



RESURRECTION  
PHILADELPHIA

Sunday November 21, 2021  
Christ the King

Ephesians: The Spiritual Church  
“THE WHOLE ARMOR OF GOD”

## Welcome.

Thanks for joining us today for worship! We hope you find Resurrection Philadelphia to be a warm, welcoming community--regardless of your background, beliefs, or life situation. To that end, we recognize that certain parts of the service may feel unfamiliar, so we've provided brief explanations throughout the bulletin.

Our worship is "liturgical." The Greek word "leitourgia" means a public work, the work of the people. Liturgical worship begins with God's call upon us, his meeting with us, speaking among us, and ministering to us. The flow of our liturgy aims at drawing us further into the life of the Trinity and then moving us outward into our world.

Please visit our website [resurrectionphl.org](http://resurrectionphl.org) for more information about worship and ways to connect further to this church community. We are glad you are joining us and look forward to meeting you.

— The Pastoral Staff  
Chris Currie, Scott Jennings

## Reflection

All persons are formed spiritually. It may be in either a positive or negative direction. This formation may involve the cultivation of virtues that promote trust in God and foster social compassion or may leave persons wary, self-protective, and unable to promote the welfare of society.

-James C. Wilhoit, *Spiritual Formation as if the Church Mattered*

## Church Calendar

ADVENT

CHRISTMAS

EPIPHANY

LENT

EASTER

PENTECOST

**ORDINARY TIME**

***Christ the King Sunday***

The annual cycle of the Church's year now ends with the Feast of Christ the King. The year that begins with the hope of the coming Messiah ends with the proclamation of his universal sovereignty. The ascension of Christ has revealed him to be Lord of earth and heaven, and final judgement is one of his proper kingly purposes. The Feast of Christ the King returns us to the Advent theme of judgement, with which the cycle once more begins.

# Welcome

## Opening Song

*Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious*

Thomas Kelly, William H. Monk



1. Look, ye saints! the sight is glor - ious: see the Man of Sor - rows now;
2. Crown the sa - vior! an - gels, crown him; rich the tro - phies Je - sus brings;
3. Sin - ners in de - ri - sion crowned him, mock - ing thus the sav - ior's claim;
4. Hark, those bursts of ac - cla - ma - tion! Hark, those loud tri - umphant chords!



from the fight re - turned vic - tor - ious, ev - 'ry knee to him shall bow;  
in the seat of pow'r en - throne him, while the vault of hea - ven rings;  
saints and an - gels crowd a - round him, own his ti - tle, praise his name;  
Je - sus takes the high - est sta - tion; O what joy the sight af - fords!



Crown him, crown him, crowns be - come the vic - tor's brow.  
Crown him, crown him, crown the sa - vior King of kings.  
Crown him, crown him, spread a - broad the vic - tor's fame.  
Crown him, crown him, King of kings and Lord of lords!

## Opening of Worship

Grace, mercy, and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**All And also with you.**

Give the king your justice, O God,

**All and your righteousness to a king's son.**

May he defend the cause of the poor of the people,

**give deliverance to the needy, and crush the oppressor.**

In his days may righteousness flourish and peace abound,

**until the moon is no more.**

May he have dominion from sea to sea,

**and from the River to the ends of the earth.**

May his name endure forever,

his fame continue as long as the sun.

**May all nations be blessed in him;**

**may they pronounce him happy.**

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

**who alone does wondrous things.**

*from Psalm 72*

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

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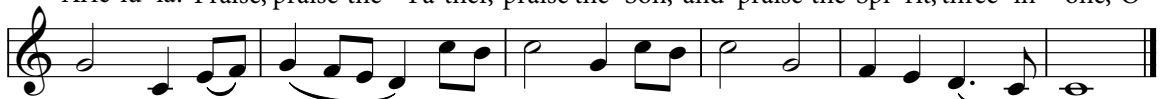
Francis of Assisi, Jonathan Gilley



1. All ye who are of ten der heart, for- giv ing oth- ers take your part. Sing his prais- es,  
2. Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and worship him with hum ble ness! O\_\_ praise him,



Alle-lu ia! Ye, who long pain and sor- row bear, praise God and on him cast your care! O  
Alle-lu ia! Praise, praise the Fa ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi- rit, three in one, O



praise him! O\_\_ praise\_\_ him! Al- le - lu - ia! Al- le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him! O\_\_ praise\_\_ him! Al- le - lu - ia! Al- le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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## GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

*Throughout Scripture, when people find themselves in God's presence, they sense how far short they fall and become aware of their own shame and brokenness. In the same way, we make a confession of sin, both as a community and also silently as individuals. In this, we remember that God is always ready, by his mercy and grace, to forgive us.*

## Confession of Sin

The kingdom is yours,  
but we turn away from your just rule:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

The power is yours,  
but we trust in our own power and strength:  
Christ, have mercy.

**All Christ, have mercy.**

The glory is yours,  
but we fall short of the glory of God:  
Lord, have mercy.

**All Lord, have mercy.**

*Silence is kept.*

## Words of Comfort and Assurance of Pardon

May almighty God,  
who in Jesus Christ has given you  
a kingdom that cannot be destroyed,  
forgive you your sins,  
open your eyes to God's truth,  
strengthen you to do God's will,  
and give you the joy of his kingdom,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All Amen.**

# Song of Praise and Adoration

## Wood and Nails

Keith Watts, Isaac Wardell, Madison Cunningham

1. O hum ble car pen ter, down on your hands and knees, look on your handiwork  
2. O lov-ing la-bor-er with the sweat up on your face, oh build a tab-le that  
and build a house so you may dwell in me, so you may dwell in me.  
I too may join you in the Fath-er's place, oh in the Fath-er's place!

(1,2) The work was done with noth ing but wood and nails  
The king dom's come and built up-on wood and nails  
The dead will rise and give you praise: wood and nails  
The curse is done, the bat-tle won, swords bent down

in your scar borne hands. O show me how to work and praise  
gripped with joy ful-ness, so send me out with-in your ways,  
will not hold them down! These wood-en tombs, we'll break them soon  
in-to plow-shares, your scarborne hands, we'll join with them,

trust-ing that I am your in-stru-ment.  
know-ing that the task is fin-ished.  
and fash-ion them in-to flow-er-beds.  
serv-ing at the tab-le you've pre-pared.

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## Passing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All** And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.



# The Word of God

*New Testament reading:* Ephesians 6:10-24

<sup>10</sup>Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power.

<sup>11</sup>Put on the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. <sup>12</sup>For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. <sup>13</sup>Therefore take up the whole armor of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. <sup>14</sup>Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. <sup>15</sup>As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. <sup>16</sup>With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. <sup>17</sup>Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. <sup>18</sup>Pray in the Spirit at all times in every prayer and supplication. To that end keep alert and always persevere in supplication for all the saints.

<sup>19</sup>Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, <sup>20</sup>for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it boldly, as I must speak. <sup>21</sup>So that you also may know how I am and what I am doing, Tychicus will tell you everything. He is a dear brother and a faithful minister in the Lord. <sup>22</sup>I am sending him to you for this very purpose, to let you know how we are, and to encourage your hearts. <sup>23</sup>Peace be to the whole community, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>24</sup>Grace be with all who have an undying love for our Lord Jesus Christ.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

GOD SPEAKS TO US  
IN HIS WORD

*In the public reading of the word of God and its exposition in the sermon, God shares the story of his saving mission in Jesus, encouraging us to join in that mission and orienting us again to his priorities.*

*Gospel reading:* Luke 21:29-36

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

**All** **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>29</sup>Then (Jesus) told them a parable: “Look at the fig tree and all the trees; <sup>30</sup>as soon as they sprout leaves you can see for yourselves and know that summer is already near. <sup>31</sup>So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that the kingdom of God is near. <sup>32</sup>Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all things have taken place. <sup>33</sup>Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. <sup>34</sup>Be on guard so that your hearts are not weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and the worries of this life, and that day catch you unexpectedly, <sup>35</sup>like a trap. For it will come upon all who live on the face of the whole earth. <sup>36</sup>Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to escape all these things that will take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All** **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## Reflection

*“The Whole Armor of God”* – Rev. Chris Currie

## Creed

**All** **I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

## Prayers

*Members of the congregation lead us in prayer.*

We pray for this community of faith,  
that attentive to your word  
we may always worship in spirit and in truth.  
May your reign come.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those in positions of power,  
that they may govern with wisdom and integrity,  
serving the needs of their people.  
May your reign come.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for those whose commitment to truth  
brings them into conflict with earthly powers,  
that they may have the courage to endure.  
May your reign come.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

And for what else should we pray?

*Members of the congregation may add their own intercessions at  
this time, ending with,*

For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Having offered  
ourselves up in faith  
through the creed,  
affirming the power  
of God's redemption,  
we lift up the  
church, our world,  
and other needs to  
God in prayer for  
his provision and  
healing.*

Now gathering our prayers into one, let us pray boldly as our Savior has taught us:

**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 and ever.  
Amen.

## Communion

The Lord be with you.

**All** And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**All** We lift them to the Lord.

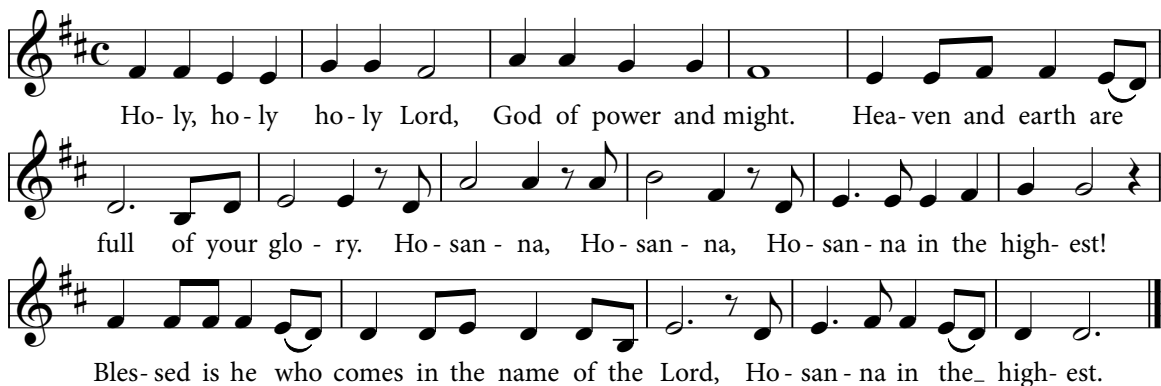
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** It is right to give thanks and praise.

## The Eucharistic Prayer

It is right, and a good and joyful thing,  
always and everywhere to give thanks to you,  
Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.  
For with the oil of gladness  
you have anointed Christ the Lord, your only Son,  
to be our great high priest and king of all creation.  
And so we gladly thank you,  
with saints and angels praising you and singing:

## Sanctus



Ho-ly, ho-ly ho-ly Lord, God of power and might. Hea-ven and earth are  
full of your glo-ry. Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na, Ho-san-na in the high-est!  
Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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*The minister concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
forever and ever.

**All Amen.**

*The minister speaks the Words of Institution.*

## Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All Christ has died:**

**Christ is risen:**

**Christ will come again.**

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**All Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

# Communion Song

*At the Name of Jesus*

Caroline Noel, Ralph Vaughan Williams



1. At the name of Je - sus ev' - ry knee shall bow,  
2. At his voice cre - a - tion sprang at once to sight,  
3. Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a name  
4. In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due  
5. Bro - thers, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



ev' - ry tongue con - fess - him King of glo - ry now;  
all the an - gel fa - ces, all the hosts of light,  
from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,  
all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true:  
with his Fa - ther's glo - ry, with his an - gel train;



'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord,  
thrones and do - mi - na - tions, stars up - on their way,  
faith - ful - ly he bore - it spot - less to the last,  
crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour:  
for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.  
all the heav'n - ly or - ders in their great ar - ray.  
brought it back vic - tor - ious, when from death he passed.  
let his will en - fold you in its light and pow'r.  
and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

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## Prayer after Communion

*All* God our Father,  
strengthen us by this meal,  
and help us to hear the call of Christ the King  
and to follow in his service,  
whose kingdom has no end.  
Amen.

# Blessing and Sending

## *Hail to the Lord's Anointed*

James Montgomery, Vito Aiuto



1. Hail to the Lord's a - noin - ted, great Da - vid's grea - ter\_ Son!
2. He comes in suc - cor spee - dy\_ to those who suf - fer\_ wrong;
3. He shall come down\_ like sho - wers up - on the fruit - ful\_ earth;
4. To him shall prayer\_ un - ceas - ing\_ and dai - ly vows as - cend;



Hail in\_ the time\_ ap - poin - ted, his reign on earth be - gun!  
to help the poor\_ and nee - dy\_ and bid the weak be strong;  
love, joy, and hope,\_ like flo - wers, spring in his path to birth.  
his king - dom still\_ in - creas - ing, a king - dom with - out end:



He comes to break\_ op - pres - sion, to set the cap - tive free;  
to give them songs\_ for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to\_ light,  
Be - fore him, on\_ the moun - tains, shall peace, the he - rald, go,  
the tide of time\_ shall ne - ver his cov - e - nant re - move;



to take a - way\_ trans - gres - sion and rule in e - qui - ty\_  
whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, were pre - cious in his sight.  
and right - eous - ness,\_ in foun - tains, from hill to val - ley flow.  
his name shall stand\_ for - e - ver, his name to us is\_ love.

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## Benediction

May Christ our exalted King  
pour upon you his abundant gifts  
and bring you to reign with him in glory;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

## Dismissal

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord  
and Savior Jesus Christ.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*If you'd like to contribute to the work of our church, you can do so  
at the address below or text any amount to the number 84321.  
[resurrectionphl.org/give](http://resurrectionphl.org/give)*



## Announcements

**Sign Up to Help Serve Thanksgiving Breakfast** We partner with Emmanuel Ministry to serve breakfast from our Center City building to our friends experiencing homelessness and food insecurity. Sign up through the event link at [resurrectionphl.org](http://resurrectionphl.org) under connect.

**Lessons & Carols Service, December 12 at 5 pm** Pick up postcards (see image below) in the back to help you invite friends to this annual event, which we will hold in Center City this year. (Note: in light of Lessons and Carols, there will not be morning worship services on December 12.)

**Opportunities to Serve and Support Ministry Partners** Several organizations we support have shared wishlists and/or volunteer needs with us. See the Resurrection News for details. If you don't receive our emails, sign up at: [resurrectionphl.org/signup](http://resurrectionphl.org/signup).

**Youth Bake Sale Coming Soon** The youth group is hosting a bake sale after each service on December 5. Plan to get something delicious and support the summer youth mission trip.

*Enter the wonder of the season.*  
**An Advent  
Service  
of Lessons  
& Carols**  
Dec. 12th at 5pm  
123 S 17th St, Philadelphia

Featuring traditional and lesser-known Christmas music arranged and performed by jazz, classical, indie, and folk musicians as well as readings that retell the story of Jesus.

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**RESURRECTION**  
**A**dvent **g**atherings

Sunday, November 21 at 4 pm  
Advent Wreath Making Workshop  
at Woodland Annex (42nd + Pine)  
\*registration required

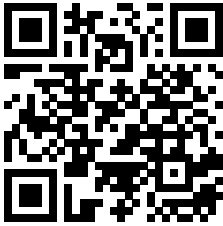
Sunday, December 12 at 5 pm  
A Service of Lessons & Carols  
With reception to follow  
at Center City Building (17th + Sansom)

Sunday, December 19 at 4 pm  
Carols, Cocoa & Cookies  
at Woodland Firepit (42nd + Pine)

Saturday, December 24 at 5 pm  
Christmas Eve Service  
With reception to follow  
at Center City Building (17th + Sansom)

More information at [resurrectionphl.org/advent](http://resurrectionphl.org/advent)

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Please provide us your feedback  
as we together seek to refine our  
gathered worship each week.

### **Musicians**

#### *Center City*

Sarah Long: guitar, voice

Ryan Dougherty: guitar, voice

Jessie J. Evans: bass

#### *West Philly*

Christopher McDonald: piano, voice

Veronica Jurkiewicz: viola, voice

Dan Blacksberg: trombone

Matt Engle: bass

### **Liturgist**

#### *Center City*

Arlene Navarro

#### *West Philly*

Katie Wildes

### **Scripture Reading**

#### *Center City*

Katie Burrows-Stone

#### *West Philly*

Katie Wildes

### **Celebrant**

Rev. Scott Jennings

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# Help us welcome you.

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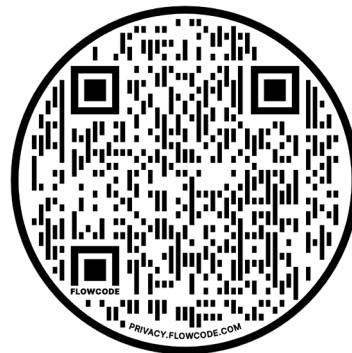
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Please send me:  Weekly Newsletter  Morning & Evening Prayer

## Please contact me about:

- Community Groups
- Neighborhood Service Opportunities
- Volunteering on Sundays
- Children's & Youth Ministries
- Meeting with a Pastor
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_



## Prayer Requests

*Our staff prays weekly on Tuesdays, and our deacons pray monthly on 4th Sundays.*

*Fill out your name above if you'd like to be prayed for by name.*

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