

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
ROSWELL, NEW MEXICO

THE SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 26, 2017, 10:00 A.M.

GATHERING

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHIMES

PRELUDE

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” (Hughes)

CALL TO WORSHIP

From Psalm 95

(A responsive reading: the people speak the words in **bold print**.)

O come, let us sing to the Lord;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

For the Lord is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,

and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

O come, let us worship and bow down,

let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

***OPENING HYMN #263**

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” (Holden)

***OPENING PRAYER**

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy One, we confess today that we excel at elevating lesser things and neglecting Christ, our only Sovereign. We become distracted and sidetracked by trivial matters; we forget our calling as disciples of Jesus. We forget his essential instruction to care for those among us who are hungry, thirsty, lonely, naked, sick, and imprisoned. Forgive our neglect of first things, we pray. Forgive our inattention to the One who has redeemed us from death and

sin: the one who is far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named. Move us to act with intention on his directive to care for those around us in need. We pray in the name of Christ, our King. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel!
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

***GLORY BE TO THE FATHER #581**

Gloria Patri (*Greatorex*)

**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.**

***PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Please exchange these words with your neighbors: “The peace of the Lord be with you.” “And also with you.”

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Ezekiel 34:11-24

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

Ephesians 1:15-23

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

“Praise My Soul, The King of Heaven” (Mueller)

***READING FROM THE GOSPELS**

Matthew 25:31-46

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

A MOMENT FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

SERMON

“The King’s Separation”

***HYMN #363**

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!” (Darwall)

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

From *The Heidelberg Catechism* (1563)

Q. Why is he called CHRIST, that is, the ANOINTED ONE?

A. **Because he is ordained by God the Father and anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief *Prophet* and Teacher, fully revealing to us the secret purpose and will of God concerning our redemption; to be our only *High Priest*, having redeemed us by the one sacrifice of his body and ever interceding for us with the Father; and to be our eternal *King*, governing us by his Word and Spirit, and defending and sustaining us in the redemption he has won for us.**

SHARING OF PRAYER REQUESTS

PASTORAL PRAYER

RETURNING TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO GOD

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Alleluia” (Sinclair)

***PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM ALL BLESSINGS FLOW #606**

(Genevan Psalter)

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

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION

OUR LORD’S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
holy is your name;
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen.**

SENDING

***CLOSING HYMN #267**

“Come, Christians, Join to Sing”
(Spanish Folk Melody)

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

***POSTLUDE**

*Please stand if you are able where asterisks are printed.