

November 22, 2020 – Reign of Christ Sunday

Prelude

Greeting

Opening Song (Instrumental)

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Liturgist #1: Come, God is seeking to gather us together. Like a shepherd searching for lost sheep, God calls us.

Liturgist #2: Something or someone has summoned us here. Dare we believe that God knows and welcomes us?

Liturgist #1: God reaches out to rescue all who have strayed. Scattered, weak, and injured ones are drawn to God.

Liturgist #2: We come, in need of healing, seeking a blessing. Our faith draws us here, in spite of our doubts.

Liturgist #1: Come, above all else, to worship and give thanks. Make a joyful noise to the Creator of all worlds.

Liturgist #2: God's steadfast love becomes real to us here. We are reminded of God's immeasurable greatness.

Song (Instrumental)

Confession of Sin

All-knowing God, you are aware of our comfort-seeking weakness. We ignore strangers in need as if they were no concern of ours. We resist programs that might threaten our privileges. We do only enough good to keep us from feeling guilty. We give grudgingly of our time and resources, instead of overflowing with thanksgiving and joyous sharing. We treat the church as our possession rather than letting Christ rule as head of the body. O God, we pray we have not wandered beyond your reach. Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

Gloria Patri (Instrumental)

Old Testament Lesson – Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Children's Sermon

Song (Recorded) – "Jesus Christ Is Lord" by the Christian Central Academy Praise Ensemble

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Epistle Lesson – Ephesians 1:15-23

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Lord's Prayer

Offering

Gospel Lesson – Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon

Song (Instrumental)

Benediction

Postlude