KIRKPATRICK MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 22, 2026
Christ the King Sunday
Deacon's Sunday
9:30am
Rev. Dr. Barbara Booth-Jarmon

Preparation for Worship
Prelude
Welcome & Announcements

The Bells of Kirkpatrick "Duke Street" John Hanton, arr. C.R. Dare

Gathering of the People

Call to Worship

Liturgist: Come, let us worship Jesus Christ, our Lord and King!
People: **Christ is above every power and authority, now and forever.**
Liturgist: God has placed all things under Christ's feet and given Christ to the church as its head.
People: **We are the body of Christ, called to share his love with the world.**
Liturgist: Our King comes to us in the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the sick, and the imprisoned.
People: **Let us worship Christ our King by loving and serving our neighbors.**
All: Glory be to Christ, our Savior and King! Let us worship God!

***Gathering Songs**

"All Creatures of Our God and King" Arr. Fernando Ortega
"Rejoice, the Lord is King" Arr. Emu Music

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, our sovereign and gracious Lord, we confess that we do not always live as people of Your kingdom. We want to follow Christ when life is easy, but we hesitate when discipleship asks something of us. We confess that we sometimes worship Christ with our lips while withholding our love from our neighbors. We become so occupied with our own concerns that we fail to notice the people you have placed before us.

(Silent Confession)

Forgive us when we overlook the hungry, ignore the thirsty, turn away from strangers, forget the sick, or fail to remember those who are imprisoned or alone. Forgive us when we judge people by their circumstances instead of seeing them as your beloved child. Lord Jesus, our Shepherd and King, redirect our hearts. Teach us to see with Your eyes, to love with Your compassion, and to serve with Your humility. By your grace make us faithful citizens of Your kingdom, reflecting Your mercy in all that we do. In Your holy name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

*Please stand if you are able **Bold – Congregants speak.**

***Gloria Patri** Hymn #813

The Word

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Ephesians 1:15-23 p. 1156
Matthew 25:31-46 p. 984

Children's Sermon **"The King Among Us"** Pastor Barbara

Sermon **"Are You a Matthew 25 Christian?"** Pastor Barbara

Responding to the Word

***Hymn of Response** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #45

***Affirmation of Faith**

We trust in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, our Lord and Savior. God raised Him from the dead and exalted Him above every power and authority. He is the head of the church and the hope of the world.
In Christ, God's reign of justice, mercy, and peace is made known. We are called to follow Jesus, to love our neighbors, to stand with those who suffer, and to serve those whom the world overlooks.
We believe that Christ is Lord of all and that His kingdom will come in fullness. Until that day, may the Holy Spirit strengthen us to live as His faithful people, offering our lives in gratitude for God's amazing grace. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Invitation to Offering

***Doxology** #815

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, receive these gifts as signs of our gratitude and devotion. Use them to feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, comfort the suffering, and strengthen the ministry of Your church. Receive also the offering of our time, our talents, and our lives. May all that we give and all that we do bear witness to Jesus Christ, our Lord and King. Amen.

Sending

***Sending Hymn** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #43

Charge and Benediction

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Announcements

Prayer Concerns - If you are worshiping with us online, please use the chat feature to type your prayers and we will include your concerns.

Thanksgiving Eve Service: We invite you to join with us to begin the Thanksgiving holiday with a worship service on Wednesday evening, November 25 at 7:00 p.m. at Reaville Church. The Rev. John Potter will preach with the Rev. Charles A. Green also participating. Contact Norma Zimmerman for additional information.

🔔**The Bells of Kirkpatrick** Please contact Sharyn at (908) 399-3468 or sharydan@gmail.com if you'd like to join them next time they play.

Food Ministry: Thanks to the Women's Auxiliary at the Amwell Valley Fire Company for their generous donations towards our Food Ministry program. We are now collecting donations for our Christmas food giveaway. Please contact Sue King for additional information.

Flowers: Flowers for today's service have been provided by Pastor Barbara in recognition of the KMPC Deacons and all that they do. If you would like to beautify our worship space by contribution flowers, Gilded Lily will provide them for $20 each; choose if you'd like 1 or 2 arrangements. Please contact Sharyn to make arrangements.

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