

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

November 21, 2021

Christ The King Sunday

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

Liturgist, Sharon Bryant

CALL TO WORSHIP — based on Psalm 24:7-8, 10

Leader: Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

**People: Who is this King of glory?
The LORD Almighty—
he is the King of glory.**

***OPENING HYMN #135** Come, Thou Long Expected Jesus

*OPENING PRAYER

*SONG

As It Is In Heaven

GUIDED PRAYER

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** — Westminster Confession of Faith 8.1
We believe that in his eternal purpose it pleased God to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the mediator between God and man. Jesus is the prophet, priest, and king, the head and savior of his church, the heir of all things, and judge of the world. From all eternity God gave him a people to be his seed and to be in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified by him. Amen.

ANTHEM "Come With Thanksgiving" Larson & Stewart

FOR OUR GUESTS: WELCOME TO NORTHMINSTER EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

We are glad you are here. We hope the information listed on these pages will help you choose your next steps in connecting at Northminster. If you need help finding anything or have questions, just ask an usher or the pastor. To learn more about activities here, please pick up our newsletter from the rack in the hallway or foyer table. You can also learn more about us on our website: www.npcmh.com, and on Facebook: www.facebook.com/npcmh.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21

Today:

9:45 am – Adult Sunday School

11 am – Worship

12:15 pm – Congregational Meeting

6:30 pm – Sunday Night Live (Grades 4-12)

Tuesday, November 23:

12 pm - Lynchburg Daily Bread Meal Distribution

Thursday, November 25:

Happy Thanksgiving!

Saturday, November 27:

9:00 am – Hanging of the Greens

Sunday, November 28 (First Sunday in Advent):

9:45 am – Adult Sunday School

11 am – Worship

6:30 pm – Sunday Night Live

NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children are welcomed in the service. A nursery is provided for infants – 4 years. Others needing childcare may leave worship after the ANTHEM.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING – SUNDAY NOV. 21 @ 12:15 PM

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, November 21 immediately following the worship service for the purpose of electing elders for the class of 2024 and approving the Pastor's Terms of Call for 2022. The nominees for elder are Liz Boothe and Debbie Irvine. The meeting will not be broadcast online.

HANGING OF THE GREENS – SATURDAY NOV. 27 @ 9AM

You're invited to help us "hang the greens" and decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas seasons on Saturday, November 27. We'll provide the coffee, donuts and decorations. Help us get into the spirit of the season by festooning the church together. We look forward to seeing you there.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR JESUS – SUNDAY, DEC. 19

Join us after worship on Sunday December 19 as we celebrate Jesus' birthday together! Bring your favorite cookies or dessert to share. We'll have an Ugly Christmas Sweater Contest, so be sure to wear your ugliest Christmas sweater to church that morning. We look forward to celebrating with you and seeing what sweaters you have!

CHRISTMAS CHEER BOX COLLECTION – NOVEMBER

November is dried goods month- canned meat and cereal. If you would like to contribute to the Community Christmas Cheer Boxes, there will be a bin by the front door for your contribution.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us in the Fellowship Hall from 9:45-10:45 as we explore God's Word together and are encouraged in our walk with the Lord. We're looking forward to seeing you then!

PASTOR'S MIDWEEK BIBLE STUDY - WEDNESDAY @ 10:30 AM

Join us in person or online for a midweek bible study with Pastor David! We are currently working through the Book of Hebrews, with a focus on learning to study the Bible ourselves and apply it to our daily lives. We look forward to seeing you there!

ELDERS AVAILABLE FOR PRAYER FOLLOWING WORSHIP

In James 5:13-14 we read, "*Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise. Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord.*" Each Sunday, two elders will be available in the New Song room following worship for anyone who needs or would like prayer.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

WORSHIPING GOD WITH OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory

*Response – O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord.

***Prayer of Dedication**

OLD TESTAMENT READING:

Psalm 99:1-4

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Revelation 11:15-18

Pastor: The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

SERMON:

“The Desire of Nations”

SERIES: O COME, EMMANUEL

The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever. – Revelation 11:15

***CLOSING HYMN #745**

Jesus Shall Reign

***BENEDICTION**

***POSTLUDE**

***Please Stand**

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Pastor, David Garrison

ELDERS

Ron Reyburn,
John Lange, George Brine,
Sharon Bryant, Judy Reyburn,
Michael Babcock,
Maggie Brockman

Bob Mills, Director of Music

Liz Boothe, Organist

**Sharon Bryant, Sunday School
Superintendent**

Vonnie Rucker, Treasurer

SERMON NOTES, November 21

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*Experiencing and sharing God's love
to transform our homes, community and world.*

- ¹ The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!
He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!
- ² The LORD is great in Zion;
he is exalted over all the peoples.
- ³ Let them praise your great and awesome name!
Holy is he!
- ⁴ The King in his might loves justice.
You have established equity;
you have executed justice
and righteousness in Jacob.
- ⁵ Exalt the LORD our God;
worship at his footstool!
Holy is he!

Psalm 99:1-4 (ESV)

¹⁵ Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying, “The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he shall reign forever and ever.” ¹⁶ And the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshiped God, ¹⁷ saying,

“We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty,

who is and who was,

for you have taken your great power

and begun to reign.

¹⁸ The nations raged,

but your wrath came,

and the time for the dead to be judged,

and for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints,

and those who fear your name,

both small and great,

and for destroying the destroyers of the earth.”

Revelation 11:15-18 (ESV)