

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 23, 2025

Prelude #95

Prepare the Way of the Lord

Evan O'Donovan

Welcome

Reverend Ed Hoener

Call To Worship:

O Christ, you are both Shepherd, and Sovereign. **You are our leader and savior.** You have shown us how to live according to God's will. **You give us your grace that helps us to change and grow.** You have called us to join you in building your kin-dom: a new community of love, compassion, and justice. **We give our hearts and lives to you, O God, and your mission!**

***Hymn of Praise #82**

Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Call to Reconciliation

Prayer of Reconciliation:

O God, you love us deeply and unconditionally, just as we are. At the same time, you long for nothing less than our growth in faith and faithfulness. You forgive us when we stray from your will. You renew your grace within us, so we can follow Christ. Like a shepherd, watch over us and lead us in right paths. Amen.

Silent Prayers

Assurance of Grace:

With love and mercy, Jesus restores our souls. **With grace and strength, the Spirit renews our capacity to serve God's kin-dom.**

***Response of Praise #742**

We Will Walk with God

Sharing the Peace of Christ:

Jesus is here among us, imparting grace! The Spirit is here among us, bestowing divine love. **God is here, giving us peace in our inmost being! Let us share the peace of Christ with one another!**

Scripture Reading

Luke 1:67-75

Ministry of Music #157

I Danced in the Morning vss. 1, 2, 4

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Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Message

Pastor Ed

***Hymn of Faith #301**

Let Us Build a House

Celebrating Passion Enterprises

Sharing what God has done in each other's lives is a source of encouragement, and reminds us that faith, and prayer and grace are at work! Please come to the lectern and share your testimony so that everyone may see and hear.

**If you can stand comfortably, please do so.*

Prayer Requests; Prayers of the People

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.**

Call to Offering

***Offering Song #710**

We are an Offering

We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering. Lord, use our voices, Lord, use our hands, Lord, use our lives, they are Yours, we are an offering. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be, we give to You, we give to You. We lift our voices, we lift our hands, we lift our lives up to You, we are an offering, we are an offering.

***Prayer of Dedication**

Announcements (pg. 4)

***Hymn of Response #273**

He Is King of Kings

Charge and Blessing

Postlude #227

Jesus, Remember Me

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Announcements

Thank you to Sara Pender & Cheryl Anne Cammann for running the projector & camera!

Join our Worship Support Team! For more information, ask the pastor or the technicians or call the church office.

Chair Yoga

The Chair Yoga sessions have begun. The morning session is on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m., the next session will be on Tuesday, November 25. The evening session will be on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. **STARTING** on Thursday, December 4th. Come join us ... all are welcome, bring 2 full water bottles to be used as weights or dumbbells if you have them.

Holiday Coffee Hour at the Manse

Ed & Diane invite you to the manse on Sunday, December 14, following worship. Dozens and dozens of cookies will be available for your taste-testing! Evan has arranged for a musical guest to attend as well!

Rahway's Best Holiday Events

We have been invited to attend and participate in two upcoming December events: 1) Pictures with Santa on Saturday, December 13th, from 4 pm – 6 pm, and 2) Fundraising Breakfast with the Grinch on Saturday, December 20th, from 9 am – 11 am. The Union Street Resource Center will be receiving half the proceeds of this event, which will go toward building operations. Speak to Cheryl Anne if you would like to volunteer to help.



Online Donations

PRAYER PERSONS OF THE WEEK

Carol & Jake Hayes

PRAYER REQUESTS

Simpson & Hartlaub families, the Ross, Hoener, & Pender families, Dante B., Portia, Kaiser, William S. Jr., Carol & Jake, Roberta D., Edna, Sue K., Agnes N. & family, Anne H., Flo, Leo & family, Mike & family, Savannah B. & family, Carole H., Becky, John, Sam, Michael, Sara & Joan P., Mary "Cookie" F., Nicole, Allison, Mary R., Helen, Logan, Harper, Helene & Diane, Dorothy R., Amy

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10:30 A.M.
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