St. John's at Worship Christ the King Sunday

Postlude "This is My Father's World" arr. Sondra K. Tucker
Devon Chapel Bells

Welcome and Announcements

Introit "Thaxed" Hoist

*Answering God's Call to Worship From Philippians 2:5–11

One: Let the same mind be in us that was in Christ Jesus,

All: Who, though he was in the form of God,

did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited.

One: He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,

being born in human likeness.

All: And being found in human form,

he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

One: Therefore God also highly exalted him

and gave him the name that is above every name,

All: So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,

in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,

to the glory of God!

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Confessing Our Sin Together

Almighty God, our tongues might confess that you are Lord, but our knees do not always bend.

We bow down to many other kings –

those rooted in the power and pleasure of this world.

In our pursuit of instant gratification.

we have sinned against you and against each other, in word, thought, and deed.

We praise you with our lips,

but not always with our lives.

We *hope* that there is still room in your kingdom for *us*, and that we might yet be able to do your will on earth, in *our lives*, as it is in heaven.

Confessing Silently

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Promise of Forgiveness

*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Scripture Reading Colossians 1:11–20 (pg. 200, N.T.) Nancy Arico

The Sacrament of Baptism

Cameron Scott Oliver Pierce Richard Oliver

Rev. Joyner

Sons of Steve & Ashlee Oliver

As part of the baptismal liturgy, we profess our faith using the Apostles' Creed: 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.

Children's Time

As Pre-K–12th graders leave for Sunday School, we send them with this liturgy: Pastor: Now we go our separate ways to worship and learn about God.

Cong.: May God be with you there!
Children: May God be with you here!

Anthem "Repton" Parry

Scripture Reading Luke 23:33–43 (pg. 89, N.T.)

Sermon SEEING THE KING Rev. Marshall

*Presenting Our Offering & Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

*Hymn **327** "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

*Benediction

*Postlude "Lift Thine Eyes" from *Elijah Mendelssohn*

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Music Director Iris Blanco-Urgelles

Ushers Susanne Engheta, Jim Little

Greeters Wanda Odom

Flowers Given by the Marvin Family in memory of Donald

Marvin

Coffee Servers Mariann & Skip McClennan

Devon Brass Mark Ator (French Horn), Frank Mercurio (trumpet),

Paul Steege (trombone), Jeff Estabrook (trumpet,

euphonium)

Devon Chapel Bells Sue Chudy, Christina Fish, Sue Beth Johnson, Jim Tiede

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning! We hope that you experience the presence and love of Jesus Christ here with us today. If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the ushers located at the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall following worship. We are glad that you are here and hope you will worship with us again soon!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

After the children's time, children in $K-12^{th}$ grade will leave with their teachers. If this is your child's first time in Sunday School, the ushers have pamphlets that tell you everything you need to know. As always, nursery care is provided for children ages 5 and under. Please be sure to check in children in 4^{th} grade and under in the back of the sanctuary before worship begins.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

The Women's Book Study meets on Sunday mornings at 8:00 AM and on Mondays at 11:30 AM (you are welcome to bring lunch). These groups are open to all women, and both are reading the same book, *Gentle and Lowely*.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Sunday, Dec. 4 10:45 a.m. – Handmade Crafts Collection!

Women's Fellowship and the Deacons are hosting a joint fundraiser for Presbyterian Disaster Assistance! Members are invited to drop off items to sell at the Bazaar by Saturday, December 3. In the past members have sold paintings, baked goods, jewelry, quilts, and more. Start thinking and creating now so that you can help take part in helping heal communities after natural disasters! There will also be a "White Elephant" sale of gently used Christmas Decorations. If you have gently used decorations to donate, please drop them off in the bins located in Fellowship Hall. For more information contact Sarah Marvin (sarahkmarvin@gmail.com) or Linda Duncan (Lduncan2368@gmail.com).

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We continue to receive nominations for next year's class of Elders, Deacons, and Trustees. If you know of anyone who may be called to fill one of these important leadership roles for St. John's, or if you yourself are feeling called, please contact Judy Mileto (judym698@aol.com).

ANGEL TREE COMING SOON!

The tree will be up in Fellowship Hall starting Sunday, November 27, filled with angels for the Chester County Family Academy. Each angel will represent a child from kindergarten through 2nd grade. Each color represents a different class. On the angel is the child's name, grade, and Christmas gift wish. The Deacons will be in Fellowship Hall to sign you up for the angel(s) you choose, so we can keep track and make sure every child is taken care of. We ask that you return your gifts by Sunday, December 11, wrapped and with the angel attached. We recommend that you spend around \$30. In some cases that might mean buying a couple of toys. Thank you so much for supporting Angel Tree! Please call Ellie Lund (610-812-6367) or Lee Walsh (484-888-6000) with any questions.

^{*}Hymn **154**, vss. **1**, **4**, **6** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

^{*}Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

TRANSPORTATION

We have a request from our church family looking for transportation to church on Sundays. If you are willing to serve in this capacity, please contact Roseann in the church office (admin@stjohnsdevon.com)

TE HISTORICAL SOCIETY LECTURE

Today at 2:00 p.m., St. John's will be hosting a lecture by Professor Margaret Newell on the unique and important Pennsylvania Constitution of 1776, how it later evolved, and how it related to the constitutions of other states and the U.S. Constitution. Prof. Newell teaches history at Ohio State University and is the author of several books. This event is free of charge and open to the community, although advance registration is required. You can register online at https://ccls.libcal.com/event/9786538 (there will be a link in today's weekly email). Feel free to contact John Senior with any questions.

PLEDGES FOR 2023

We are so grateful to everyone who has already pledged to support the life and ministry of our church family in the coming year. It's not too late to make a pledge for 2023! You can submit a pledge on our website or by using one of the green cards on the table in the back of the sanctuary.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Offering envelopes for 2023 are available for pickup in Fellowship Hall. If you do not have a pack of envelopes but would like one, please contact Ken Dilloway (dilloway1@aol.com).

FINANCIAL UPDATE

While we have kept the church's expenses under budget by \$23,980 this year, giving has also been under budget by \$17,342. As of October 31, the church is running a deficit for the year of \$32,423. We are so grateful for all the ways that you make God's mission possible through St. John's, and we ask you to prayerfully discern how you might be able to support the life and ministry of your church family.

CHURCH TREASURER

Brian Bouvier will be ending his time as Church Treasurer at the end of this term, March 31, 2023. If you (or someone you know) has gifts that you think might fit the needs of this position, we encourage you to talk to Jeff Wagner (President of the Trustees) or to Pastor Patrick.

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP- TONIGHT AT 4:30 PM!

Youth in grades 5-12 are invited to join us in the Fellowship Hall for a mission project- making bagged lunches for Safe Harbor in West Chester, PA!

ADVENT CRAFT NIGHT- NOV 27 2-4 PM

Children, youth, and adults are invited to join us for an afternoon of fellowship and crafting in the Fellowship Hall as we kick off the Advent Season. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Mildred Del Valle (dvmildred75@yahoo.com)

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Nov 20	Christ the King Sunday	
	8:00 am	Women's Book Study (Kean Room)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
		Baptism of Cameron and Pierce Oliver
	2:00 pm	TE Historical Society Lecture (FH)
	3:45 pm	Youth Advisory Council (CH)
	4:30 pm	Youth Fellowship Mission Project (FH)
Mon, Nov 21	11:30 am	Women's Book Study
	7:00 pm	Adult Christian Ed (Kean Room)
Tues, Nov 22	5:00 pm	Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
Wed, Nov 23	9:00 am	Companions in Prayer (Kean Room)
Thurs, Nov 24	Happy Thanksgiving! (Church office closed)	
Fri, Nov 25	Church office closed	
Sun, Nov 27 First Sunday of Advent		
	8:00 am	Women's Book Study (Kean Room)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	2:00 pm	Advent Craft Night (Fellowship Hall)

Reminder

Friday is both Patrick and Ridgley's sabbath day, and the church office is closed on Saturday. If you email or call on those days, you will not get a response until they are back in the office.

Our Church Administrator Roseann Christian is in the office Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If you have a pastoral emergency when the office is closed or on a Saturday, you can call 484-604-0499.



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

The King and I
(A Poem/Prayer for Christ the King)
by Tom Blair

In a world of rough and tumble living, claims of power attract.

Your message, King Jesus, is clothed in humility; you claim nothing but a desire for my soul to be given over

to the point of deepest need. You are a mirror to the unknown territory of my heart. No muscle here, no force.

only the magnetism of your holiness in flesh and blood, drawing me toward your way.

November 20, 2022 For the latest information and news about St. John's: www.stjohnsdevon.com facebook.com/stjohnspresbyteriandevonpa