

***The Peace of Christ**

Pastor: The peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

***Sending**

Pastor Luke Schmalz

***Postlude:** David VandenBelt

Looking Ahead - December Special Music/Service

Dec 1 - Leslie Anderson

Dec 8 - Stacey, Martha, Jack

Dec 15 - Jean Howarth

Dec 22 - Drama - Mat Emerick

Dec 24 - Christmas Eve 6:30 p.m.

Dec 31 - Stacey, Martha, Jack



Deeply Rooted ~ Future Focused

Pastor Luke Schmalz

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Offering plates are located in the narthex.

The First Congregational Church

Your Independent Worship Center



Christ

THE

King

SUNDAY

November 24, 2024

The Order of Worship
**please stand, if you are able*

Prelude: David VandenBelt

Welcome

Announcements

Call to Worship (Psalm 93)

Pastor: The Lord is king, he is robed in majesty; the Lord is robed, he is girded with strength. He has established the world; it shall never be moved;

All: your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

Pastor: The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring. More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea, majestic on high is the Lord!

All: Your decrees are very sure; holiness befits your house, O Lord, forevermore. Praise the Lord!

Opening Prayer

***Opening Hymn** -“O Worship the King”- **Blue Hymnal #104** vs 1,2,5

Prayer of Confession

All: Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prayer

Pastor: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Pastor: Hear the good news! O God Most High! Everlasting Lord, mighty and lifted up! Grant us your Holy Spirit, that in these

words of Holy Scripture our hearts might be lifted up and our minds set on heavenly realities, that contemplating the reign of our ascended Lord we might long to be with him and enter into the joy of his eternal kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Response** - Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

JeLy Bell! All kids are invited to go to the JeLy Room for JeLY Church!

(JeLy ~ Jesus Loves You)

Scripture:

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14, Revelation 1:4b-8, John 18:33-37

Reader: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God.

Message: “The King and His Kingdom” - **Pastor Luke Schmalz**

***The Apostles’ Creed** (words projected)

***Hymn** - “Rejoice, the Lord is King” - **Blue Hymnal #370** vs 1,2,4

Moments of Praise & Prayer Requests

Prayers of the Congregation

The Lord’s Prayer (words projected)

***Doxology** (As the offering is brought forward)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** - “Majesty” - **Blue Hymnal #10**

Benediction

Pastor: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first born of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.

All: Amen

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Our Church News

Altar Rep: Jim Rynberg

Greeting us today: Pat Krehn

Next Sunday: Brad & Stacey Church

Song Leader: Stacey Church

Tech Booth - Thank you volunteers! Garrett, Robin, Lou, Kendra

Happy Birthday to ~

Loretta VanDuzen (21), Dougan Church, Kyle Parks (25), David White (29)

Happy Anniversary to ~

Prayer Requests ~

This Weeks Calendar

Sunday, November 24 - Christ the King Sunday

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 p.m. "The Chosen" season 4 - Library (note location)

Monday, November 25

- 9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered
- 6:30 p.m. Executive Council - Library

Tuesday, November 26 - Church Office Closed

Wednesday, November 27

- 9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Fellowship Hall
- 10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

Thursday, November 28 - Church Office Closed

Thanksgiving Day

Friday, November 29

- 9:30 a.m. Men's Coffee Time - Library
- 10:00 a.m. Woodshop Open - when two or three are gathered

Saturday, November 30

Sunday, December 1 - First Sunday of Advent

- 10:00 a.m. Worship
- 11:15 a.m. Fellowship Hour - Fellowship Hall
- 5:00 p.m. "The Chosen" season 4 - Fellowship Hall

Welcome to worship! We are grateful for your presence - whether you are a visitor or a member. Friends and guests, welcome to worship in the name of Jesus, who is both Savior and Friend and who welcomes all.

Fall/Thanksgiving In-gathering ... thank you!, Women's Fellowship for organizing this activity, and thank you!, Congregants for your contributions. The weight of the food donated to True North's Pantry Program was 105#. The \$75 you gave will buy 375 pounds of food. Thanks to your generosity, True North received 1/4 of a ton (480#) of food for the needy. I'm reminded of Matthew 25:21 ... Well done good and faithful servants. Jack B.

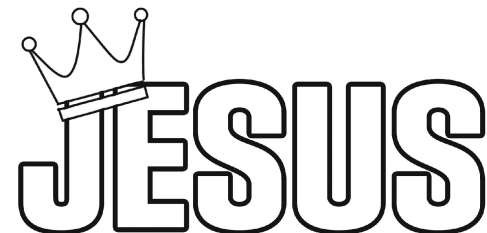
Thank you for your birthday greetings by calls, cards and emails. I appreciated and am grateful for each one. Sally DeShetler

Saturday, December 7 - two weeks away! Our ladies have been busy making crafts all year long. Pass the word and let your friends know our sale will be from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Plum Pudding needs your help! You have been generous in the past with your baked goods and specialty items. Please consider helping us again. In accordance with the State of Michigan Food Requirements the required list of food items that can be made for Plum Pudding can be found in the November Carillon.

Requested Announcements

Advent Celebration - Come and See ~ Go and Tell presented by the River County Community Choir Sunday, Dec 1, 3:00 p.m. at the First Christian Reformed Church, 721 Hillcrest. The choir consists of residents of Newaygo County representing over 15 area churches. Directed by Aileen Matheson. Join us on this first Sunday of Advent begin your Christmas Season with the Christmas music sung by the choir. A free will offering will be received. David White is a participant.



Christmas Craft Sale and Plum Pudding Shoppe
Saturday, Dec 7
10:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m.