

SUNDAY WORSHIP BY ZOOM

Sunday, November 21, 2021 | Reign of Christ

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

OPENING SONG – King of My Heart

Let the King of my heart
Be the mountain where I run
The fountain I drink from
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the shadow where I hide
The ransom for my life
Oh He is my song

You are good good oh [x 4]

Let the King of my heart
Be the wind inside my sails
The anchor in the waves
Oh He is my song
Let the King of my heart
Be the fire inside my veins
The echo of my days
Oh He is my song

You're never gonna let
Never gonna let me down [x 4]

When the night is holding on to me
God is holding on
When the night is holding on to me
God is holding on

INTRODUCTORY RESPONSE

Lord, open our lips,
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

INVITATORY PSALM

God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God,
and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the
sheep of his hand.
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

APPOINTED PSALM

PSALM 93

The Lord reigns, he is robed in majesty;
the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength;
indeed, the world is established, firm and secure.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

Your throne was established long ago;
you are from all eternity.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

The seas have lifted up, Lord,
the seas have lifted up their voice;
the seas have lifted up their pounding waves.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

Mightier than the thunder of the great waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea—
the Lord on high is mighty.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

Your statutes, Lord, stand firm;
holiness adorns your house
for endless days.

The Lord shall reign for ever and ever.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever.
Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

A reading from Daniel, chapter 7, beginning at verse 9.

⁹ “As I looked,

“thrones were set in place,
and the Ancient of Days took his seat.
His clothing was as white as snow;
the hair of his head was white like wool.

His throne was flaming with fire,
and its wheels were all ablaze.

¹⁰ A river of fire was flowing,
coming out from before him.

Thousands upon thousands attended him;
ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.

The court was seated,
and the books were opened.

¹³ “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. ¹⁴ He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

The word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

SECOND READING

A reading from Revelation, chapter 1, beginning at verse 4.

^{4b} To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

⁷ “Look, he is coming with the clouds,”
and “every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him”;
and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.”
So shall it be! Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

The word of the Lord. / **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL READING

The Lord be with you
And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St. John, chapter 18, beginning at verse 33. / **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

³³ Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

³⁴ “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

³⁵ “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

³⁶ Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

³⁷ “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

The Gospel of Christ. / **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

SONG – Build My Life

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Let us confess our faith as we say,

**I believe in God,
the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He 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,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again
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.**

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Good and gracious God, your love is never-failing,
Your heart is open to us, your presence never leaves us;
Strengthen our faith, deepen our love for you
and keep us in your ways;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God for ever. **Amen.**

In peace let us pray to the Lord.
Lord have mercy.

For peace from on high and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world,
for the welfare of the holy Church of God,
and for the unity of all,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For bishop David,
and for all clergy and people,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For Elizabeth our Queen,
for the leaders of the nations,
and for all in authority,
let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For this place where we live,
for every city and community,
and for those who live in them in faith,

In our own parishes we pray especially for
Elmer & Sheila Chambers; Al & Nancy Clair.

let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who continue to be affected by the pandemic,
through illness or isolation or anxiety,
that they may find relief and recovery,
let us pray to the Lord

Lord, have mercy.

For our own needs and the needs of others,
for the lonely, the sick and the suffering ... (silent prayer)

For Clarence, Eldon, Barb, Ashley & Justin, Bill & Carolyn, Glenn, Dot, James ...

Together we pray, **Lord have mercy**

Remembering all the saints,
we commit ourselves, one another,
and our whole life to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord.

O Lord our God,
you call us in the depths of our being:
open our ears to your call,
open our hearts to your love,
open our minds to your will,
that we may know you and give ourselves
fully in your service,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you. **Amen**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

CLOSING SONG – Crown Him with Many Crowns (Majesty)

Crown Him with many crowns
The Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of Him who died for me
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity

Majesty Lord of all
Let ev'ry throne before Him fall
The King of kings
O come adore
Our God who reigns forevermore (forevermore)

Crown Him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those He came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

All hail Redeemer hail
For He has died for me
His praise and glory shall not fail
Throughout eternity

Praise God who reigns forevermore
You're the God who reigns forevermore

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Website

Check out "The Latest" on our homepage to keep updated on COVID-19, parish life, and weekly worship: www.watermark-parishes.ca.

Sunday Worship in November

November 28 Holy Communion at St. John's (9:30am)
Holy Communion at St. Mark's (11:00am)
December 5 Holy Communion at St. Mark's (8:00 & 11:00am)
Holy Communion at All Saints (9:30am)
December 12 Holy Communion at St. John's (9:30am)
Holy Communion at St. Mark's (11:00am)
December 17 Holy Communion at St. Mark's (8:00 & 11:00am)

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84656332115>

COVID-19 Update

Given that case numbers are decreasing in the province and most members in our parishes are now vaccinated, we will be moving to option 1 on November 28 (first Sunday in Advent). This means that we will require proof of vaccination (one time only) for all in-person gatherings. We will also be live streaming a worship service from St. Mark's each week for those who remain unvaccinated and others who would like to join in.

If you have any questions, please contact one of our wardens (Nancy – 647-0144; Blair – 434-2475; Marshall – 433-4517) or pastor Sean (434-4684). As always, let's continue to find ways to reach out and encourage one another in the days and weeks ahead. Many blessings everyone.

Long-term Debt at St. Mark's

Once again, we are considering the possibility of making a lump sum payment on the outstanding balance of the long-term loan for Saint Mark's renovation project. Here is a summary of where we stand:

- original loan June 2016 for \$270,000 with a 20 year amortization to June 2036.
- over four years we made lump sum payments of \$89,000. Savings in interest \$69,639.
- current balance owing as of Nov. 1, 2021 - \$119,439.

If we were able to pay a lump sum this year of \$20,000, we would save an additional \$6,300 in interest for the remaining course of the loan. This means that every \$100 saves us about \$31 in interest. It would also bring the balance of the loan to below \$100,000 with regular payments continuing for approximately 5 ½ years to June 2027.

If you feel led to make a special offering for this ministry, please mark it as 'rebuild'. All funds designated as such until November 26 will be used towards this payment.

Once again, I thank you all for your generous and thoughtful sacrifice. May we continue to use it in this place to honor and glorify God. Many blessings. – Pat McCaig

Advent Poetry and Prayer

Beginning Tuesday, November 16 at 7pm, we will be gathering weekly by Zoom to explore seven of Malcolm Guite's poems based on the seven Advent prayers known as the "O Antiphons". After reading and discussing the poems together each meeting, we will conclude our time with Compline prayer. All are welcome and no experience necessary! This is meant to be a time of rest and reflection midweek. Please feel free simply to listen in with your microphone and video turned off.

Dates: Tues, 7pm - Nov. 16, 23, 30, Dec. 7, 14, 21, 23 (Thursday)

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Volunteering Opportunity at St. Mark's!

With the return to regular in-person worship on November 28, we will be livestreaming each week from St. Mark's at 11am for those who are unable to join in because of restrictions or health concerns. This means that we will need one person to help out with video each Sunday. Please be in touch with Fr. Sean if you are willing to serve in this way. No experience necessary and all ages welcome!

Veggie Packs

The BPSA met this past week and has decided to forgo Veggie Packs this year due to the pandemic. Hopefully, we'll be able to get back to it next year! – Dale Reicker

Serving Together with the Salvation Army

For Advent this year, we will be partnering with the Salvation Army in Sussex in three ways:

1. *Volunteering for the annual kettle drive*
Please let Fr. Sean know if you would like to join in with a parish team or connect with the Salvation Army directly (433-2723)
2. *Purchasing and assembling care packages for teens*
 - Items to purchase: shampoo/conditioner, soap, toothbrush/toothpaste, lip balm, disposable razors, brushes/combs, etc.
 - Assembled and packaged in a Christmas gift bag at home
 - Approx. cost per kit: \$30-40
 - Dropped off at St. Mark's or St. John's Nov. 28-Dec. 12
3. *Participating in a parish toy drive*
We are waiting to hear what kind of toys to purchase. Please stay tuned! Items dropped off unwrapped at St. Mark's or St. John's Nov. 28-Dec. 12

Annual Christmas Dinner

We are still planning on having our annual Christmas dinner for our friends in need on Wednesday, December 15 by pickup or delivery at St. Mark's. Volunteers are needed to help with delivery and food provision. If you would like to help, please contact Anne Anderson at 433-0082.

Christmas Cupboard Boxes

Donations are welcome toward our Christmas cupboard boxes which will be delivered on Saturday, December 18. Each box includes a turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, potatoes, carrots, peas, turnips, squash, chocolates and a pie. If you would like to donate food items or money for the turkeys and/or know of a family in need, please contact Anne Anderson (433-0082) or Connie Friars (433-2782).

Carolling through Christmas

Given the ongoing pandemic, we won't be doing the Living Manger this year, but we still want to bless our friends and neighbors with the good news about Jesus, so we are planning on carolling in small groups a few times during the Christmas season (Dec. 26-Jan 5). We did this last year and it was so much fun! Stay tuned in the coming weeks for more details.