Westminster Presbyterian Church

2110 Sheridan Blvd. Lincoln, NE

Live Streamed on November 21, 2021 Reign of Christ Sunday

Prelude

Improvisation on 'Crown Him with Many Crowns'
John Ross, organ

Welcome

Rev. Chris Peters

Please sign and pass the friendship pad.

Call to Worship (Psalm 95:1-3 Common English Bible)

Deacon Jim Kinkennon

One: O come, let us sing to the Lord;

All: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

One: Let us come into God's presence with thanksgiving;

All: Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

One: For the Lord is a great God;

All: A great ruler over heaven and earth!

Special Music: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

Susan Zander, soloist

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall; Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!

O seed of Israel's chosen race, now ransomed from the fall, Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!

Let every tongue and every tribe, responsive to his call, To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all!

Oh, that with all the sacred throng we at his feet may fall! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.

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Call to Confession Deacon Jim Kinkennon

Time of Silent Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Holy One, we dare to call you Lord, but yield to you only pieces of our lives. You invite us to abundant life, yet we waste hours of our days. You call us to love our neighbor, yet we avoid learning their stories. You welcomed children, yet we tell them to be quiet. You ushered in a kingdom open to all nations, yet we put our faith in national politics before our faith in the Lord of all Creation. Lord, restore us with your grace once again. Re-center us, so that we may be people who embrace you and the call you place in our lives. In Christ's name we pray, Amen.

Assurance of Forgiveness

... Believe and share the good news!

In Jesus Christ, we are a new creation!

Passing of the Peace

Please greet those around you with a wave, peace sign, or by making eye contact repeating this response:

May the peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Children's Chat

Trish Souliere

(Children in Grades 1-5 are invited to come to Faith Village following the Children's Chat or to find and sit with their parents. Parents can pick up their children in Faith Village following the service.)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture

Hebrew Scriptures 2 Samuel 23:1-7 O.T. pg. 299 Gospel Lesson John 18:33-37 N.T. pg. 113

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon "A Mystery in Our Own Words"

Rev. Chris Peters

Special Music: "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus"

by Hayes Susan Zander, soloist

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! His the scepter, His the throne.

Alleluia! His the triumph, His the victory alone.

Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood.

Jesus, out of every nation, has redeemed us by His blood.

Alleluia! Not as orphans are we left in sorrow now.

Alleluia! He is near us; faith believes, nor questions how.

Though the clouds from sight received Him when the forty days were o'er,

Shall our hearts forget His promise: "I am with you evermore"?

Alleluia! Bread of Heaven, You on earth our food and stay!

Alleluia! Here the sinful flee to You from day to day.

Intercessor, Friend of sinners, earth's Redeemer, plead for me,

Where the songs of all the sinless sweep across the crystal sea.

Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed 1.2)

Deacon Jim Kinkennon

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

The Lord's Supper

Invitation

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

The 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.

Communion of the People

Prayer After Communion

Charge & Benediction

Rev. Chris Peters

Postlude

"Now Thank We All Our God" by Karg-Elert John Ross, organ