



St Luke's Church Fontainebleau

Christ The King Worship Service

21 November 2021

Opening Hymn: The King of love my Shepherd is (SoF 533)

<p>1 <i>The King of love my Shepherd is, Whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am His and He is mine forever</i></p> <p>2 <i>Where streams of living water flow My ransomed soul he leadeth, And where the verdant pastures grow With food celestial feedeth.</i></p> <p>3 <i>Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, But yet in love he sought me, And on his shoulder gently laid, And home, rejoicing, brought me.</i></p>	<p>4 <i>In death's dark vale I fear no ill With thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me.</i></p> <p>5 <i>Thou spread'st a table in my sight; Thy unction, grace bestoweth: And O what transport of delight From thy pure chalice floweth!</i></p> <p>6 <i>And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise Within thy house for ever.</i></p>
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The greeting and introduction

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

and also with you.

Prayer of preparation

Rejoice, people of God, praise the Lord!
Let us keep the feast in honour of all God's saints,
in whose victory the angels rejoice and glorify the Son of God.

Confession

*Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.
cf Matthew 4.17*

The kingdom is yours,
but we turn away from your just rule:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

The power is yours,
but we trust in our own power and strength:
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

The glory is yours,
but we fall short of the glory of God:
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

O King enthroned on high,
filling the earth with your glory:
holy is your name,
Lord God almighty.
In our sinfulness we cry to you
to take our guilt away,
and to cleanse our lips to speak your word,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Gloria

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.

Rejoice and be glad
for you are the light of the world,
and great is your reward in heaven.

The Collect

Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen.

Hymn: King of kings, Majesty (SoF 1404)

<i>King of kings, Majesty God of Heaven living in me Gentle Saviour, closest friend Strong Deliverer, beginning and end All within me falls at Your throne Your majesty, I can but bow I lay my all before You now In royal robes I don't deserve I live to serve Your Majesty</i>	<i>Earth and Heaven worship You Love eternal, Faithful and True Who bought the nations, ransomed souls Brought this sinner near to Your throne All within me cries out in praise. Your majesty, I can but bow I lay my all before You now In royal robes I don't deserve I live to serve Your Majesty,</i>
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Liturgy of the Word

First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

9 I watched as thrones were put in place
and the Ancient One sat down to judge.
His clothing was as white as snow,
his hair like purest wool.
He sat on a fiery throne
with wheels of blazing fire,
10 and a river of fire was pouring out,
flowing from his presence.
Millions of angels ministered to him;
many millions stood to attend him.
Then the court began its session,

and the books were opened.

13 As my vision continued that night, I saw someone like a son of man coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient One and was led into his presence. **14** He was given authority, honor, and sovereignty over all the nations of the world, so that people of every race and nation and language would obey him. His rule is eternal—it will never end. His kingdom will never be destroyed.

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Response Psalm 93

The Lord is king! He is robed in majesty.

**Indeed, the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength.
The world stands firm
and cannot be shaken.**

The Lord is king! He is robed in majesty.

**Your throne, O Lord, has stood from time immemorial.
You yourself are from the everlasting past.**

The Lord is king! He is robed in majesty.

**The floods have risen up, O Lord.
The floods have roared like thunder;
the floods have lifted their pounding waves.**

The Lord is king! He is robed in majesty.

**But mightier than the violent raging of the seas,
mightier than the breakers on the shore—
the Lord above is mightier than these!**

*Your royal laws cannot be changed.
Your reign, O Lord, is holy forever and ever.*

The Lord is king! He is robed in majesty.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace and peace to you from the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come; from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; 5 and from Jesus Christ. He is the faithful witness to these things, the first to rise from the dead, and the ruler of all the kings of the world.

All glory to him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by shedding his blood for us. 6 He has made us a Kingdom of priests for God his Father. All glory and power to him forever and ever! Amen.

7 *Look! He comes with the clouds of heaven
And everyone will see him-- even those who pierced him.
And all the nations of the world will mourn for him.
Yes! Amen!*

8 *"I am the Alpha and the Omega—the beginning and the end," says the Lord God. "I am the one who is, who always was, and who is still to come—the Almighty One."*

Gospel Reading: John 18:33-37

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, O Lord

33 Then Pilate went back into his headquarters and called for Jesus to be brought to him. "Are you the king of the Jews?" he asked him.
34 Jesus replied, "Is this your own question, or did others tell you about me?"
35 "Am I a Jew?" Pilate retorted. "Your own people and their leading priests brought you to me for trial. Why? What have you done?"
36 Jesus answered, "My Kingdom is not an earthly kingdom. If it were, my followers would fight to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish leaders. But my Kingdom is not of this world."
37 Pilate said, "So you are a king?"
Jesus responded, "You say I am a king. Actually, I was born and came into the world to testify to the truth. All who love the truth recognize that what I say is true."

This is the Gospel of the Lord,
Praise to you, O Christ

Talk

Song: Humble King

Oh, kneel me down again Here at Your feet Show me how much You love Humility Oh, Spirit be the star That leads me to The humble heart of love I see in You	'Cause You are the God of the broken The friend of the weak You wash the feet of the weary Embrace the ones in need And I want to be like You Jesus To have this heart in me You are the God of the humble You are the humble King
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The Peace

To crown all things there must be love,
to bind all together and complete the whole.
Let the peace of Christ rule in our hearts.

cf Colossians 3.14,15

Let us offer one another a sign of Christ's peace

Affirmation of Faith

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
And the life everlasting.**

Amen.

Our prayers of intercession

**Merciful Father, accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.**

Notices

Hymn: To God be the glory (SoF 559)

<p><i>1. To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin, and opened the life-gate that we may go in.</i></p> <p><i>(Refrain)</i> <i>Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice! O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son, and give him the glory, great things he has done!</i></p>	<p><i>2. O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! To ev'ry believer the promise of God; the vilest offender who truly believes, that moment from Jesus, forgiveness receives.</i></p> <p><i>3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; but purer and higher and greater will be our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.</i></p>
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The Blessing

God the Father,
who has given to his Son the name above every name,
strengthen you to proclaim Christ Jesus as Lord.

Amen.

God the Son,
who is our great high priest passed into the heavens,
plead for you at the right hand of the Father.

Amen.

God the Holy Spirit,
who pours out his abundant gifts upon the Church,
make you faithful servants of Christ our King.

Amen.

And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

Amen.



Services planning November & December 2021

NOVEMBER 2021

7th	3rd Sunday before Advent	Rev'd Grant Holmes
14th	Remembrance Sunday / 2 nd Sunday before Advent	Chaplaincy Wardens
21st	Christ the King	Nancy Austin, Chaplaincy Worship Leader
28th	Advent Sunday	Rev'd Grant Holmes

DECEMBER 2021

5th	2nd Sunday of Advent	Nancy Austin, Chaplaincy Worship Leader
12th	3rd Sunday of Advent (morning)	Rev'd Grant Holmes
12th	Carols service (evening) from 6:30pm followed by Les Amis Table Top Sale	Rev'd Grant Holmes
19th	4th Sunday of Advent	Rev'd Grant Holmes
24th	Christmas Eve service with the Protestant Church of Fontainebleau, 3 Rue Béranger, from 6:30pm	Maurice Drapier, EPUF Fontainebleau
25th	Christmas service with the Protestant Church of Fontainebleau, 3 Rue Béranger, from 10:30am	Nancy Austin, Chaplaincy Worship Leader