

#### November 22, 2020

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

#### Psalm 100:1

Welcome home! It is good to have you here with us again, gathering as the body of Christ, worshiping His holy name and praising God for all His amazing blessings.

We are excited to return to worship, though we may have feelings of anxiousness. There are guidelines that we would like to ensure remain in place as we return to worship to guarantee everyone's well being and safety. Below you will see some of the protocols that we will be enforcing for the duration of COVID-19.

- We are blessed to have such a large space to worship in, we ask that you maintain a social distance of at least 6 feet from one another. Families may worship together.
- Please wear a face covering at all times while on Campus.
- Around the sanctuary you will see resources that may be useful to you, such as disinfecting wipes, gloves, and hand sanitizing stations. All of these are for you to use!
- We ask that you enter one way, and exit another. Please follow the traffic flow so we can ensure everyone maintains social distancing while moving about the sanctuary.
- Restrooms are available, though we are trying to limit the usage of those facilities in efforts to stop the spread of COVID-19.

For more information regarding the reopening of our campus please take a copy of the full congregational packet, which can be found in the narthex.

#### **Prelude**

| You Won't Find A Friend Like Jesus  | Roland Carter  |
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| Balm In Gilead                      | H. T. Burleigh |
| Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burning | Uzee Brown, Jr |
| Gonna Shout All Over God's Heaven   | Uzee Brown, Jr |

### Ringing of the Bell

10:30 AM

#### Welcome

Please stand

Call to Worship

BJ Snyder

Like lost lambs or scattered sheep, the Lord seeks us and calls us home.

"I will gather them from far and near," says the Lord.

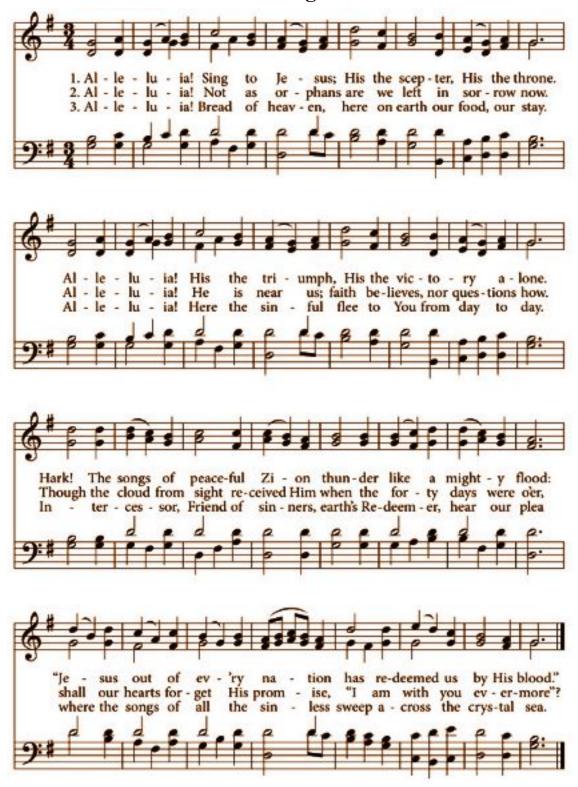
A cherished fold, a beloved flock, the Lord sustains us and gives us rest.

"I will be their shepherd," says the Lord

We listen for the voice of the God who seeks us, and follow with devotion and gratitude!

<sup>&</sup>quot;I will search for my sheep," says the Lord.

### Alleluia! Sing to Jesus



#### **Prayer of Confession**

God of mercy, who has compassion for the lost and the least, in disbelief and denial, we ask: "When did we see you among us?" We should have seen you in the classmate on the playground whom we did not invite to join our game. Or in the stranger on the sidewalk whom we crossed the street to avoid. Or in the neighbor at the nursing home, whom we left to carry her pain alone. We should have seen you in the man begging for work or a warm meal, in the woman struggling to overcome addiction, in the child seeking refuge from the terrors of violence. But, instead, we turned away. Forgive us, Lord Break our hearts for what breaks yours, and give us compassion and courage to respond to the suffering of this world.

Amen.

# **Silent Prayers of Confession**

#### **Declaration of Pardon**

Please stand

### **Passing of Peace**

Please remain standing

#### 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.

Please be seated

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

BJ Snyder

Lord, reign in our hearts and open our souls to your Truth and the lessons You hold for us this day. In Jesus' name we pray.

Amen.

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

This is the word of the LORD

Thanks be to God

Psalm 100 BJ Snyder

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.

It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

**The Second Lesson** Ephesians 1:15-23 BJ Snyder

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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Thanks be to God

#### Children's Message

Stephanie DeGeneste

This happened the other night, and perhaps you had the same experience, too; if not a few days ago, at some other time. The wind was howling and the rain was pounding heavily against the windows. All of a sudden the lights flickered as if to signal we may be in for a power outage.

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 25:31 - 46 Rev. Lynn Santulli

'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, "Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me." Then the righteous will answer him, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" And the king will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Then he will say to those at his left hand, "You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me." Then they also will answer, "Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?" Then he will answer them, "Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

This is the word of the LORD

Thanks be to God

#### Sermon

Please stand as we sing the Sermon Hymn

### The King of Love My Shepherd Is



- 5 Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thine unction grace bestoweth; And, oh, what transport of delight From Thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise Within Thy house forever!

Please remain standing as we profess our faith

#### **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 at 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.

Please be seated

#### **Announcements**

#### **Invitation to the Offering**

During this pandemic we are very grateful for your offering and ask you to hold your offering and place it in the offering plate as you exit the sanctuary after worship. May you be blessed as you seek to be a blessing to others.

### **Anthem** The King of Love my Shepherd is *C. Gounod*

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never. I nothing lack if I am His, and He is mine forever. Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul He leadeth; and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth. Perverse and foolish, oft I strayed, but yet in love He sought me; and on His shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me. In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with Thee, dear Lord, beside me; Thy rod and staff my comfort still, Thy cross before to guide me. Thou spreadst a table in my sight; Thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from Thy pure chalice floweth! And so through all the length of days, Thy goodness faileth never; Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise within Thy house forever.

Please stand for the Doxology

### **Doxology**

### **Prayer of Dedication**

Darcella Sessomes

Please be seated

### **Prayers of the People**

Health Issues: Brian, Anthony, The Beaucasan Family, Leon Edwards, Cynthia, Elaine Duesbury, Frank, Drew Moore, Candyce Norris, Terry, Janie Whiteford, Henry Ward, Jr., Jay and daughter, Bob Newell, Kassi and Family, Juliet Fydrich, Michael R., the Carlson family, Karen West, Lindsey Loftons, Brenda Hopper, Thomas West Jr., Marlotte Troy Williams, Thylene Torres' mother, the DeGeneste family, Barbara & Craig Wensberg, Tom Holleran, Janet Miller, Georgiana Manu.

**Homebound (including due to COVID):** Sonnia Cook, Gloria Laube, Winnie Neal, Joan Williams, Jack Shuster.

**World Issues:** For justice for all peoples; for our nation; for courage and wisdom for our leaders, for the election.

### 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 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.

### **Crown Him With Many Crowns**



**Benediction** Rev. Lynn Santulli

**Postlude** Improvisation on Emmanuel *C.J.S. Kuzepski* 

# **Worship Leaders**

Rev. Lynn Santulli Pastor

Darcella Sessomes Pastoral Associate

Cameron J. S. Kuzepski Director of Music

Stephanie DeGeneste Director of Children's Ministries

BJ Snyder Lector

BJ Snyder, Jacque Archer Kennedy Counters

Pat Baker, Noelle Perrine Greeters

Cecilia Tucker Soloist

Next Sunday: November 29, 2020

Nick Stevens Lector

Henry Ward, Emily Upton Counters

Emily Upton, BJ Snyder Greeters

Gus Mercante Soloist

If you are interested in joining our Zoom meetings on Wednesdays and Thursdays at noon, please contact Pastor Lynn for more details.

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#### **Christ. the King!**

Generation upon generation.

Century after century.

Israel and Judah anointed

king after king after king

in a particular time of a particular reign

to rule over God's earthly kingdom

for the people He had brought up out of Egypt

from the bonds of slavery.

But sometimes.

sometimes God's beloved chosen and His anointed kings were a stiff necked and rebellious people, ignoring the covenant of old received in the desert of their wanderings and running off in pursuit of other gods...
turned, turned away from the love their God and Creator had so wished to share with them.

Forever.

And thus it came to be...
in God's own chosen time and
His own chosen way...
the reign of His chosen anointed earthly kings
had to forever come to an end.
Hence, Heaven opened her portals to earth as
the Very and Only King of Heaven itself
descended to earth as a baby...
a baby born in a tiny manger in a tiny stable
far removed from any earthly throne or palace...
the One and True Anointed King

appearing in this world to reconcile heaven and earth and draw His beloved people once more unto Himself.

Yet, many of His own recognized Him not as the Anointed One, the Christ, the King of all kings...
Christ the King!
Christ the King of Heaven and earth.

Though rejected by many of His beloved chosen,
many in the Gentile nations
came to recognize and believe...
this Anointed One
was truly the Son of God,
the Christ,
the long awaited One,
the long expected One,
the Savior of the nations,
the King of Kings.

Now!

Believers of all times and all places rejoice and raise their voices in loud alleluias, proclaiming...

Christ is...

King of kings.

Christ is...

Christ the King!

Christ. the King of kings!

Christ. the King!

Now!

Now! and forevermore.

Christ! the King!

# **Upcoming Sundays You Won't Want to Miss!**



### **Advent begins November 29**

Enter into the season of Advent with joy and thanksgiving. Our theme for this year is 'A Weary World Rejoices'



Help trim our tree! When you come to worship on November 29th, the first Sunday of Advent, our CAPC Christmas tree will be waiting for you in the narthex. Please bring one of your own ornaments and hang it on the tree for everyone to enjoy. Kindly take it back home with you at the end of the Christmas season unless you'd like to donate it to the church.



# Support CAPC's Living Market Heifer Drive 2020



Our church is partnering with Heifer International to donate livestock to distressed communities throughout the world.

Purchase shares of cows, goats, beehives, & more.
The Heifer International display & order forms will be in the
Narthex on two Sundays: November 22nd & 29th.











#### **FLOWER DONATIONS**



Chancel flowers are a lovely and special Sunday morning addition to our beautiful sanctuary. Please consider choosing a week to donate flowers to commemorate a special event, to honor someone, in memory of loved ones or to the Glory of God. Flowers ordered through the church are \$70 and include two seasonal arrangements and delivery. You may also purchase and bring your own arrangements. (Costco is a popular source!) You may take the flowers home with you or leave them for delivery to our homebound members or someone who needs cheer. We would all love to see flowers every week! Please use the flower chart on the hallway bulletin board; or use an order form (also found on the bulletin board); or contact BJ Snyder at dillyanwen@aol.com or 908-229-6808.

OR.....make a donation to the CAPC Flower Fund so we can beautify our Chancel with flowers for all CAPC special occasions! Your name will appear in the bulletin as a donor for our next upcoming event.



#### CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

It is the CAPC tradition at Christmas to beautify the Sanctuary Chancel with red poinsettias.

For those who wish to honor or memorialize loved ones by dedicating these lovely flowers, please place a check with the order form below in the offering plate NO LATER THAN SUNDAY DECEMBER 13TH. The suggested contribution is \$10 per plant. Any additional contributions will support CAPC'S Flower Ministry. Dedications will appear in the bulletin Sunday December 20th.

Following the service, you may take your plant(s) with you, or they will be distributed to those members and friends of the congregation who are homebound or ill.

| Thank                             | c you. CAPC Flower Ministry |       |
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| Questions? Contact BJ Snyder, 908 | 8-229-6808                  |       |
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| GIVEN BY:                         |                             |       |
| DEDICATION: "IN HONOR OF"         |                             |       |
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