

READINGTON REFORMED CHURCH

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CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
November 25, 2007
11:00 a.m.

THE APPROACH TO GOD

+Announcements

Prelude

Moment of Silence

Call to Worship

Psalm 46

Leader: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea; though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

Leader: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High. God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns. The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; God utters His voice, the earth melts.

People: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Leader: Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations He has brought on the earth.

People: He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; He burns the shields with fire.

Leader: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."

ALL: The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

*+Hymn of Praise #18 (RIL) "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

Prayer of Confession

Psalm 46

Leader: Lord God, You are our refuge and strength, a very present help in times of trouble, yet too often we fear every change and problem we experience.

People: Forgive us for our fear, O Lord.

Leader: You are with us, Lord God, yet too often we act as if the world provides us with refuge.

People: Forgive us when we stray, Lord, and bring us back to You.

Leader: We know how You call us to peace, yet we seek revenge and control and power.

People: Forgive us for our willfulness, O Lord.

Leader: Help us to start again, so that we are mindful of Your words to us:

People: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."

Leader: In this way we can point the way to peace and life through Your Son, Jesus, so that Your kingdom can come here on earth, as it already has in heaven.

ALL: Amen and amen.

Kyrie Eleison

Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ, have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy upon us.

Words of Assurance

Psalm 9:7-10

Summary of the Law

Psalm 119:89-96

*+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.

THE WORD OF GOD

Children's Sermon

Children in 2nd grade and under are welcome to go downstairs to the nursery at this time.

*+Hymn of Preparation

"God of the Sparrow"

(see insert)

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament

Joshua 24:16-28

p. 188

New Testament

Acts 2:37-47

p. 886

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

WHAT DOES "GIVING" LOOK LIKE?

THE RESPONSE TO THE WORD

*Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

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.

Offering (Please fill out the red pew pads at this time. Remember to PRINT your name.)

Offertory "His Eye is on the Sparrow" Charles H. Gabriel
Lydia Lelah, soprano/Jen Weber, piano

*Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below,
praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

Dedication of Gifts

Sharing of Joys and Concerns

Prayers of the Community and The Lord's Prayer

*Hymn of Dedication #61 (RIL)
"Now Thank We All Our God" NUN DANKET
Verses 1 & 2

*Benediction

*Benediction Response "Now Thank We All Our God" NUN DANKET
Verse 3

Postlude

*Congregation (those who are able) will please rise.
+Latecomers and returning worshipers may be seated.
Hymns today are from "Rejoice in the Lord".

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WORSHIP SERVICE: 11:00AM (10:00 A.M. Father's Day through Labor Day) Nursery Provided
SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:30A.M. Classes for Pre-school through adult (September through June)
Infant Nursery Provided

Our Invitation

We welcome you as we join together in prayer, in song, and in praise to God. It is our prayer that the blessing and fellowship you find here will enrich your life so that you will truly feel that you are a part of this historic, caring church. May God bless you in a very special way!

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Above all, we exist to worship God. Through the grace of God and the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we will make the love of Jesus Christ tangible by caring for one another and those around us and will go out into the world to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ

The Rev. Cathy Gumpert, Pastor
The Rev. Donald A. McCabe, Pastor Emeritus