



Murray Presbyterian Church

*November 26, 2023 10am Worship
Twenty-sixth Sunday After Pentecost
Christ the King Sunday*

Welcome and Announcements

Moments of Silent Reflection

Ringling of the Tower Bell

*Call to Worship

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all you lands!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with a song.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God, our maker to whom we belong;
We are God's people and the sheep of God's pasture.

People: Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving and the courts with praise; Give thanks and bless God's holy name.

**All: Good indeed is the Lord, whose steadfast love is everlasting,
Whose faithfulness endures from age to age.**

From Psalm 100

*Hymn: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!"

PH 142

Prayer of Confession

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and 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.

Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

***Congregational Response: "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. Amen.

Scriptures: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24; Mathew 25:31-46

Sermon: "On Judgement Day"
Rev. Dr. Bob Keefer

*Hymn: "How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

PH 419

Prayers of the People 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 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.

Offering

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

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Hymn: "Lead On, O King Eternal"**

PH 447

***Benediction and Benediction Response**

**May the Lord, mighty God
Bless you and keep you forever
Grant you peace, perfect peace
Courage in every endeavor.**

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**Lift up your eyes and see His face
And his grace forever
May the Lord, mighty God
Bless you and keep you forever.**

***Please Stand if Able**

WC: Worshiping Church Hymnal (found on seat) PH: Presbyterian Hymnal (found in pew rack)

Announcements

SENCA Donation Theme for November: "Box Meals"

Our church's donation theme for the month of November is "Box Meals." We are asking for non-perishable items such as Hamburger Helper. These items will then be donated to the SENCA food pantry in Plattsmouth which serves Cass County.

Guest Preacher

Today we welcome the Rev. Dr. Bob Keefer as a guest preacher. Dr. Keefer retired last year after a long career in the Presbyterian ministry, culminating in his service at Presbyterian Church of the Master in Omaha. He has also been the stated clerk of our presbytery and currently serves on the working group for the Nicaragua partnership.

Advent Dinner

This year's Advent Dinner is Sunday, December 10, immediately following morning worship. There are still a few items left on the sign-up sheet on the back table. Regardless of whether you signed up for one of these items, please bring a side dish and join us for this traditional turkey dinner with all the fixings.

Project Angel Tree

Please consider purchasing a Christmas gift for a child in a local needy family. You can take a tag from the Angel Tree on the back and table and sign your name on the sheet. Please bring your unwrapped gifts to the church prior to December 17, along with a gift bag or some wrapping materials.

Church Outing

You're invited to join a group from the church going to the drive through live nativity and Santa's Wonderland at Scatter Joy Acres on December 16. We'll meet at the church and return to enjoy cookies and hot chocolate. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table.

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