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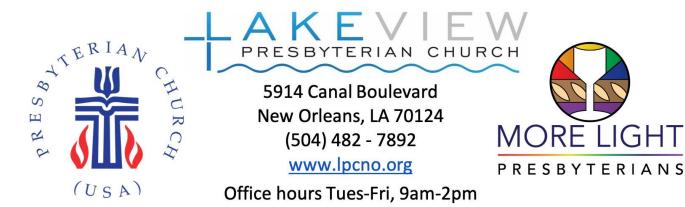
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# Reign of Christ Sunday

November 26, 2023 10:30am

# **GATHER**

#### WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

## **PRELUDE**

\*CALL TO WORSHIP Litany for the Reign of Christ Reuben Chrestman

Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice!

Christ will reign forever and ever.

The Lord is robed in majesty and girded in strength.

Christ will reign forever and ever.

God has established the world, and God's realm will never be shaken.

Christ will reign forever and ever.

God will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

Christ will reign forever and ever.

The kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord.

Christ will reign forever and ever.

#### \*PROCESSION OF THE GARLANDS AND NATIVITY CRECHE

Processional Hymn Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

No. 93

#### PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we 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.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON** 

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<sup>\*</sup>You are invited to stand.

Please join in saying/singing aloud the responses printed in bold.

\*RESPONSE TO PARDON Gloria, gloria No. 583

Gloria, gloria, in excelsis Deo!

Gloria, gloria, alleluia, alleluia!

\*PROCESSION OF THE CHRISMONS

Processional Hymn Prepare the Way, O Zion No. 106

**PROCLAIM** 

TIME WITH CHILDREN

\*HANGING OF THE WREATHS

Hymn O Lord, How Shall I Meet You No. 104

At this time, you are invited to either remain in your pew and sing the hymn or find a wreath on the back rows of pews to hang along the side of the sanctuary. Children Pre-K - 4th grade are dismissed for Sunday school and may be picked up after worship is over.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

READINGS FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE

First Reading: 2 Kings 22:1-10 NRSVue

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

Second Reading: 2 Kings 22:11 – 23:3 NRSVue

Holy Wisdom, Holy Word.

Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE A Pretty Good King Rev. Alex Lee-Cornell

\*HYMN OF RESPONSE Come Now, O Prince of Peace No. 103

## **RESPOND**

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

God has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers-all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Offertory

\*DOXOLOGY No. 606

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

#### \*PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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\*SENDING HYMN Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun verses 1, 2 and 5 only

No. 265

\*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

**POSTLUDE** 

Colossians 1:13-20

Worship may be over, but our **service** has just begun.

## **REMINDER:**

There will be <u>NO worship service in the LPC sanctuary next Sunday</u>, 12/3! We will worship at <u>10:00am</u> across the street at St. Luke's United Methodist, together with our neighbor congregations, Grace Lutheran and St. Luke's.