

Sunday, November 22, 2020

Christ the King!

SMALL GROUP WORSHIP SERVICE LITURGY

All songs are included in the back of the package.

The entire worship service will be streamed live starting at 9:30am at

<http://www.firsthamilton.ca/live>

Pastor: Rev. Hayden Regeling
Music Team: Harsevoort Team

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WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 am

*You are invited to rise in body or spirit

Prelude

GOD GATHERS US

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Call to Worship: *Worship Sourcebook 2nd ed. P.1.2.2 p. 681*

Leader: O come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

**For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.**

Leader: In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.

**People: O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

**For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

—*Psalm 95:1-7, NRSV*

* **Song: Hymnal #209 “Hail the Day That Sees Him Rise”** (Public Domain)

* Greetings:

The Peace of Christ be with you!

And also with you!

* **Song: Hymnal #223 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”, vs. 1,2,4** (Public Domain)

GOD RENEWS US

Prayer of Confession: *Worship Sourcebook 2nd ed. P.2.2.1 p. 684*

Leader: Righteous God,
you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.

People: We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule.

Leader: We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us.

**People: Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all,
that we may be loyal ambassadors,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon and Call to Holy Living: *Worship Sourcebook 2nd ed. P.2.4.1 p. 685*

Leader: Do not weep!

See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. With his blood he has purchased people for God

from every tribe and language and people and nation.

He has made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God,
and they will reign on the earth.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Faith: *Our World Belongs to God, st. 1-2, 27, 55*

Leader: As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world—
which some seek to control, and others view with despair— we declare with joy and trust:

People: Our world belongs to God!

Leader: From the beginning,
through all the crises of our times,
until the kingdom fully comes,
God keeps covenant forever:

**People: Our world belongs to God!
God is King! Let the earth be glad!**

Leader: Christ is victor: his rule has begun!
The Spirit is at work: creation is renewed! Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!
Jesus ascended in triumph,
raising our humanity to the heavenly throne.

People: All authority, glory, and sovereign power are given to him.

Leader: There he hears our prayers
and pleads our cause before the Father.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

**People: Our hope for a new creation is not tied
to what humans can do,**

**for we believe that one day
every challenge to God's rule will be crushed.
His kingdom will fully come,
and our Lord will rule. Come, Lord Jesus, come.**

Song: Hymnal #219 "Jesus Shall Reign" (Public Domain)

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Intercession | Mary-Jane Tigchelaar

GOD SPEAKS WITH US

First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

The Psalm: Psalm 95:1-7a

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Message: The King Comes

Prayer

* **Song: Hymnal #770 In Christ Alone** (CCLI Song #3350395 - CCLI License #2024198)

GOD RECEIVES OUR OFFERINGS

Offering: First Offering: First Hamilton CRC Budget

Second Offering: True City Christmas Hampers

Ways to give:

- 1) **PAR (Pre-Authorized Remittance):** (to get set up with PAR, please email office@firsthamilton.ca)
- 2) **CanadaHelps.org:** <https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/first-hamilton-christian-reformed-church/>
(please put a note with designation details in the message area)
- 3) Or, by **mailing** a cheque to 195 Charlton Ave W. Hamilton, ON L8P 2C9

GOD SENDS US

* Blessing

* **Song: The Blessing** (CCLI Song #7147007 - CCLI License #2024198)