



Reign of Christ Sunday  
November 24, 2024  
Worship begins at 11 a.m.



*Baptism of Jesus, Lorenzo Scott*

# Gathering Around the Word

Prelude

*Darwall's 148th*  
Gwyn Bacon, organ

arr. Charles Callahan

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

Ringling of the Bell

*As the tower bell rings, may it call out to the city and the world that Central Presbyterian Church is worshipping God.*

✠ Call to Worship Rev. Kate Culver

We come to worship God, the Eternal King - who is robed in majesty and light.

**We come in quiet, awed wonder and praise before our Glorious God and King.**

We come to praise God, the Glorious King - who is robed in holy righteousness.

**We come in humility, receiving God's Sovereign grace.**

We come and reverently marvel that the Lord our God, who is forever robed in power and mercy – welcomes and accepts our prayers.

**We come, to worship our Creator, who has created all things for and in love.**

✠ Hymn 264 KING'S WESTON

*At the Name of Jesus*

✠ Call to Confession

✠ Prayer of Confession

**You, God, are our one and only King.**

**We beg your forgiveness for the other “kings” that we kneel before:**

**money...**

**power...**

**gossip...**

**self righteousness...**

**racial privilege...**

**We beg your forgiveness, we who are broken and torn apart by our own doings and un-doings. Guide us to be your servants. Lead us to trust in you as the only king we need.**

**Direct our faith in your sovereign power as we strive to follow your Son, through the power of your Holy Spirit, we pray ... (Silent Confession) Amen.**

✠ Assurance of Pardon  
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

✠ Passing of the Peace

✠ Hymn 415 RESTORATION

*Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Needy*

**Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome;  
God's free bounty glorify,  
true belief and true repentance,  
every grace that brings you nigh.**

**I will arise and go to Jesus;  
he will embrace me in his arms.  
In the arms of my dear Savior,  
O there are ten thousand charms.**

## Proclaiming the Word

Prayer for Illumination

John Blake

First Lesson

Psalm 93

Second Lesson

John 18:33-37

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

Sermon

## Responding to the Word

✠ Hymn 800

*Sometimes a Light Surprises*

SALLEY GARDENS

The Sacrament of Baptism

Adrian Khan Miller,  
child of Ryun Miller and Antoinette Ngyuen;  
grandchild of Jerry and Debbie Miller

✠ Affirmation of Faith

APOSTLES CREED, TRADITIONAL

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn 306

*Blest Be the Tie That Binds*  
verses 1, 2 and 5

DENNIS

**Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love.  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.**

**Before our Maker's throne we pour our ardent prayers.  
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one, our comforts and our cares.**

**From sorrow, toil, and pain, and sin we shall be free; and  
perfect love and friendship reign through all eternity.**

Offertory Sentence

Kimberly Parker

Music at the Offertory

*How Great Thou Art*  
Janet Abercrombie, soloist, Gwyn Bacon, piano

arr. Lloyd Larson

✠ At the Presentation

*Doxology*

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia**

✠ Prayer of Dedication

Kimberly Parker

✠ Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer  
TRADITIONAL

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors;  
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

# Bearing and Following the Word into the World

✠ Hymn 265

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun*

DUKE STREET

✠ Charge and Benediction

Rev. Shannon J. Kershner

Postlude

*Trumpet Voluntary*  
Gwyn Bacon, organ

John Stanley

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## Special Participants in Today's Worship

Organist: Gwyn Bacon  
Soloist: Janet Abercrombie  
Lector: John Blake  
Tower Bell Ringer: Althea Brown  
Deacon of the Day: Ellen Thompson  
Dean Hammond, Volunteer Technology Director

### Hospitality Team

Beth Grashof  
Martha Haythorn  
Kathy Kohn  
Norm Kohn  
Kathy McCloud

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