

First Presbyterian Church of Monroe
Christ the King Sunday
November 21, 2021



GATHERING

WELCOME

Jason Armstrong

PRELUDE

OPENING SENTENCES

Shannon Costello

Jesus Christ is coming to reign.

To God by glory forever and ever!

OPENING HYMN

“O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!”

GTG 41

GATHERING PRAYER

Shannon Costello

Eternal God, you set Jesus Christ to rule over all things, and made us servants in your kingdom. By your Spirit empower us to love the unloved, and to minister to all in need. Then at the last bring us to your eternal realm where we may worship and adore you and be welcomed into your everlasting joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Jason Armstrong

In Christ, God came to reconcile all things, making peace through the blood of the cross.

Trusting in God’s grace, let us confess our sin.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Jason Armstrong

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jason Armstrong

God has rescued us from the power of evil and claimed us for the realm of Jesus Christ, in whom we have redemption. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Thanks be to God.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Shannon Costello

SUNG RESPONSE

“Spirit of the Living God”

GTG 288

WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Sovereign God, let your Word rule in our hearts and your Spirit govern our lives until at last we see the fulfillment of your realm of justice and peace through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

SCRIPTURE

First Reading:	Isaiah 55:1-5	Shannon Costello
The Word of the Lord.		
Thanks be to God.		
Second Reading:	John 4:7-14	Jason Armstrong
The Word of the Lord.		
Thanks be to God.		

SERMON

“All Who Are Thirsty”

MEDITATIVE MUSIC

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH—The Apostles’ Creed

Unison: 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.

HYMN

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

GTG 367

OFFERING

Shannon Costello

DOXOLOGY

GTG 606

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Jason Armstrong

EUCHARIST

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

Jason Armstrong

GREAT THANKSGIVING

Jason Armstrong

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is truly right and our greatest joy to give you thanks and praise, eternal God, creator and ruler of the universe.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Jason Armstrong

COMMUNION

Jason Armstrong

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Jason Armstrong

Blessed are you, O Lord our God, creator and ruler of the universe, for you have satisfied our souls with this feast of your grace. Keep us faithful in your service until your realm of glory comes; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Jason Armstrong

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

SENDING

HYMN

“We Give Thee but Thine Own”

GTG 708

CHARGE AND BLESSING

HANDBELLS

POSTLUDE

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Christmas is just around *the* corner! Please help to decorate our Sanctuary with a “wave” of red throughout this Advent season!

The following will be available:

A 6” potted poinsettia with a foil wrap and a bow for \$14.00. Please submit payment with your order.

Orders must be received by **Monday, December 6**. Fill out the order form in the bulletin or call Sara in the office at 734-242-1545 to order. Please submit checks together with your order form in the offering plate. Checks may be made out to First Presbyterian Church. The flowers are being furnished by Deb’s Flowers & Gifts. Please feel free to take your plant home **after** the Christmas Eve Service.

My poinsettia is

In Honor of _____

In Honor of _____

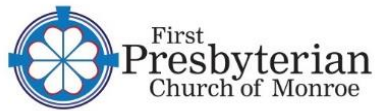
In Memory of _____

In Memory of _____

My Name is _____

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