The Presbyterian Church
Order of Worship
Christ the King, November 22, 2026 - 10:00 a.m.

PRELUDE *When The Saints Go Marching In* arr. Valerie Stephenson
Alpha Bell Choir

CALL TO WORSHIP Kate Balboni
Director of Ministries to Youth, Young Adults & Their Families

In a world filled with uncertainty,
we come to worship the God whose love endures forever.
We place our hope not in earthly power, but in the faithfulness of God.
When fear surrounds us and the future seems uncertain,
God calls us to trust, to seek peace, and to walk in the light.
Come, let us worship Christ, whose kingdom is marked by justice, mercy, and peace.
Let us rejoice and walk together in the light of the Lord!

*OPENING HYMN 41 *O Worship The King*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God,
we confess that we do not always live as people who trust in your promises.
We allow worry to overshadow hope, let differences divide us,
and sometimes place too much confidence in our own strength.
We long for peace, yet struggle to be peacemakers.
We believe in your love, yet sometimes fail to share it generously.
Forgive us, loving God. Help us to face life's uncertainties with faith,
to meet one another with kindness, and to work for the world of
justice and peace you envision for all your children.
In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

DECLARATION OF PARDON

*RESPONSE OF PRAISE *We Are Forgiven* HYMN 447

We Are Forgiven. We Are Forgiven.
Thanks Be To God. Thanks Be To God.
We Are Forgiven. We Are Forgiven.
Thanks Be To God. Thanks Be To God.

*THE PEACE

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.
The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
and also with you.
I invite you to turn and greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace.

WORDS OF WELCOME

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM *Olive Butler Giannone* Elder Patty Haines
Daughter of Brittany & Steve Giannone
Sponsor: Ashley Bastow

PROFESSION OF FAITH Adapted from a "Brief Statement of Faith"

In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we are claimed in the waters of baptism,
fed with the bread of life, and called to be God's people.
We trust in the one triune God whom alone we worship and serve.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Do you, as members of this church of Jesus Christ, promise to guide and nurture Olive by word and deed, with love and prayer, encouraging her to know and follow Christ and to be a faithful member of this church? If so, please say "we do."

We do.

THE BAPTISM & PRESENTATION OF BAPTISMAL GIFTS
WELCOME

Let us welcome Olive.

With joy and thanksgiving we welcome you into Christ's church to share with us in his ministry, for we are all one in Christ.

(Children ages preschool–grade 4 are invited to attend Sunday School. Grades 5-8 students are invited to attend Bibles & Bagels. Nursery care is available for children ages 2 years and younger.)

*HYMN 620 *Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven*

SCRIPTURE LESSON Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4 Gemma Balboni

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON **Swords into Plowshares** Dennis Jones, Pastor

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERING

OFFERTORY *Awake, My Soul, Give Thanks And Sing* by Craig Courtney
Sanctuary Choir

*DOXOLOGY *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow* HYMN 606

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.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

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.

*CLOSING HYMN 643 *Now Thank We All Our God*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE *O Worship the King* arr. Douglas Wagner
Organ

**Those who are able are invited to stand.*

Please join us for refreshments and fellowship in Westminster Hall immediately following worship.

Maureen Paterson is away and will return on November 24.

Flowers

The Flowers are given to the glory of God:
~In celebration of the baptism of Olive Butler Giannone, daughter of Brittany (Haines) & Steve Giannone, and in memory of her grandfather, Jeff Haines, by Patty Haines.



The flowers that grace our sanctuary each week are gifts from members of the congregation. Flowers may be given in memory or in honor of someone or to celebrate an occasion and cost $42 per pier. There are openings in December. If you would like to donate an arrangement, please contact our flower coordinator Ellen Johnson at (908) 285-1638 or email her at flowers@brpc.org.

Calendar of Events

Sunday, November 22
HOME, 11/22-28, Youth Center
Early Bible Study, 8:30 a.m., Church House Parlor & online
Worship Service in the Sanctuary and Streamed Live, 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School, 10:15 a.m., Calvin Hall
Bibles & Bagels, 10:15 a.m., Church House Library
Fellowship & Refreshments, 11:00 a.m., Westminster Hall
Children & Youth Choir Rehearsal, 11:10 a.m., Knox Room
Confirmation Class, 11:15 a.m., Church House Parlor
God's Co-op Pantry Distribution, 4:00 p.m., 12 E. Allen Street
Middle School Fellowship, 5:00 p.m., Youth Center
Senior High Fellowship, 6:40 p.m., Westminster Hall

Monday, November 23
Walk & Talk Group, 2:00 p.m., online
Meditation Group, 7:30 p.m., online
Tree House Board Meeting, 7:30 p.m., online

Tuesday, November 24
Meditation Group, 8:30 a.m., online
Oak Tree Quilters, 9:00 a.m., Geneva & Middle Rooms
Agape Hour for grades Pre-& K, 3:45 p.m., Church House Agape Room
Cherub Choir for ages Pre-K-2nd Grade, 4:15 p.m., Youth Center
Scout Troop #351, 7:00 p.m., Youth Center

Wednesday, November 25

Thursday, November 26 - Thanksgiving Day
Church Offices Closed

Friday, November 27

Saturday, November 28

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