

Announcements This Week

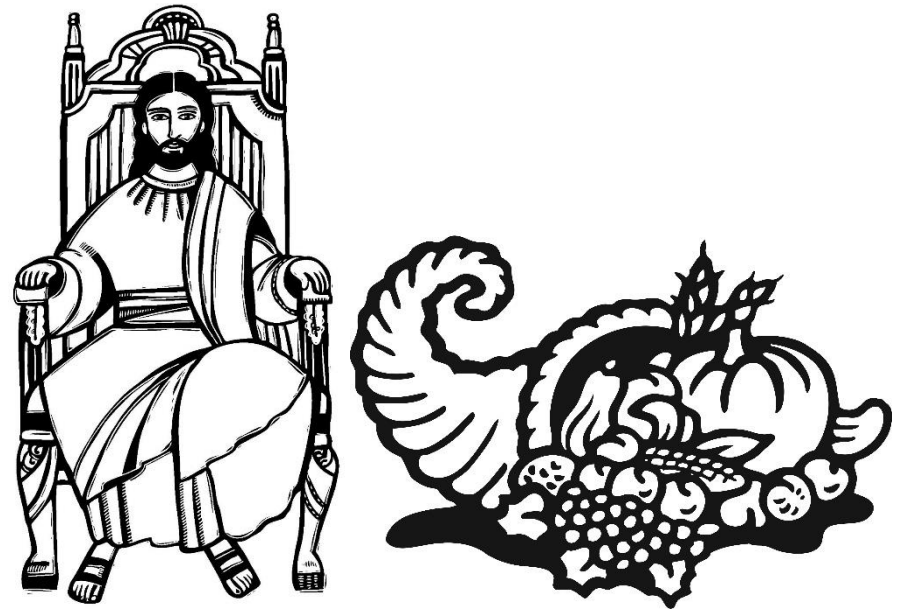
- ✓ **Welcome to our worship this day.** *"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."*
- ✓ **Youth Sunday School begins at 9:30am** in the downstairs classroom. All are welcome.
- ✓ **Our Liturgist this day is Colleen Anderson.**
- ✓ **Advent begins next Sunday, November 28th.**
Join us for a "Hanging of the Greens" service when we light our first Advent candle of the season. And invite a friend.
- ✓ **Wednesday Study Group** will begin its Advent/Christmas Study reading "The Journey: Walking the Road to Bethlehem" by Adam Hamilton. This is a four-week video/book/ discussion series. It begins Wednesday, December 1st at 7pm.

Please pray:

- **For the work of Global Ministries in Lebanon.**
(For more about this ministry see <https://www.globalministries.org/>)
- **For our earthly rulers and representatives.** God, bless and inspire those who rule. Give them eyes which can see and hearts that care. Amen.
- **All those who are ill or homebound or in care facilities.**
- **For others in our lives, especially:** our Church Conference, Travelers, Military and First Responders.



First Congregational United Church of Christ



Sunday, November 21, 2021 ~ 10:00 a.m.

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**First Congregational Church UCC
"Christ the King Sunday"**

Sunday, November 21, 2021 10:00 am

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"†" Invites all to stand in body or in spirit

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELL

† GREETING (One/Many)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

† HYMN

CH #234

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

We have trouble believing in a King in our lives. Early in our nation's history, we rejected monarchy as something undesirable. Yet, this day we are called to recognize Jesus Christ as the King of our lives, our sovereign ruler. Yet, the Kingship of Jesus is different. We are not forced to enrich this King. Jesus enriches us! In return, we are to live the covenant of hospitality toward others, to care for (to love) our neighbor.

Forgive us when we cannot believe the good fortune we have in Jesus. Rule our lives again with your powerful love, that we might truly be your worthy disciples. Amen.

PRAYER FOR MERCY

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**
Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**
Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Peace of God be with you.

And also with you.

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

2 Samuel 23:1-5

CHILDREN'S TIME FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART ☺

CHORAL ANTHEM

MESSAGE

"What a King!"

Rev. C Aurand

† HYMN

CH #718

"Come, Ye Thankful People Come"

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

CONCERNS OF THE CHURCH/MISSION MOMENT

A TIME OF OFFERING

† DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, you heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

† PRAYER OF DEDICATION

† HYMN

"Let All Things Now Living"

CH #717

† BENEDICTION/BLESSING

† POSTLUDE

