

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 22, 2026 10:00 am

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*please rise as you are able, in body or spirit.
Liturgists for today's worship are Marya Katz and Liz Allen.

GATHERING MUSIC

WELCOME AND CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH

This is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP*

The Lord God is our shepherd.
We are the people of God's pasture,
the sheep of God's hand.
God will seek the lost, feed the hungry, and strengthen the weak.
But the proud and power-hungry
will be fed with justice.

HYMN* *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* 263

PRAYER OF PRAISE*

ADVENT

Dates of the Season: Advent is the four weeks, including the four Sundays, before Christmas Day.
Colors for the Season: The color is purple, which symbolizes both penitence and royalty (sometimes blue).

SCRIPTURE – Isaiah 40:3-5

HYMN* *"Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus," v. 2* *82*
Born thy people to deliver, born a child and yet a king,
Born to reign in us forever, now thy gracious kingdom bring.
By thine own eternal Spirit rule in all our hearts alone;
By thine all sufficient merit raise us to thy glorious throne.

CHRISTMAS

Dates of the Season: Christmas Season begins with Christmas Eve or Christmas Day and continues through the Day of Epiphany, January 6.
Colors for the Season: White and gold

SCRIPTURE – Luke 2:1-7

HYMN* *"Joy to the World," v. 1, 2* 134
Joy to the World, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her king;
Let every heart prepare him room,
And heaven and nature sing (x 3)

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns. Let all their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy (x 3)

TIME WITH CHILDREN

EPIPHANY

Celebration of Epiphany: If January 6 falls on a weekday, churches may celebrate Epiphany on the Sunday before or after.
Colors for Epiphany: White and gold.

HYMN* "*We Three Kings of Orient Are," v. 1* 151

We three kings of Orient are; bearing gifts we traverse afar,
Field and fountain, moor and mountain,
following yonder star.
O star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright,
Westward leading, still proceeding,
guide us to thy perfect light.

Lent

Days of Lent: Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the Saturday before Easter. Lent lasts forty days, not counting Sundays. Sundays aren't counted because Sunday always celebrates Jesus' victory over sin and death.
The Color for Lent: Purple, a royal color that also signifies penitence and preparation.

SCRIPTURE – Matthew 16:21-23

HYMN* *"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," v. 4* 224

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.

Good Friday

The Date of Good Friday: Good Friday is the Friday before Easter.
Colors for Good Friday: The worship space is either void of decoration and color, or black is used.

CONFESSION OF SIN (UNISON)

Sovereign God, we are not ready for your holy kingdom. You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead. You love and feed and care for us, but we fail to love and serve others. Forgive us, merciful God, and restore us, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence, for the sake of the Lamb upon the throne.

(silence)

Lord have mercy. Christ have mercy.
Lord have mercy. Kyrie eleison. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON / PASSING OF THE PEACE*

RESPONSE TO PARDON 267, V. 1

Come, Christians, join to sing: Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King: Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
Praise is his gracious choice: Alleluia! Amen!

OFFERING OF MUSIC Adult Choir

"Christ the King"

EASTER

Date of Easter: Easter Sunday is the first Sunday after the full moon that occurs on or next after March 21, the spring equinox. Easter can be any time from March 22 through April 25. The date may differ in Orthodox Churches. The Easter season lasts until Pentecost, and is sometimes called "The Great Fifty Days."
Colors for the Easter Season: White and gold

SCRIPTURE – Luke 24:1-9

HYMN* *"Jesus Christ is Risen Today," v. 1* 232

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

PENTECOST

Date of Pentecost: The fiftieth day after Easter.
Colors for Pentecost: Red or red on white. Red, the color of fire, represents the Holy Spirit.

HYMN *"On Pentecost They Gathered," v, 1* 289

On Pentecost they gathered quite early in the day,
A band of Christ's disciples, to worship, sing, and pray.
A mighty wind came blowing, filled all the swirling air,
And tongues of fire a-glowing inspired each person there.

SEASON OF PENTECOST/ORDINARY TIME

Dates of the Season: From the day after Pentecost through the Saturday before the first Sunday in Advent. Some Sundays following Epiphany and before Lent are considered Ordinary Time.
Colors for the Season: The basic color is green, symbolizing growth in Christ. White is used on Trinity Sunday, All Saints Day, and Christ the King Sunday.

MEDITATION *"So, you are a king?"* Jan McGilliard

SAYING WHAT WE BELIEVE *(from "A Declaration of Faith")*

In Christ the new world has already broken in and the old can no longer be tolerated.
We know our efforts cannot bring in God's kingdom. But hope plunges us into the struggle for victories over evil that are possible now.

Hope gives us courage and energy to contend against all opposition, however invincible it may seem, for the new world and the new humanity that are surely coming.
Jesus is Lord! He has been Lord from the beginning. He will be Lord at the end. Even now he is Lord.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE/LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

CHRIST THE KING

Date of the Season: The Sunday before the Season of Advent begins, and the last Sunday of the Season of Pentecost.
Colors for the Season: Gold and white

HYMN* *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"* 268

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION*

CHORAL RESPONSE, #363,* v. 1 Congregation and Choir

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore.
Lift up your heart; lift up your voice!
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

FELLOWSHIP TIME - All are welcome!
SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES
DEACON MEETING – 12:00 NOON

We thank Jan McGilliard, a commissioned lay pastor and member of Blacksburg Presbyterian Church, for leading our worship today.

Please be in prayer for:

Jamie Zeiger, a close friend of Megan McCoy		Carolmae Katz
Cathy Hershfield – Liz Warriner's friend		Forest Arnold
Our Monday Night Congregation		Mary Rhodes
Cathy Little (Ann Marie's sister)		Betty Manus
Erwin Michael & Durwood Michael		Deanie Heath
Alex C's father & Uncle		Brenda Payne
Kayla Parrish - Traci's niece		Betsy Hoyle
Lindsay Salany – Heidi & Bruce's niece		Margaret Bender
Robyn Gregg – Heidi's sister		Shirley Larson
Lea & Ricky Teasdale		Christy Knox
Rosemary Sowers Kesling		Wes Dickerson
Jan and Leon Geyer	Elnathan Rathjen	Laura Hayden
Keith Wright	Michael Schreiber	Asa Peeples
Susan Strudwick - Jane's sister		Bob Studor
Giovanna, Bruna, and Danila Elilhares		
The Webster Family		

The flowers were provided by Alex and Marshall Chaney.
Musician: Pat Fullen
Audio/Video Technicians – Marshall Chaney, Alex Chaney

The Officer on Call from Nov. 22 – 28 is Joe. He can be reached at 540-808-3872.

November 22 – Christ the King Sunday
10:00 Worship, Jan McGilliard preaching
11:00 Fellowship
11:15 Sunday School
12:00 Deacon Meeting

November 24
3:30 p.m. – Northside at the Blacksburg Interfaith Food Pantry

November 25
7:30 p.m. – Choir Practice

November 29 – 1st Sunday of Advent
10:00 Worship
11:00 Fellowship
11:15 Sunday School

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Sue Bentley. clerk

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