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REIGN OF CHRIST SUNDAY

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(BOLD-FACED TYPE) Congregation responds*

THE CHURCH GATHERS

SILENT PRAYER AND TIME FOR CENTERING

Prelude Come Ye Thankful People Come
George Elvey, arr. for handbells by Alton R. Kindred

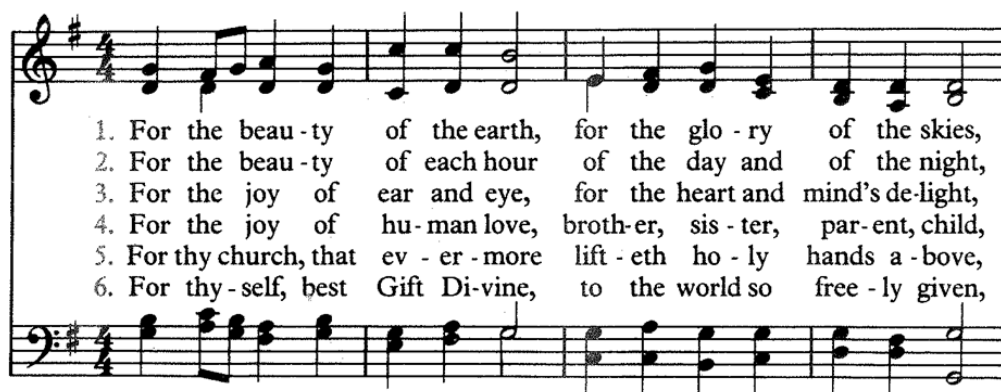
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*CALL TO WORSHIP

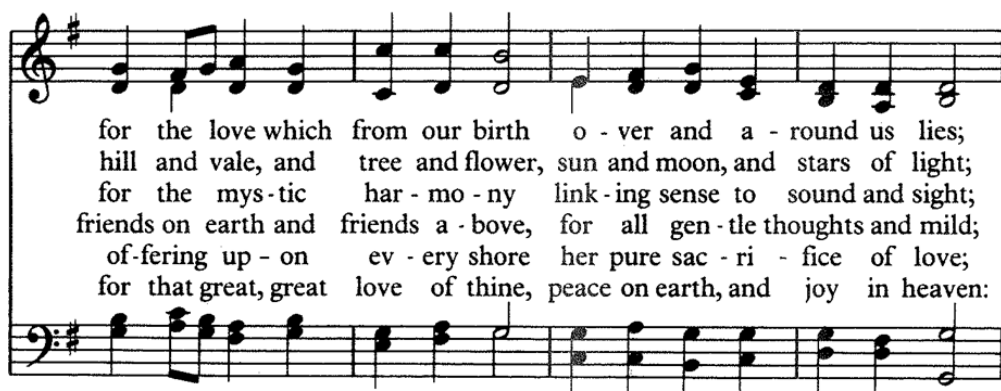
Glorious God, mighty and eternal,
you have conquered all the powers of this world.
**But you have done it not with force or domination;
you have done it
in the love of the crucified and risen Christ.**
God of perfect love and boundless grace,
you are our sovereign.
Christ, you are the Chief and ruler of our lives.
**We thank you;
we honor you;
we seek to emulate you.**
We worship in humble gratitude, with open hearts.
**By your Spirit,
may Love rule in our lives. (***)**

For the Beauty of the Earth

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1. For the beau-ty of the earth, for the glo-ry of the skies,
2. For the beau-ty of each hour of the day and of the night,
3. For the joy of ear and eye, for the heart and mind's de-light,
4. For the joy of hu-man love, broth-er, sis-ter, par-ent, child,
5. For thy church, that ev-er-more lift-eth ho-ly hands a-bove,
6. For thy-self, best Gift Di-vine, to the world so free-ly given,



for the love which from our birth o-ver and a-round us lies;
hill and vale, and tree and flower, sun and moon, and stars of light;
for the mys-tic har-mo-ny link-ing sense to sound and sight;
friends on earth and friends a-bove, for all gen-tle thoughts and mild;
of-fering up-on ev-ery shore her pure sac-ri-fice of love;
for that great, great love of thine, peace on earth, and joy in heaven:

Refrain



Lord of all, to thee we raise this our hymn of grate-ful praise.
* Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac-ri-fice of praise.

*For Holy Communion

WORDS: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1864
MUSIC: Conrad Kocher, 1838; arr. by W. H. Monk, 1861

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THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM AND RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS:

If you have a hymnal at home, the service continues on page 45. Alternatively you may follow this [HYPERLINKED](#) page to the on-line [Book of Worship](#).

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Passing the Peace of Christ

THE CHURCH HEARS THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Lesson: [Revelation 1:4b-8](#) (Pg. 994) **

ANTHEM With a Voice of Singing

Words and Music by Martin Shaw

With a voice of singing declare ye this,
and let it be heard, Alleluia!
Utter it even unto the ends of the earth.
The Lord hath delivered His people, Alleluia!
O be joyful in God, all ye lands.
O sing praises to the honor of His name,
make His praise to be glorious.
With a voice of singing, declare ye this,
and let it be heard, Alleluia!

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TIME FOR THE CHILD IN ALL

(During the singing of the hymn, we are gathering food donations for the thanksgiving food baskets we will be donating.)

*HYMN OF PREPARATION NO. 2087

We Will Glorify the King of Kings 2087



1. We will glo - ri - fy the King of kings, we will
2. Lord Je - ho - vah reigns in maj - es - ty, we will
3. He is Lord of heav - en, Lord of earth, he is
4. Hal - le - lu - jah to the King of kings, hal - le -



glo - ri - fy the Lamb; we will glo - ri - fy the
bow be - fore his throne; we will wor - ship him in
Lord of all who live; he is Lord a - bove the
lu - jah to the Lamb; hal - le - lu - jah to the



Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.
righ - teous - ness, we will wor - ship him a - lone.
u - ni - verse, all praise to him we give.
Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.

WORDS: Twila Paris (Ps. 93:1; Rev. 17:14)
MUSIC: Twila Paris

WE WILL GLORIFY
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*GOSPEL LESSON:

[John 18:33-37](#)

(Pg. 881) **

For the word of God in Scripture,
For the word of God among us,
For the word of God within us,
Thanks be to God!

*GLORIA PATRI NO. 70

Glory Be to the Father

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Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the
Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be - gin - ning, is
now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men. A - men.

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in G major and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of staves, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal lines.

WORDS: Lesser Doxology, 3rd-4th cent.
MUSIC: Charles Meineke, 1844

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SERMON

"Mystery of the Kingdom"

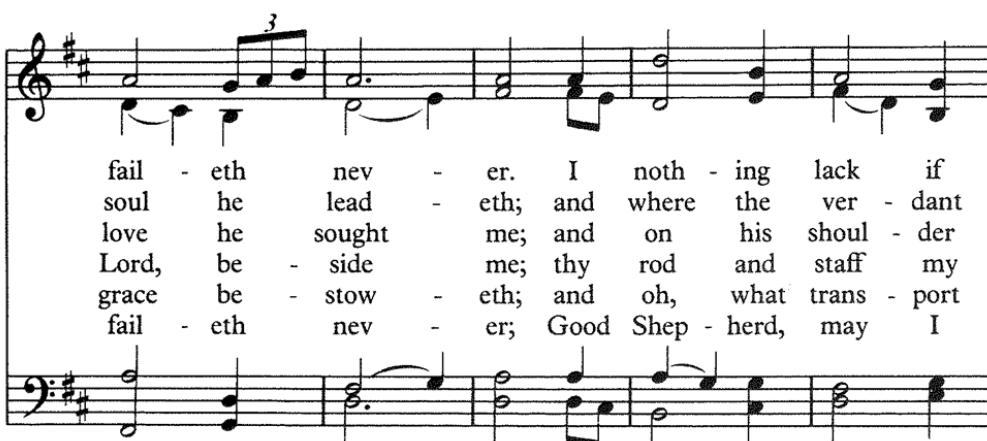
THE CHURCH RESPONDS TO THE WORD OF GOD

*HYMN NO. 138

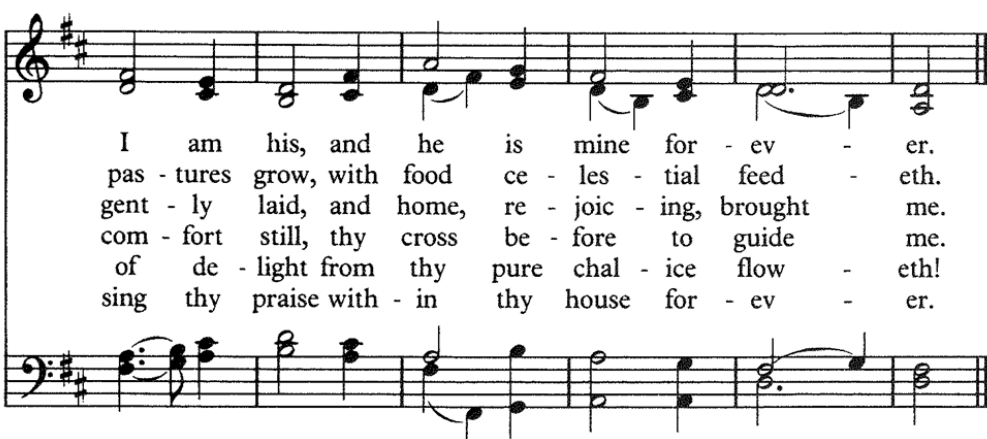
138 The King of Love My Shepherd Is



1. The King of love my shep - herd is, whose good - ness
2. Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, my ran - somed
3. Per - verse and fool - ish, oft I strayed, but yet in
4. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear
5. Thou spreadst a ta - ble in my sight; thy unc - tion
6. And so through all the length of days, thy good - ness



fail - eth nev - er. I noth - ing lack if
soul he lead - eth; and where the ver - dant
love he sought me; and on his shoul - der
Lord, be - side me; thy rod and staff my
grace be - stow - eth; and oh, what trans - port
fail - eth nev - er; Good Shep - herd, may I



I am his, and he is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, with food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid, and home, re - joic - ing, brought me.
com - fort still, thy cross be - fore to guide me.
of de - light from thy pure chal - ice flow - eth!
sing thy praise with - in thy house for - ev - er.

WORDS: Henry W. Baker, 1868 (Ps. 23)
MUSIC: Irish Melody; harm. from *The English Hymnal*, 1906

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PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE
Sharing of Joys and Concerns

PRAYER SONG

He Is Lord

He is Lord, He is Lord! He is ris - en from the

dead and he is Lord! Ev - 'ry knee shall bow, ev - 'ry

tongue con - fess That Je - sus Christ is Lord.

Text: Based on Philippians 2:11
Tune: HE IS LORD, 6 11 10 6; traditional

Words and Music: Traditional, Arr. Tom Fettke

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Invitation to Prayer:

Leader: "The Lord be with you "

People: "And also with you..."

[The Lord's Prayer](#)

(UMH p. 895)

PRAYER SONG *(from above)*

[Presentation of Tithes and Offerings](#)

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OFFERTORY MUSIC

DOXOLOGY


THE GLORY OF THE TRIUNE GOD

94 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

Unison



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;




praise God, all creatures here below:

Harmony




Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison



Praise God, the source of all our gifts!



Praise Je - sus Christ, whose power up - lifts!

Refrain (Harmony)



Praise the Spir - it, Ho - ly Spir - it! Al - le - lu - ia!

Unison



Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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Offertory Prayer:

THE CHURCH IS SENT TO SERVE

*HYMN OF DEDICATION

10,000 REASONS (*Bless the Lord*)

VERSE 1

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me
Let me be singing when the evening comes

Chorus

*Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul
Worship His holy name
Sing like never before O my soul
I'll worship Your holy name*

VERSE 2

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger
Your name is great and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

VERSE 3

And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near, and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore

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*Benediction

Voluntary

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Looking Ahead

Readings for December 1, 2024

The First Sunday in Advent

[Jeremiah 33:14-16 / Psalm 25: 1-10](#)

[1 Thessalonians 3:9-13 / Luke 21:25-36](#)

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