

**HEBRON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**  
**Order of Service for the Worship of God**

November 26, 2017

*Christ the King / Reign of Christ Sunday*

11:00 A.M.

PRELUDE

Carolyn Wallace

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP

*He Is Exalted*

Chancel Choir

**\*RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP** ~ Psalm 95: 1-3, 6-7a

L: 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!

**P: 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!**

L: O come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**P: For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

**\*UNISON OPENING PRAYER** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**Eternal Father, God of power and love, you raised Jesus from death to life, resplendent in glory to rule over all creation. Free the world to rejoice in his peace, to glory in his justice, and to live in his love. Unite all humanity in Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you, and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

**\*HYMN**

*O Worship the King*

**#104**

**RESPONSIVE CALL TO CONFESSION** ~ John 3: 16-17

L: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

**P: For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION** ~ From the PCUSA *Book of Common Worship*

**Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and we are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, honoring those economic and cultural structures to which we submit. We neglect our commitment to you, and we fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim Jesus as ruler of all, that we may be loyal disciples, obedient to the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

*(Silent prayer and personal confession)*

**RESPONSIVE ASSURANCE OF PARDON** ~ 1 John 2: 1c-2

L: If anyone sins, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous;

**P: And he is the expiation for our sins, and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.**

L: Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**P: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!**

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

**#813**

ANTHEM

*Festival Canticle: Worthy is Christ*

Chancel Choir

CHILDREN'S LESSON ~ *Children through 5th grade may go to Junior Church afterward*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

GOSPEL LESSON ~ Matthew 13: 24-30, 36-43 ~ Pages 847-848 in the pew Bible

Another parable he [Jesus] put before them [his disciples and the crowd], saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man who sowed good seed in his field; but while everyone was sleeping, his enemy came and sowed weeds [tares] among the wheat, and went away. So when the wheat came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared also. And the servants of the householder came and said to him, 'Sir, did you not sow good seed in your field? How then is it filled with weeds?' He said to them, 'An enemy has done this.' The servants said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?' But he said, 'No, lest in gathering the weeds, you root up the wheat along with them. Let both grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Gather the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples came to him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field." He answered, "The One who sows the good seed is the Son of humanity; the field is the world, and the good seed means the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the close of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are gathered and burned with fire, so will it be at the close of the age. The Son of humanity will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and throw them into the furnace of fire; there they will weep and gnash their teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Whoever has ears, let them hear."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON ~ Philippians 2: 1-11 ~ Page 1023 in the pew Bible

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any incentive of love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfishness or conceit, but in humility count others better than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which you have in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed

on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

L: This is the word of the Lord;

P: **Thanks be to God!**

SERMON "The Reign of Christ" Rev. Frank Wyche  
\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *The Apostles' Creed* Inside front cover of hymnal  
\*HYMN *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* #797  
OFFERING  
OFFERTORY  
\*DOXOLOGY #815  
PRAYER OF DEDICATION  
JOYS AND CONCERNS  
MORNING PRAYER  
SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER ~ *See bulletin insert*  
\*HYMN *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* #43  
\*BENEDICTION  
\*CHORAL CLOSE *O God of Love, O Prince of Peace* Chancel Choir  
POSTLUDE Carolyn Wallace

\*Those who are able may stand.

**BOLDFACE TYPE** indicates words spoken or sung by the congregation.

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Matthew 13:24-30

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