



SUN 8:15 AM  
NOVEMBER 24, 2024

**Worship Service** for THE LORD'S DAY  
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

**FOX CHAPEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

## Welcome to Worship

Words printed in **bold** are for the congregation to speak in unison.

\* An invitation to rise in body or spirit.

### PRELUDE

### WELCOME AND INVITATIONS

Rev. Ginger Thomas

### CALL TO WORSHIP AND OPENING PRAYER

Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice!

**Christ will reign forever and ever.**

The Lord is robed in majesty and girded in strength.

**Christ will reign forever and ever.**

God has established the world, and God's realm will never be shaken.

**Christ will reign forever and ever.**

God will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

**Christ will reign forever and ever.**

The kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord.

**Christ will reign forever and ever.**

Let us pray:

**Eternal God, you set Jesus Christ to rule over all things, and made us servants in your kingdom. By your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to minister to all in need. Then at the last, bring us to your eternal realm where we may worship and adore you, and be welcomed into your everlasting joy. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.**

### \*HYMN 268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

### INVITATION TO SILENT PRAYER AND CONFESSION

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us; raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

#### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God has rescued us from the power of evil and claimed us for the realm of Jesus Christ, in whom we have redemption. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Thanks be to God!**

#### \*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

*All are invited to exchange signs of reconciliation and peace with others.*

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS

Psalm 132 (OT, pg. 574)

John 18:33-37 (NT, pg. 113)

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Another Overstory?

Rev. Roger Owens

OFFERING

Rev. Rebecca DePoe

*Please complete a connect card and place it in the offering plate.*

### INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

*This is Christ's table, and all who seek to follow Christ are welcome at this table, regardless of their age or understanding. Parents are encouraged to bring their children to participate in the sacrament. The opportunity to eat and drink with Christ is not a right bestowed upon the worthy but a privilege given to the undeserving who come in faith, repentance, and love.*

### GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Glory and dominion be to you, Lord God...

...we rejoice to sing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

God of truth, your Son came to testify to you...

...Great is the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died; Christ is risen; Christ will come again.**

God of all beginnings and endings...

...ever one God, Father Son, and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

### THE 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.**

### SHARING THE BREAD AND CUP

*Today we will receive communion by intinction. Starting with the front row, come forward by the middle aisle with open hands. Receive a piece of bread, dip it into the juice, and eat. Gluten-free sealed elements are available on the table.*

### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

**God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE**

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## Participants Today

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