



November 24, 2024  
Reign of Christ Sunday

## WE GATHER

### CENTERING

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

### PRELUDE

#### *On Eagle's Wings*

Composer: Michael Joncas, b. 1951; arr.: Michael Ryan, living  
Bells of Faith: Nancy Kuhn, Director

### WELCOME

Sara Romeyn

### ADVENT PREVIEW

Kristen Wayne

### CALL TO WORSHIP

Bruce Werber, Liturgist

ONE:	Come, let us remember God's everlasting covenant, written not on scrolls or in books, but on our hearts.
ALL:	<b>God's love is inscribed upon us, deeper than words on a page.</b>
ONE:	Just as Christ broke bread and shared the cup, saying, "This is my body, this is my blood," we are invited into God's promise of unending love and grace.
ALL:	<b>In Christ, we find a new covenant—a love that remains faithful even when we do not.</b>
ONE:	Come, in awe of God's fondness for us, let us worship with grateful and open hearts.

<b>ALL:</b>	<b>For the beauty of God's word upon us, we worship together. Amen.</b>
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## WORD

### SPECIAL MUSIC

#### *Deep and Wide*

Composer: Sidney E. Cox, 1887-1975

Taken from *My First Hymnal: 75 Favorite Bible Songs and What They Mean* (1994), Karyn Henley, b. 1952, and Randall Dennis, living

Publisher: Chordant Distribution

#### *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

Calvin Hampton, 1938-1984

Words: Dorothy Thrupp, 1836, alt.

Publisher: GIA Publications, Inc.

Young Singers of Faith: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

Ann Bartlow, piano

### CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

### ANTHEM

#### *Just As I Am*

Composer: Sidney E. Cox, 1887-1975

Words: Charlotte Elliot, 1789-1871

Publisher: Oxford University Press

Chancel Choir: Dr. Michael Wu, Director

Ann Bartlow, organ

### CONFESSION AND PARDON

Bruce Werber, Liturgist

<b>ONE:</b>	The Lord be with you.
<b>ALL:</b>	<b>And also with you.</b>
<b>ONE:</b>	Let us confess our sins against God, and against our neighbor.
<b>ALL:</b>	<b>Hide your truth in our hearts, dear God, for we are a people who are attracted to the error of our ways. We make bad choices, O Lord. We find ourselves in</b>

	<p>predicaments that make us sigh and groan. We have brought upon ourselves many of the disasters that have come our way. We were not honest and truthful in all situations. We even try to hide from our- selves when we realize that we are responsible for our own mistakes. O Lord, do not remove yourself from us. Forgive us, we pray, for the many sins, wrongdoings, shortcomings, and lies. Fill us with your grace and blot out our transgressions. Give us genuine love for each other, we pray. We thank you for the assurance of your forgiveness through your Son, Jesus Christ. Hear us, we pray, in Jesus' name. Amen.</p>
ONE:	<p>Grant, most merciful Lord, to your faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve you with a quiet mind. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.</p>
ALL:	<p><b>In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Thanks be to God!</b></p>

## PASSING THE PEACE

Bruce Werber, Liturgist

## PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bruce Werber, Liturgist

## SCRIPTURE READING

Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34

Bruce Werber, Liturgist

## MESSAGE: "Just as I Am: Thoughts on today's scriptures"

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

### \* HYMN #140

#### *Great is Thy Faithfulness*

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923 (Lamentations 3:22-23)

Music: William M. Runyan, 1923

Congregation

Ann Bartlow, organ

## WONDER

### MISSION MOMENT

#### Missionaries' Visit

Rev. Dr. Laura Norvell & Leaders

### INVITATION TO OFFERING

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### OFFERTORY PRAYER

Bruce Werber, Liturgist

## WHAT NOW

### PASTORAL PRAYER & THE LORD'S PRAYER

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

**ALL: 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom,  
the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### \*HYMN #722

#### *I Want to Be Ready*

Words: Afro-American spiritual (Revelations 21:2, 16)

Music: Afro-American spiritual; adapt and arr.: William Farley Smith, 1986

Congregation

Ann Bartlow, organ

### SENDING FORTH

Dr. Michael Wu, Music Director

### POSTLUDE

#### Fugue in G Minor BWV 578

Composer: J.S. Bach, 1685-1750

Ann Bartlow, organ

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers are being given this Sunday by Nancy Skinner in memory of her beloved husband, James P. Skinner.

## SERVING US TODAY

Acolytes: Grace Basford and Zachary Vedder

Altar Guild for November: JoAnn Castagnola and Helen McMunn

Audio Visual Volunteers: Brian Hahs, Jason Spriggs and Eric Winchenbach

Chat Room Host: Linda Pickle

Congregational Welcome: Sara Romeyn

Fellowship Hosts: Arvina Gadre Dalaya

Liturgist: Bruce Werber

Nursery Staff: Gary Clark and Tessa Ricketts

Sunday School Teachers -Elementary Grades: Frank Johnson and Sally Stolz

Sunday School Teachers – Middle School Grades: Suzanne Smedberg and Janelle Veazey

Welcome Team: Bill and Lloydie Zaiser

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