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**Christ the King Sunday  
Thanksgiving Sunday**

**November 25, 2018**

**10:00 a.m.**

\*Please rise in body or in spirit

**PRELUDE**

Alex Sandor

**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**\*INTROIT**

**Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore!  
Rejoice, give thanks and sing, And triumph evermore.  
Lift up your heart; lift up your voice!  
Rejoice, again I say, Rejoice! (#363)**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

Adapted from Psalm 100

One: Sing to the Holy One, our God.

**All: In Jerusalem and Jakarta, in Superior and San  
Juan, in London and Lima, sing to the Holy One!**

One: Worship God with joy!

**All: Sing and dance God's praise!**

One: The Holy One is God.

**All: The Holy One created us and we belong to God.**

One: Come into God's presence with thanksgiving.

**All: God's love is eternal.**

One: God's love endures forever!

**\*HYMN**      **Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**      Insert

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

One: For the heavens and earth which you have created, O God, the immensities of space and the delicacies of the spider's web, for all things of use and of beauty, for all that stirs us to awe and admiration, we thank you with humble hearts.

**All: For the rhythms of life, the round of days and nights, sun and rain, summer and winter, seedtime and harvest, work and leisure, for our comfort and safety, and for every provision in our world of technology that helps us with our work, we thank you with humble hearts, O God.**

One: For homes, families and those who, known and unknown, care for our well-being, for the work to which we are called, for the ability to order our lives by your truth and grace, for all righteous and gifted persons whose service among us has enriched the lives of all, we thank you with humble hearts, O God.

**All: For the disciplines of life, the tasks and trials by which we are trained to patience, self-understanding and self-control, for the gift of empathy by which we can join in the suffering of others, for the heritage which carries us in an on-going procession of faith, filling our saddest moments with light and hope, we thank you with humble hearts, O God.**

One: Infinite Giver of all good, in whom are the well-springs of life itself, all glory and thanks be to you for your unfailing love, which is from age to age, and for your mercy which is new every morning, fresh every evening, and more than we have rightly reckoned. For all your gifts,

**All: We praise your holy name. Amen.**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

*You are invited to share the blessing of Christ's peace with those near you by saying, "The peace of Christ be with you."*

**\*HYMN** *For the Beauty of the Earth*

**For the beauty of the earth, for the glory of the skies,  
For the love which from our birth, over and around us  
lies,  
Lord of all, to thee we raise, This our hymn of grateful  
praise.**

**For the wonder of each hour of the day and of the night,  
Hill and vale and tree and flower, Sun and moon and stars  
of light:  
Lord of all to thee we raise, This our hymn of grateful  
praise.** (#14)

*Prayer cards may be given to usher to be brought forward.*

**TIME WITH CHILDREN** Christy Willmore

**SCRIPTURE READINGS** Kathy Nelson  
Old Testament Reading *Daniel 4:34-37*  
Gospel Reading *John 18:33-37*

**ANTHEM** Chancel Choir

**SERMON** *The Subversive Power of Praise*  
Rev. Charlotte Frantz

**\*HYMN** *Sing Praise to God who Reigns Above* #645

**OFFERING**  
**MOMENT FOR MISSION**  
**OFFERTORY**

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**We praise you, O God, our Redeemer, Creator;  
In grateful devotion, our tribute we bring.  
We lay it before you; we kneel and adore you,  
We bless your holy name, glad praises we bring.**  
(# 612)

**\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

One: Let us pray together.  
**All: We offer these gifts to you, O God. Let them be  
used to heal hurt, right injustice, care for the  
poor, and protect the vulnerable. Let your  
grace shine through our lives and show your  
love for all persons. Amen.**

**TIME FOR PRAYER**

**PRAYERS TO BE SHARED**  
**SILENT PRAYER**  
**PASTORAL PRAYER**  
**LORD'S PRAYER**

**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 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.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS ABOUT OUR LIFE TOGETHER**

**\*CLOSING HYMN** *Now Thank We All Our God* #643

**\*BENEDICTION**

**\*POSTLUDE** Alex Sandor

**SCRIPTURE READING***Daniel 4:34-37*

When that period was over, I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my reason returned to me. I blessed the Most High, and praised and honored the one who lives forever.

For his sovereignty is an everlasting sovereignty, and his kingdom endures from generation to generation. All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and he does what he wills with the host of heaven and the inhabitants of the earth.

There is no one who can stay his hand or say to him, 'What are you doing?' At that time my reason returned to me; and my majesty and splendor were restored to me for the glory of my kingdom. My counsellors and my lords sought me out, I was re-established over my kingdom, and still more greatness was added to me.

Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, for all his works are truth, and his ways are justice; and he is able to bring low those who walk in pride.

**GOSPEL READING***John 18:33-37*

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?'

Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?'

Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

## United Presbyterian Church Weekly Calendar

### SUNDAY 11/25

9:00 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

10:00 a.m. Worship

6:00 p.m. UPC Volleyball

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### MONDAY 11/26

5:15 p.m. Handbell Rehearsal

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts 3221 Meeting

6:46 p.m. Cub Scouts Parent Meeting

Happy Birthday – Joan Haugland

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### TUESDAY 11/27

4:30 – 9:00 p.m. Youth Soccer League

Happy Birthday – Danny Ziebell

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### WEDNESDAY 11/28

3:00 p.m. Finance & Stewardship Committee

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### THURSDAY 11/29

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### FRIDAY 11/30

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### SATURDAY 12/1

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS

Decorating for the holidays will begin here at the church on Wednesday, November 28 with the tree going up in the Sanctuary. The Presbyterian Women will be *organizing* decorations that day beginning at 10:00 a.m. Putting up the decorations and other special touches will be started on **Saturday, December 1 at 9:30 a.m.** All who are available to help with the decorating on December 1<sup>st</sup> are welcome!

### CAROLING

Please make plans to join the Board of Deacons for Christmas Caroling on **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>**. Everyone is welcome! We will be gathering together after the worship service for a lite lunch before heading out for our caroling visits.

### CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Christmas is coming! Our traditional Christmas pageant will be December 16. Rehearsals for children and youth will be December 2 and 9, during worship. Bring your children/youth for the opening of worship, then they will be dismissed to prepare for the pageant and do some Advent crafts.

### CHILDREN & YOUTH

Do you have children or grandchildren here at United? On December 2, immediately following worship, we would like to hear from you. Meet with Christy and other parents and grandparents – What do you want United to be offering for the children you bring? Also, get details about Christmas activities for families, youth and children.


### UNIVERSITY RECITAL SERIES

*Fanfairs and Flourishes, organ and brass*

November 27, 2018 from 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.

University organist Thomas Hamilton joins forces with the UWS brass faculty as part of the inauguration of the new Sebastian Gluck organ at Christ the King Cathedral in Superior. The concert will feature ensemble as well as solo pieces, all in the beautiful acoustics of the Cathedral. Adults \$12.00, Seniors and Students \$10.00.

## WAYS TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

- ✦ Join us for a cup of coffee in the Fellowship Hall following worship.
- ✦ Pick up a copy of *The UPBeat*, our monthly newsletter, from the table in the narthex.
- ✦ Call the church office at 715-392-4751.
- ✦  Follow us on Facebook.

### HELPFUL TO KNOW

- ✦ We have large print bulletins.
- ✦ We have hearing assistance devices.
- ✦ There are children's activity sheets available in the narthex.

### PRAYER REQUEST

The Pastor is always glad to share prayer requests during the Prayer Time during each worship service. Prayer Request cards are located in the pew slots in each row and on the table by the main entrance. Cards will be asked for and collected during worship service or may be placed in the offering plate.

The Prayer Chain may be activated by calling  
Jan Letsos at 715-394-6009  
or  
Dean Hecht at 715-398-6532.

PASTOR

DEACONS OF THE MONTH

Reverend Charlotte Frantz

Ethel Bartholomew &  
Kathy Nelson