

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Christ the King Sunday

Welcome Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Prelude *Ye Servants of God* arr. Craig Curry
David Córdoba Hernandez, *pianist*

Call to Worship from *The Kingdom of God* James Aycock

Leader: The Kingdom of God is justice and joy;

All: For Jesus restores what sin would destroy.

Leader: God's power and glory in Jesus we know;

All: And here and hereafter the kingdom shall grow.

Invocation James Aycock

* Hymn of Praise 579 *Shine, Jesus Shine* SHINE

Children's Sermon Rev. Holly Hatton

Old Testament Reading James Aycock

Psalm 121
(page 537 in the pew Bible)

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God
among us, for the Word of God within us . . .

All: Thanks be to God.

Missions Moment Rachel Coates Greer

Moment of Gratitude Rev. Ray Hatton

Choral Worship *Lead On, O King Eternal* Henry Smart
The Sanctuary Choir
(The text can be found in Hymn 621)

* Congregational Response *Doxology* OLD 100TH

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ all creatures here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God whom we adore. Amen.***

Epistle Reading Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

1 Corinthians 11:23-33
(page 995 in the pew Bible)

Leader: For the Word of God in Scripture, for the Word of God
among us, for the Word of God within us . . .

All: Thanks be to God.

Prayer of Preparation Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

**Almighty God, to You all hearts are open, all desires known, and
from You no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love
You, and worthily magnify Your holy name, through Christ our
Lord. Amen.**

Message Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

The Holiest Day of the Year

Musical Meditation *A Child is Born* Thad Jones
Roger Pace, *saxophone*

Missions Moment Keith Dunning

Prayers of the People Rev. Holly Hatton

The Lord's Prayer Rev. Holly Hatton

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

* Congregational Response 252 GLORIA PATRI

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.***

Invitation to Discipleship Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

Hymn of Response 586 *We've A Story to Tell* MESSAGE

The Welcoming of New Members

**In response to your decision, we pledge ourselves to be the family of God for
you in this place; we offer you our love, our care, our kinship, and our hopes.
We hope to learn from you, give to you, and receive from you, by God's grace.**

Commission and Blessing James Aycock

Leader: God's kingdom is come, the gift and the goal;
In Jesus begun, in heaven made whole.

All: The heirs of the king shall answer his call.

* Benediction Rev. Dr. Kathryn Kimmel

* Postlude arr. Humphtre Turner

We've a Story to Tell
Aaron Foster, *organist*

***Per the policy of FBC, masks must be worn over the mouth and nose at
all times in the building. Thank you.***

Today's worship participants are Roger Pace our musical soloist, James
Aycock, chair of the Missions committee, Rachel Coates Greer from Rachel's
Kids and Keith Dunning from Lifeline to Success.

Harold Weaver is today's audio tech volunteer and Skip Howard is today's
video recording volunteer.

THE CHRISTIAN YEAR

Today marks the last day of the Christian Year, connecting the end of
the year to its beginning and foreshadowing the role of the Messiah for
whom we wait. On this day, as on all days, we proclaim Christ as the
ruler over all; the one to whom we pledge our allegiance and seek to
follow. On this Sunday before the season of Advent, we are reminded
under the reign of Christ, for which we wait, peace and justice rule.