

CARMICHAEL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 23, 2025

Livestream & In-Person

<u>10:00 a.m.</u>

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ivan N. Herman

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MOMENT FOR CPC

Stained Glass History

Jimmi Mishler

* GREETING ONE ANOTHER

INTROIT

"He Is King of Kings"

African-American spiritual

Sanctuary Choir

Refrain: He is King of kings; he is Lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.
He is King of kings; he is Lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.
He built his throne up in the air; no one works like him;
and called his saints from everywhere; no one works like him.
O he is King of kings; he is Lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.

Refrain

I know that my Redeemer lives; no one works like him; and by his love sweet blessing gives; no one works like him.

O he is King of kings; he is Lord of lords,
Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.

Refrain

* CALL TO WORSHIP (from Luke 1:68)

Kathy Lewis

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for God has looked favorably on God's

people and redeemed them.

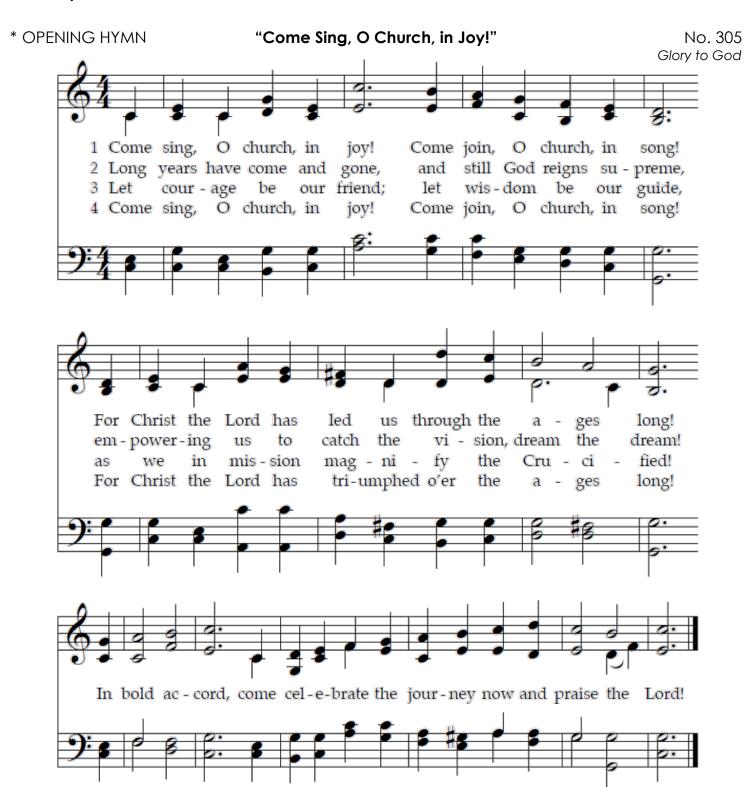
People: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

Leader: for God has called us God's own beloved and called each of us by name.

People: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

Leader: for God has blessed God's creation and called us to worship.

People: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel!



CONFESSION AND PARDON

Leader:

We do not confess our sins in the *hope* of forgiveness; we confess our sins with the *certainty* of forgiveness. For the apostle Paul assures us that we have been rescued from the power of darkness, and transferred into the kingdom of God's beloved son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. And so with that promise, that assurance, that redemption, we confess our sins before God and one another.

All:

Holy God, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the king and model for our lives. We have been quick to call on others to follow the ways of Christ yet slow to do the same. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness yet quiet when it comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christlike in word, in deed, and in spirit.

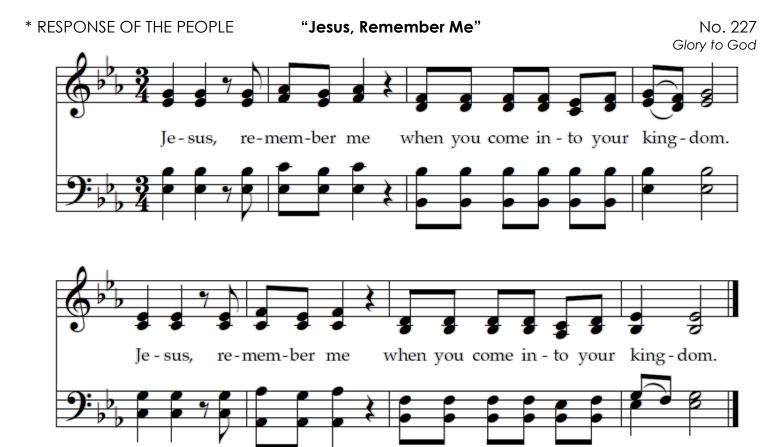
silence

Leader: All things in heaven and on earth are reconciled to God in Jesus Christ.

Forgiveness is ours through faith in the Lord, in whom God was pleased to dwell.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace.

People: Alleluia! Amen.



"In Thee Almighty King"

Sanctuary Choir

In Thee, Almighty King what majesties abound, within Thy kingdom there is peace and glories all around Thy name we all exalt, to Thee we gladly sing, proclaiming honor, love, and power in Thee almighty king.

In Thee O Precious Lord is found redeeming grace, Thy cleansing blood was freely giv'n to save a sinful race.

So now we humbly stand to sing in one accord, eternal joy and endless life in Thee O Precious Lord!

In Thee exalted Son eternal life is found, for death has lost the victory and Thy head has been crowned

Let all creation praise Thy name O Living One! With grateful hearts we now rejoice in Thee exalted Son, in Thee

O Precious Lord, in The Almighty King!

TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

(Children are invited to the front of the church. Afterwards, children 4 years old through 5th grade are invited to Sunday School in Room 205 and Room 207.

SONG "Lord, Reign in Me" Brenton Brown

Over all the earth You reign on high Every mountain stream, every sunset sky But my one request, Lord, my only aim Is that You reign in me again

Lord, reign in me, reign in your power
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour
You are the Lord of all I am, so won't You reign in me again?

Over every thought, over every word May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord You mean more to me than any earthly thing So won't You reign in me again?

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SCRIPTURE READING Luke 23:33-43

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

* SONG

"Only King Forever"

Steven Furtick, Chris Brown, Wade Joye, and Mack Brock

Our God a firm foundation.
Our rock, the only solid ground
As nations rise and fall
Kingdoms once strong now shaken,
But we trust forever in Your name
The name of Jesus. We trust the name of Jesus

You are the only King forever! Almighty God we lift You higher! You are the only King forever! Forevermore, You are victorious. You are the only King forever! Almighty God we lift You higher! You are the only King forever! Forevermore, You are victorious.

Unmatched in all Your wisdom
In love and justice You will reign
And every knee will bow
We bring our expectations.
Our hope is anchored in Your name
The name of Jesus. We trust the name of Jesus

You are the only King forever! Almighty God we lift You higher! You are the only King forever! Forevermore, You are victorious. You are the only King forever! Almighty God we lift You higher! You are the only King forever! Forevermore, You are victorious.

We lift our banner high.
We lift the name of Jesus
From age to age You reign.
Your kingdom has no end
We lift our banner high.
We lift the Name of Jesus.
From age to age You reign.
Your kingdom has no end

You are the only King forever! Almighty God we lift You higher! You are the only King forever! Forevermore, You are victorious. You are the only King forever! Almighty God we lift You higher! You are the only King forever! Forevermore, You are victorious.

OFFERTORY

"Trumpet Tune on 'Old Hundredth"

arr. David Lasky

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor:

Loving God, you have assured us that the days are surely coming when your people will know peace, your people will know justice, your people will know righteousness. Confident in your promises, we proclaim with faith: the Lord is our righteousness.

You have assured us that a leader will come to rule with wisdom. We pray this day for those in particular need of justice, righteousness, and mercy. We pray for the trampled, the ignored, the brushed aside. We pray for the homeless, the loveless, and the health-less. We pray for leaders in governments, homes, communities, and schools, that they may know the influence of wisdom rather than power; and declare with faith:

People: The Lord is our righteousness.

Pastor: You have assured us of the salvation and safety of your people. We pray this

day for those who only know violence: those whose countries have been torn apart by invasion, civil war, and private armies; those whose communities have been forgotten by all but the warlords and gangs; those whose homes are places of danger and fear rather than sanctuary and love. May they declare

with certitude:

People: The Lord is our righteousness.

Pastor: God of all creation, we pray this day for the reign of Jesus the Christ. We pray

that in the midst of chaos we might hear Jesus' words to us, that in the middle of heartache we might know Jesus' presence, and in the midst of a cacophony of

voices we might proclaim:

People: The Lord is our righteousness.

Pastor: Now hear us as we pray the prayer Jesus taught his disciples, saying:

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory

forever. Amen.

If you would like to privately share a concern, thanksgiving, or request for healing, please come to the Stephen Ministry banner on the east wall of the Sanctuary immediately following the service for individual prayer with a Stephen Minister.



* POSTLUDE

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Graham Kendrick

* Please rise in body or in spirit.
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