

WORSHIP HANDOUT
Sunday November 20th
Christ the King Sunday



OPENING OF WORSHIP

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE Come, You Thankful People, Come arr. by Mark Bloedow
United Handbell Choir

SONG OF WELCOME Open Doors

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Lift up your hearts, people of God,
for the Lord has looked favorably upon us
and is sending us his beloved son.

**He is raising up for us a mighty savior
in the house of his servant David.**

God is showing the mercy promised to our ancestors,
and has remembered his holy covenant,
the oath he swore to our ancestors Abraham and Sarah,
that we might serve him without fear.

**We go before the Lord, following John the Baptist,
to prepare the way of the Lord.**

Come, let us worship God
and listen to the voice crying out in the wilderness.

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OPENING HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

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OPENING PRAYER

We bless you, our Lord God,
that you have come
and have redeemed your people,
raising up for us a strong savior
from the family of your servant David,
as you promised through your prophets long ago.

You have rescued us from the grip of our enemy;
you have enabled us to serve you without fear,
in holiness and righteousness before you
all our days.

We thank you that you have given to us, your people,
the knowledge of salvation
through the forgiveness of our sins;
and that by your tender mercy
the Sun has risen into heaven
to shine on all who live in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace. **Amen.**

~ written by Michael Perry. Posted on the **Jubilate** website. <http://www.jubilate.co.uk/>

SONG AS CHILDREN GATHER We Are the Church

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

ANTHEM

All Good Gifts

Claudius/ Barrett

TIME OF PRAYER

PASTORAL AND SILENT PRAYER (MUSIC)

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 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 and the power and the glory now and forever. Amen.

OFFERTORY

*DOXOLOGY

UMH 95

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.

*UNISON PRAYER

Almighty God,
giver of every good and perfect gift,
teach us to give to you all that we have and all that we are,
that we may praise you not with our words only,
but with our whole lives.

LESSON I Jeremiah 23:1-6 **CEB**

Watch out, you shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture, declares the Lord. 2 This is what the Lord, the God of Israel, proclaims about the shepherds who “tend to” my people: You are the ones who have scattered my flock and driven them away. You haven’t attended to their needs, so I will take revenge on you for the terrible things you have done to them, declares the Lord. 3 I myself will gather the few remaining sheep from all the countries where I have driven them. I will bring them back to their pasture, and they will be fruitful and multiply. 4 I will place over them shepherds who care for them. Then they will no longer be afraid or dread harm, nor will any be missing, declares the Lord.

5 The time is coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up a righteous descendant from David's line, and he will rule as a wise king. He will do what is just and right in the land. **6** During his lifetime, Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And his name will be **The Lord Is Our Righteousness**.

May God add a blessing to this reading.

***LESSON 2**

Luke 1:68-79 CEB

“Bless the Lord God of Israel

because he has come to help and has delivered his people.

69 He has raised up a mighty savior for us in his servant David's house,

70 just as he said through the mouths of his holy prophets long ago.

71 He has brought salvation from our enemies and from the power of all those who hate us.

72 He has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and remembered his holy covenant,

73 the solemn pledge he made to our ancestor **Abraham**.

He has granted **74** that we would be rescued from the power of our enemies

so that we could serve him without fear,

75 in holiness and righteousness in **God's** eyes, for as long as we live.

76 You, child, will be called a prophet of the **Most High**, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.

77 You will tell his people how to be saved through the forgiveness of their sins.

78 Because of our **God's** deep compassion, the dawn from heaven will break upon us,

**79 to give light to those who are sitting in darkness
and in the shadow of death,
to guide us on the path of peace.”**

L: This is the Word of God for all people.

P: Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE The Promise

*HYMN God of Love and God of Power UMH #578

BENEDICTION AND RESPONSE

Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service vs. 4 only

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POSTLUDE