



Reign of Christ Sunday

November 23, 2025

* *Please stand if you are able*

Prelude: Prelude on "Hanover"

Gordon Young

Gathering

WELCOME & LIGHTING THE CHRIST CANDLE

Acolyte: Jesus Christ is the light of the world. We light this candle as a sign that Christ has come and Christ will come again. As the light pushes back darkness let us walk with, learn from, and worship Jesus Christ.

* CALL TO WORSHIP

Liturgist: The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.

All: For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him.

Liturgist: He is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

All: And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.

Liturgist: For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Colossians 1:18-20

* **All Singing: 219 "Jesus Shall Reign"**
Singing verses 1 – 4

- * GOD'S GREETING
- * GOD'S PEOPLE GREETING ONE ANOTHER

* **All Singing:** "Worthy is Your Name"

You are my strength when I am weak, you are the treasure that I seek,
 You are my all in all.
 Seeking you as a precious jewel, Lord to give up I'd be a fool,
 You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.
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Taking my sin, my cross my shame, rising again I bless your name,
 You are my all in all.
 When I fall down you pick me up, when I am dry you fill my cup,
 You are my all in all.

Children ages 2–7 may come forward for a brief word and blessing before they leave for "God Loves Me" and "Children in Worship."

CHILDREN'S BLESSING

Children: The peace of Christ be with you.
All: **And also with you.**

Reconciliation

Liturgist: Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

Silent Confession and Reflection

All Singing: **169 "Jesus, Remember Me"**
Repeat, following the pianist

Liturgist: But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation –

All: **Therefore, let us continue in our faith, established and firm, and be not moved from the hope held out in the gospel.**

Liturgist: This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which, Paul, became a servant.
Colossians 1:21-23 adapted

All: **Let us give joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified us to share in the inheritance of his people in the kingdom of light.**

Liturgist: For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves,

All: **in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.**
Colossians 1:12-14 adapted

* **All Singing:** **223 "Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

Liturgist: Colossians 3:12-17

Proclamation

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Soloist: "Hear God Speak"

Coleman

Listen listen.
Open your heart; hear God's voice.
Quiet quiet. Hear God speak.

Scripture: Luke 23:33-43

Minister: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: First Christian Church

* **All Singing: 157 "Meekness and Majesty"**

Dedication

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Liturgist: With joy, let us now offer our gifts, in music, heart, and resource, as a sign of our deep devotion and covenant faithfulness.

OFFERING November is Stewardship Month. Both offerings will go toward the General Fund.

OFFERTORY "Fairest Lord Jesus" arr. Bob Walters
with Adagio from Sonata Pathetique

* **All Singing: 219 "Jesus Shall Reign"**
Singing verse 4

Sending

* BENEDICTION

* **All Singing: 227 "He Is Lord"**

Postlude: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"
with "Crown Him with Many Crowns" arr. David S. Gaines

Worship Leaders

Organist / Pianist: Dora Diephouse
Pianist: Anna Triezenberg-Sims
Soloist: Marjie Coleman
Guitar: Jenson Varghese
Ukulele: Clay Carlson
Minister: Roger Nelson

Acolyte: Grant Quist
Liturgist: Steven Evenhouse
Prayer: Steve Vryhof

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