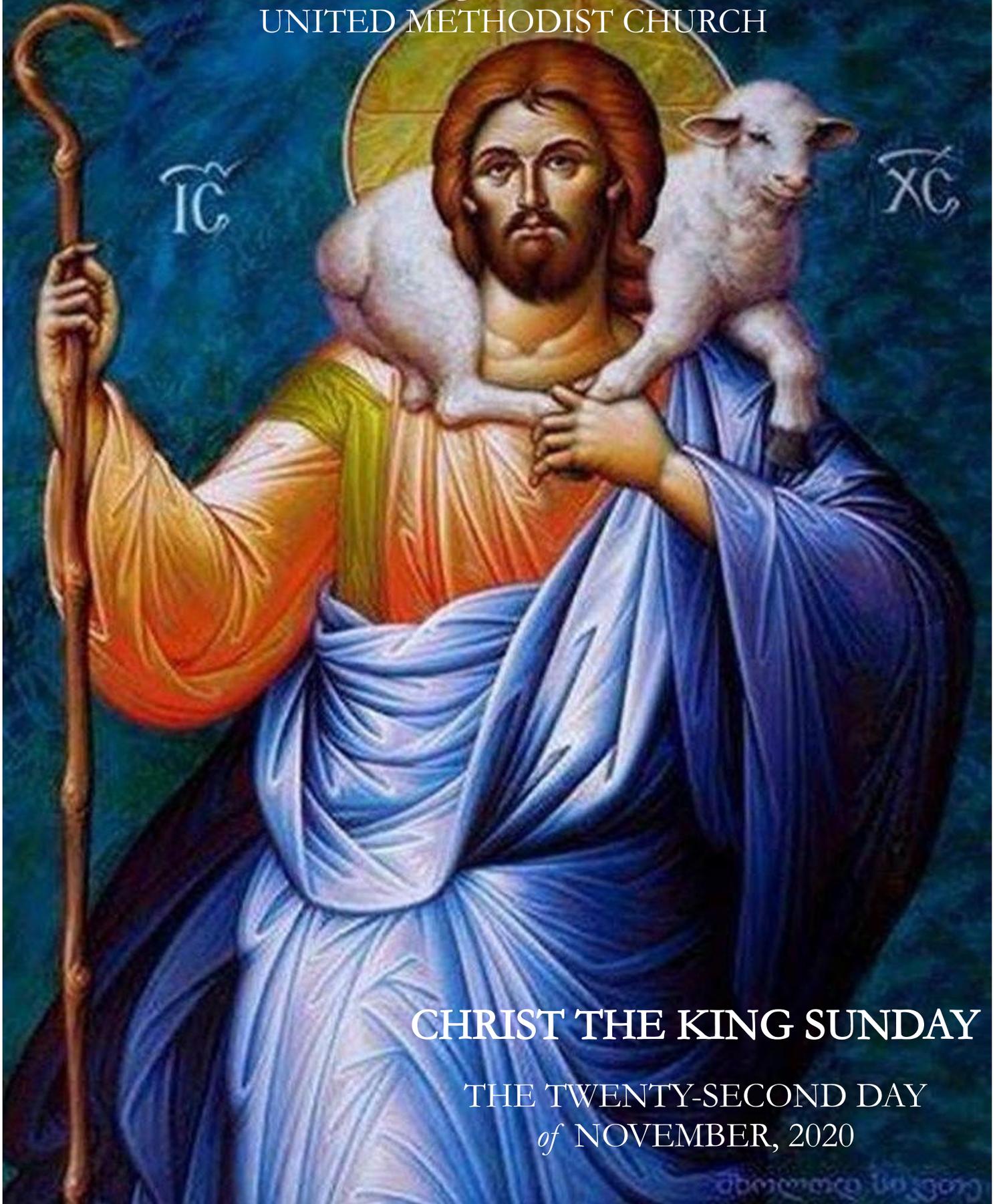


ST. JOHN'S
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

THE TWENTY-SECOND DAY
of NOVEMBER, 2020

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MORNING WORSHIP

November 22, 2020 ~ 11:00 AM

† *Please rise in body or in spirit*

THE SILENT MEDITATION

"The resurrection is the revelation to chosen witnesses of the fact that Jesus who died on the cross is indeed king - conqueror of death and sin, Lord and Savior of all. The resurrection is not the reversal of a defeat but the proclamation of a victory. The King reigns from the tree. The reign of God has indeed come upon us, and its sign is not a golden throne but a wooden cross."

~ Leslie Newbigin, *Foolishness to the Greeks:
The Gospel and Western Culture*

THE CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah D. Crockford, *Director of Ministries*

THE INVOCATION

THE OPENING VOLUNTARY

Dr. Timothy D. Belflowers, *organ*
by Flor Peeters

"Aria"

† THE CALL TO WORSHIP

Ryan L. Powell, *Associate Pastor*

Leader: *Christ Jesus, friend of the poor, the meek and the merciful,
has been enthroned above all authority and power
in this world and in the world that is to come.*

**People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth,
serve the Lord with Gladness
come into his presence with singing.**

Leader: *God has placed everything under Christ's wounded feet,
appointed the one who wore a crown of thorns
as the supreme head of the church, his body.*

**People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
come into his courts with praise.
give thanks and praise his loving name!**

THE OPENING HYMN

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

tune: DIADEMATA

~ The hymn will be sung on behalf of the congregation.

You are invited to worship through song as the Choral Scholar sings ~

† THE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Leader: *Now let us unite our voices and say what we believe through this Modern Declaration of Faith.*

**ALL: Jesus, the long expected Savior, came into the world as a child,
descended from David, conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of Mary, a virgin.**

He lived as a Jew among Jews.

**He announced to his people the coming of God's kingdom
of justice and peace on earth.**

**We affirm that Jesus was born of woman as is every child,
yet born of God's power as was no other child.**

**In the person and work of Jesus, God himself and a human life
are united but not confused, distinguished but not separated.**

The coming of Jesus was itself the coming of God's promised rule.

**Through his birth, life, death, and resurrection, he brings about the relationship
between God and humanity that God always intended.**

† THE GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX

THE RECOGNITION OF GOD AND FAMILY BADGE

James Morgan, *Scout*

THE MOMENT FOR CHILDREN

Emily S. Bell, *Director of Children's Ministries*

THE MOMENT FOR CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Sarah D. Crockford

THE MORNING PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER *(in unison)*

**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, forever. Amen.**

THE EPISTLE LESSON

Philippians 2: 1 – 13

Reverend Ryan L. Powell

THE SEQUENCE HYMN

"O Sing a Song of Bethlehem"
~ The hymn will be sung on behalf of the congregation.
You are invited to worship through song as the Choral Scholar sings ~

tune: KINGSFOLD

† THE GOSPEL LESSON

Matthew 25: 31 – 46

Reverend David C. Surret

THE SERMON

"The Mind of Christ In An Age of Arrogance"

THE OFFERING

"Ride On, King Jesus"

Lauren Pace, *soprano*
arr. by Hall Johnson

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The church leadership is deeply grateful for all financial giving in 2020.
Please remember that due to the virtual worship environment in which we find ourselves, giving has been slowed.
Please do your best to monitor your giving records and keep them as current as absolutely possible.
Offering plates are available at the Annex as you exit the Sanctuary.

THE PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Reverend David C. Surret

THE CLOSING HYMN

"Give Thanks To Our God"
~ The hymn will be sung on behalf of the congregation.
You are invited to worship through song as the Choral Scholar sings ~

tune: LYONS

† THE BLESSING AND BENEDICTION

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY

"Improvisation on 'Kingsfold'"

Dr. Belflowers, *organ*

~ The congregation is invited to be seated for the
Closing Voluntary until your pew is dismissed by an Usher
You are then invited to come forward as you exit the Sanctuary
and place your pledge card in the box in front of the Retable ~

~ The flowers in the Chancel are given to the glory of God and with Thanksgiving
for the Music Ministry of St. John's United Methodist Church by Dr. Timothy D. Belflowers ~



WELCOME GUESTS

As part of the living Body of Christ, we are called to love as Christ loved. We believe that we are to love and welcome all persons—and by that we mean *ALL*, because each and every person is created in the image of God, is of infinite worth and represents someone "for whom Christ died!" (Rom. 14:15) Therefore, we welcome persons of every race, socioeconomic status, family make-up, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, mental and physical ability and faith story. We invite *ALL* persons to join us on our journey together as we strive to practice loving acceptance of each person and engage in respectful discussion of our differences. To fully experience this welcome, we encourage visitors and new members to become involved in a small group within the Church, such as a Sunday School class, Bible study, ministry group, or volunteer opportunity. To learn more about the life and ministries of our church, visit www.stjohnsrh.org.

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Serving this Morning

Preacher:	David C. Surrett
Liturgists:	Ryan L. Powell Emily S. Bell Sarah D. Crockford
Scout Representative:	Jason Morgan
Music:	Timothy D. Belflowers Lauren Pace
Production Team:	Hannah Lunny Evan Crockford

Our Ministry Staff

Reverend David C. Surrett, *Senior Minister*
Reverend Ryan L. Powell, *Associate Minister*
Dallas Ball, *Contemporary Worship Coordinator*
Dr. Timothy D. Belflowers, *Director of Music and Worship & Organist*
Emily S. Bell, *Director of Children's Ministries*
Sarah D. Crockford, *Director of Ministries*
Angela Douglas, *Housekeeper*
Katie Goodwin, *Director of Weekday Ministries*
Lexie Grainger, *Nursery Coordinator*
Linda Greene, *Director of After-School Program*
Hannah Lunny, *Director of Communications*
Barrie Marsh, *Financial Administrator*
David Powell, *Facilities Manager*