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from an usher.**

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are able.**

November 24, 2024

11:00am

Tower Chimes

Sarah & Danny Collier

Music to Gather:

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

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*** Welcome**

Call to Worship from Psalm 24

One: The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in it, for God has founded it on the seas and established it on the rivers.

All: Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!

One: Who is the King of glory? The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle.

All: Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in!

One: Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

All: Let us shout with praise, for the King of glory reigns on high!

Hymn #300 “Jesus Shall Reign”

Profession of Faith

One: No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here! Let us come before Christ, the King of the Universe, to profess our belief in his salvation!

All: Jesus Christ, today we profess our belief in you and celebrate your kingship over the entire universe. Where other kings may rule as tyrants, you rule in love. You welcome us as members of your holy family, elevating us to become royal and holy. Help us to share the good news of your love with the world.

**Help us to be your hands and feet,
moving and working in the world. Make
us to be your blessed kingdom on earth
as it is in heaven. Amen.**

Confession Response

♪ Hymn #412, Verse 3

**O fearful saints, fresh courage take,
The clouds you so much dread
Are big with mercy and shall break
In blessings on your head.**

Assurance of Grace

One: When we come before Christ to
profess our belief in all he has said and
done, we are met with love and grace
abounding!

All: “For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve and to give his life a ransom for many.” -Mark 10:45

Response to Words of Assurance

♪ Hymn #49, Verse 3

Who is life in life to me?

Who the death of death will be?

Faith in Christ who died to save,

Christ who triumphed o’er the grave,

Jesus Christ, the crucified.

Dedication of Pledge Cards

Scriptures Becky Bronfenbrenner

John 18:33-37 (page 877)

Revelation 1:4b-8 (page 1001)

Congregational Response 🎵

***Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me;
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on me.***

Children's Moment

Sermon: "Christ the King"

Rev. Becky Sausser

Hymn #305 "You Servants of God,
Your Sovereign Proclaim"

(Note: Ushers will collect "Prayer Cards" during this time. Prayer cards are in the pews. We invite you to fill one out if you have a joy or prayer request to share.)

Morning Prayer & Lord's Prayer

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.

Prayer Response 🎵 Hymn #518, Verse 2

Christ of compassion,

Carry all who seek you

To pastures green

beside the peaceful waters;

Most tender guide,

in ways of cheerful duty

Lead us, good Shepherd.

Chancel Choir:

“Oh, Lord, You Are My God and My King”

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Announcements

Jeff Rissell

Offering

Offertory “For the Fruit of All Creation”

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*Doxology 

**Praise God from whom all blessings
flow;**

Praise God all creatures here below;

Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

*** Hymn #303**

“Rejoice, Give Thanks and Sing”

* Commission and Blessing

***Threefold Amen**

Amen, Amen, Amen

Music to go forth: “Lift High the Cross”
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In emergencies, please use exits found to the left and right of the altar, to the right of the front pew, and at the rear of the sanctuary. Follow **EXIT** signs

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here.

God is still speaking, ...

Serving St. John's...

- Rev. Becky Sausser.....Pastor
- Lois Mease... Music Director and Organist
- April Riddick.....Custodian
- Jim Saylor.....Sunday Sexton

And too many volunteers to list!

Office Hours

Sunday: 9am-2pm

Monday-Thursday: 9am-3pm

Closed on Fridays and Saturdays