

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Christmas Poinsettias are \$10. If you would like to purchase one in memory of or in honor of someone please see or send a note to Barbara Matlack, office@titusvillechurch.org.

Session: Thursday, 11/30 at 6:45 p.m.

Friday December 1, 7 p.m. Preparing the Sanctuary for Advent. Pizza after, RSVP

Sunday, December 3, 4 p.m. Christmas Hymn Sing

Sunday, December 10, 2 p.m. Ornament Exchange at the home of Lettie Ritner.

Tuesday, December 12, Noon Women of the church pot-luck luncheon at the home of Debbie Niederer

Sunday, December 17, 6 p.m. Christmas Caroling



Found at thewordisalive.co.uk

Spiritual Food for Thought

It is unthinkable to have a king without a kingdom. Since Jesus ascends to his coronation as king, with that coronation comes the designation by the Father of the realm over which he rules. That realm is all creation.

--R.C. Sproul

Session:

Class of 2017
Barbara Matlack
Randy Niederer

Class of 2018
Patti Manz
Tim Shaub

Class of 2019
Mark Niederer
Kristine Schmidt, Clerk

Deacons:

Class of 2017
Judy Niederer, Secretary

Class of 2018
Gail Butterfoss
Lettie Ritner, Vice-Moderator

Class of 2019
Chris Manz, Moderator

Ministers: All members of Titusville Church

Pastor: Rev. Kenneth Good

Worship Assistant: Tim Shaub

Music Directors: Jon and Helen Eastburn

The Rev. Dr. R. William Shaub, Pastor Emeritus
Barbara Matlack, Office Administrator

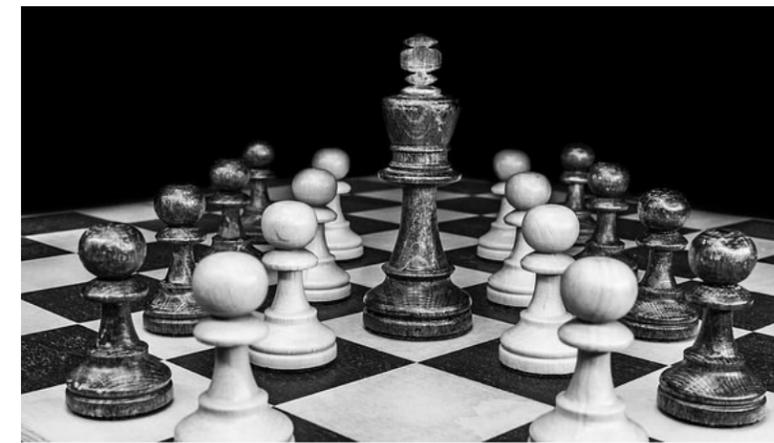
November 26, 2017



All glory to God!

Today, we join in the everlasting song, crowning Jesus Christ as King of kings and Lord of lords. Today is a day to celebrate that the reign of Christ will bring majesty, beauty, goodness, peace and justice. It is good to remember this future, which by Christ's grace is our future. As we begin our year long journey through the second book of Scripture, Exodus, we are reminded that the kings of earth do not bring life

to the world. God's people only knew oppression and bitterness because of them. We will take the next few weeks to delight in the life of God's blessing. Psalm 1 reminds us this life in God is like a prospering tree. Rooted and built in Christ, let us overflow with thankfulness.



Call to Worship Psalm 1, page 383.

Blessed is the one who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked or stand in the way of sinners or sit in the seat of mockers.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord, and on his law he meditates day and night.

He is like a tree planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season and whose leaf does not wither. Whatever he does prospers.

Not so the wicked! They are like chaff that the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgement, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous.

For the Lord watches over the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Prayer of Confession

Your Holy Word presents an entry way into your intended blessing. Instead, we have walked, stood and sat in the exit way of wickedness.

You invite us to become like a tree, rooted, prosperous and fruitful. Instead, we have chosen to be like fragile chaff, blown away by shifting winds.

Thank you for watching over us. In your mercy, make our way righteous.

...Let us pause for a silent time of personal confession...



Order of Liturgy

Prelude

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***Opening Hymns / Prayer** (page 1)

Confession (page 1)

—call, prayer, assurance

*Gloria patri

Scripture (page 1)

Message

***Hymn of Response** (page 1)

*Apostles Creed

*New City Catechism (page 2)

Announcements

Prayers of the People

Offering: "My Heart is Filled With Thankfulness"

*Doxology

***Sending Hymn** (page 1)

Benediction

Choral Benediction: "In The Lord I'll be Ever Thankful"

*Please stand if able

Scripture

Exodus 1 (page 40)

I Thessalonians 1 (page 835)

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Songs for Today

Opening Hymns

#68 "We Praise Thee, O God, Our Redeemer"

#794 "Let All Things Now Living"

Hymn of Response

Insert "God the Uncreated One"

Sending Hymn

#788 "Now Thank We All Our God"

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Notes on Morning Scripture

Exodus

*The title is rooted in the Greek word, “a going out”

*The traditional view is that Moses wrote the book.

*The book is divided into three main parts: Israel in Egypt (1-12:36), Israel on the way to Mt. Sinai (12:37-19:2) and Israel at Mt. Sinai (19:3-40:38). At Sinai, Moses receives the Law and instructions for the tabernacle and priests.

I Thessalonians

*the earliest of Paul’s letters, written 50 or 51 AD

*Background is found in Acts 17:1-9

*Of major concern to the church was that believers had died before Christ had returned

Web Link

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6JNeGi2egsk> God the Uncreated One, sung by Aaron Keyes

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yTpJxPyo3JE> My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness, sung by Keith & Kristyn Getty

<http://www.enterthebible.org/oldtestament.aspx?rid=21> clear overview of each book of Scripture administered by Luther Seminary

<http://www.ligonier.org/blog/jesus-king-kings/> brief devotional on the King of the kingdom.

New City Catechism

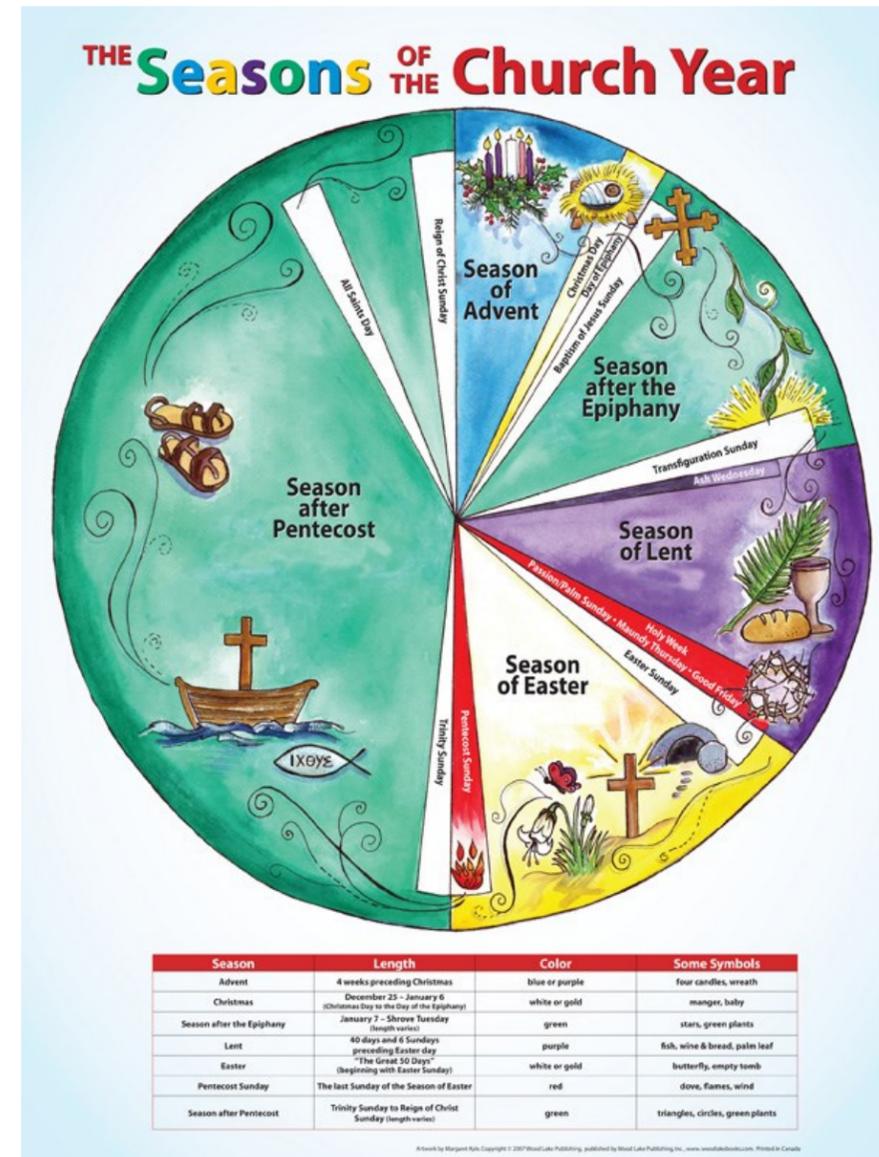
A 52 question catechism developed by Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New York. For an introduction to this catechism, visit: <http://www.newcitycatechism.com/intro.php>

Part 3: Spirit, Restoration, Growing in Grace

Question 46: What is the Lord’s Supper?

Answer: Christ commanded all Christians to eat bread and to drink from the cup in thankful remembrance of him and his death. The Lord’s Supper is a celebration of the presence of God in our midst; bringing us into communion with God and with one another; feeding and nourishing our souls. It also anticipates the day when we will eat and drink with Christ in his Father’s kingdom.

To learn more about Question 46, including Scripture background, prayer, commentary and video from scholars, visit <http://newcitycatechism.com/new-city-catechism/#46>



Before you is an aide which speaks to the richness of the Church Calendar Year and its celebration of the work and person of Jesus Christ. Today, Christ the King Sunday, is the final week of the year, pointing us to the culmination of history: The Reign of Jesus Christ as King of kings. Next week, we start the year with Advent, which helps us look forward to the coming of Christ.

Prayers to the Lord and Author of Life

(offered in 11/26 worship by the congregation)

Dear Tabby,
Raising Life (issues) Acts 9:36

Dear Tabby,

What does it mean when we call Jesus our King?

Triumphant in Trenton

Dear Triumphant,

Here is a thought-provoking description from the Presbyterian Mission Agency regarding the announcement made through Christ the King Sunday:

The festival of Christ the King (or Reign of Christ) ends our marking of Ordinary Time after the Day of Pentecost, and moves us to the threshold of Advent, the season of hope for Christ’s coming again at the end of time.

The day centers on the crucified and risen Christ, whom God exalted to rule over the whole universe. The celebration of the lordship of Christ thus looks back to Ascension, Easter, and Transfiguration, and points ahead to the appearing in glory of the King of kings and Lord of lords. Christ reigns supreme. Christ’s truth judges falsehood. As the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, Christ is the center of the universe, the ruler of all history, the judge of all people. In Christ all things began, and in Christ all things will be fulfilled. In the end, Christ will triumph over the forces of evil.

Such concepts as these cluster around the affirmation that Christ is King or Christ reigns! As sovereign ruler, Christ calls us to a loyalty that transcends every earthly claim on the human heart. To Christ alone belongs the supreme allegiance in our lives. Christ calls us to stand with those who in every age confessed, “Jesus Christ is Lord!” In every generation, demagogues emerge to claim an allegiance that belongs only to God. But Christ alone has the right to claim our highest loyalty. The blood of martyrs, past and present, witnesses to this truth.

Behold the glory of the eternal Christ! From the beginning of time to its ending, Christ rules above all earthly powers!