

**Leander Presbyterian Church
November 22, 2020
Christ the King Sunday**

Reverend Robert McElwaine

**Lila Aud, Pianist
Phyllis Draheim, Accompanist**

**Prelude
arr. Cindy Berry**

When Morning Guilds the Skies

Gathering & Call to Worship

Matthew 5:1-16

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came near him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything but is thrown out and trampled underfoot.

You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

Prayer

Hymn of Praise

O Worship the King All Glorious Above

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Prayer of Confession

Amos 5:18-24

Alas for you who desire the day of the LORD! Why do you want the day of the LORD? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake.

Is not the day of the LORD darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them. And the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps.

But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

(Personal, Silent Prayer of Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

Gloria Patri

Old Testament Reading

Ezekiel 34:1-24

Psalm Reading

Psalm 100

New Testament Reading

Ephesians 1

Gospel Reading

Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon

**Son of Man – Son of God
King of Glory**

Hymn of Discipleship

When Morning Gilds the Skies

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Affirmation of Faith

Apostles' Creed

Invitation to Discipleship

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory

Open My Eyes, that I May See

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Doxology

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn of Response

Now Thank We All Our God

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Benediction

Postlude

Jesus Shall Reign Where're the Sun

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Lyrics for Today's Hymns

O Worship the King All Glorious Above

O worship the King all glorious above, O gratefully sing His
Power and His love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor
Find Thee to fail; Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend. Amen

When Morning Gilds the Skies

When morning gilds the skies, My heart awaking cries,
May Jesus Christ be praised: Alike at work and prayer
To Jesus I repair; May Jesus Christ be praised! Amen

Open My Eyes, that I May See

Open my eyes, that I may see Glimpses of truth Thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key That shall unclasp, and set me free.
Silently now I wait for Thee, Ready, my God, They will to see;
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Now Thank We All Our God

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, In whom His world rejoices;
Who, from our mothers' arms, Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today. Amen

Credits

Service

Pastor Robert McElwaine

Phyllis Draheim, Piano

Kathleen McElwaine, Videographer

Lila Aud, Piano and Flute, Music Coordinator

Joel Aud, Service Support

Video Production

Person Responsible	Role
Kathleen McElwaine	Video tape, editing, post production, audio, titles, Vimeo upload
Susan Janes	Communications, Service Order of Service
Gene Hinkle	Technical Support, Webmaster http://www.leander.org

Links: Website - <http://leanderpres.org>

Sermons - <http://leanderpres.org/sermonsworshipmusic.html>

Readings

Ezekiel 34: 1-24

The word of the Lord came to me: Mortal, prophesy against the shepherds of Israel: prophesy, and say to them—to the shepherds: Thus says the Lord God: Ah, you shepherds of Israel who have been feeding yourselves! Should not shepherds feed the sheep? You eat the fat, you clothe yourselves with the wool, you slaughter the fatlings; but you do not feed the sheep. You have not strengthened the weak, you have not healed the sick, you have not bound up the injured, you have not brought back the strayed, you have not sought the lost, but with force and harshness you have ruled them. So they were scattered, because there was no shepherd; and scattered, they became food for all the wild animals. My sheep were scattered, they wandered over all the mountains and on every high hill; my sheep were scattered over all the face of the earth, with no one to search or seek for them.

Therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord: As I live, says the Lord God, because my sheep have become a prey, and my sheep have become food for all the wild animals, since there was no shepherd; and because my shepherds have not searched for my sheep, but the shepherds have fed themselves, and have not fed my sheep; therefore, you shepherds, hear the word of the Lord: Thus says the Lord God, I am against the shepherds; and I will demand my sheep at their hand, and put a stop to their feeding the sheep; no longer shall the shepherds feed themselves. I will rescue my sheep from their mouths, so that they may not be food for them. For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

As for you, my flock, thus says the Lord God: I shall judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and goats: Is it not enough for you to feed on the good pasture, but you must tread down with your feet the rest of your pasture? When you drink of clear water, must you foul the rest with your feet? And must my sheep eat what you have trodden with your feet, and drink what you have fouled with your feet? Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Psalm 100

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name.

For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Ephesians 1

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love. He destined us for adoption as his children through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace that he freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight he has made known to us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure that he set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Matthew 25: 31-36

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’



Emogene Champion**
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Dan Kilgore
Allen Striker (Sharon)
Karen Thompson** Family
Sue Ann Boren (Lila)
McKinley Womack (Carolyn)
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Karen Hambrick**
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Pam Jordan (Linda H)
John & Rebecca McElroy (Lila)
Renee Peters**
Sharon Carline & Family
Lonnie Smith (Kathleen)
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Texas & US Armed Forces

Local, State & Federal Government Leaders

Texas State Guard

** church Members

Joys & Announcements

Advent starts next Sunday – November 29!

Minute for Mission: Stewardship of Property:

Bible Verse: Psalm 24: 1-2

The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for He founded it on the seas and established it on the waters. We bring nothing into this world, and we take nothing out of it. We know that whatever we have is a gift from God. In appreciation, we choose to share a portion of these gifts. The stewardship of our property is an ongoing process. We give regularly and systematically in proportion to the gifts that we are given and the talents that earn us our possessions. Because we love God, we gladly dedicate these gifts to God’s service and give a worthy portion for the care of people in need.

Hill Country Community Ministry - Check HCCM’s website for information on how to make donations.

Birthdays

12/7	Anderson Garcia	12/8	Violet Dyke	12/10	Victoria Renfroe
12/17	Jonathan Powell	12/21	Vernon Donaldson	12/29	Carmichael Garcia

Calendar

Services and other church activities have been suspended until after the next Session Meeting.

Scriptures for November 29, 2020: Isaiah 64: 1-9, Psalm 80 1-7, 17-19, 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9, Mark 13: 24-37

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