

Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church

A Global Methodist Church

November 23, 2025

Christ the King Sunday



Welcome!

**Our Purpose is to make disciples of Jesus Christ;
Worship Passionately, Love Extravagantly,
Witness Boldly!**

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First Reading – Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, ¹²and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you^[a] to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. ¹³For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. ¹⁹For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Gospel Reading– Luke 23:33-43

³³When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”^[a] And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.”

³⁶The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.”

³⁸There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

³⁹One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”

⁴⁰But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence?” ⁴¹We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴²Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”^[b] ⁴³Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Order of Worship

The Gathering!

Welcome, Announcements & Birthdays

Prelude - Prepare your hearts to worship God.

The Praise!

*Call to Worship (*Psalms 100*) Hymnal #821 Scott Holden

*Hymn of Praise “Come Ye Thankful People Come” #694

Children’s Time

Sharing of Community Celebrations and Concerns

Pastoral Prayer The Lord’s Prayer Rev. Ron McDougald

The Offering!

*The Doxology

The Word!

*Prayer of Illumination: Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.

First Reading Colossians 1:11-20 David Schmidt

*Hymn of Preparation “All Hail King Jesus” #2069

*Gospel Reading Luke 23:33-43

*Affirmation of Faith The Apostle’s Creed #881

Sermon “Remembering the King” Rev. Ron McDougald

*Closing Hymn “Crown Him with Many Crowns” #327

The Sending Forth!

*Choral Benediction “Blessed Be the Tie that Binds” #557

**please stand if you are able*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please mark your attendance in the black fellowship folder at the end of each pew.

Decorating the Sanctuary for Advent Season is this morning after Worship. Help will also be needed to prepare the new hymnals for Dedication next Sunday.

Administrative Board Meeting is today at 2pm in the Fellowship Hall.

NO Wednesday Morning Bible Study, WNT, & Choir Practice this week. All activities will resume the week of November 30th.

Missions Committee Meeting next Sunday, Nov. 30th after Worship.

Discipleship Committee Meeting on December 3rd at 4:30 in the Sanctuary.

Blue Christmas, A Service of Hope will be held December 7th at 5pm. This special service, especially for those who have experienced grief & loss, will offer support to navigate the Holiday Season.

Churchwide Christmas Party will be after Worship on December 14th. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for Festive Appetizers—bring your favorite to share.

Seashore Missions Meals for 2026 needs volunteers! There is a sign up sheet in the foyer if you'd like to help; meals are the 1st Thursday of each month.

New Hymnal Dedications are still being accepted; forms are in the foyer if you are interested in dedicating a hymnal. A donation of \$20 will go to the new building fund. Completed forms can be put in the collection plate or given to Robin Cameron

Lectionary Readings for November 30th

Isaiah 2:1-5

Romans 13:11-14

Matthew 24:36-44

Psalm 122

Prayer List:

Ongoing Concerns:

Cleo Taylor, Mary Ward, Ronnie & Diane Seymour, Billy Robinson, Larry Hall, Woody VanDevender, Phyllis & Clint Gill, Grayson Morse, Donna Wittersheim, Aven & Saylee Bryant, Betty Tootle, Bobby Lenardo, Debbie Harris, David Davidson, Paige & Mark McDougald, Susie Flurry, Karen & Gene VanWinkle, Mae Gamblin, James Ellis Bertucci, Danielle Weitz, Gaynell Hill, Sara Caldwell, Melissa Odell, Jasper Pryor, Emma & Rickey Sharp, John Russell, Andrew Russell, Rosemary Meador, Trooper Tavon Moore, Nancy Riggins, Katherine O'Brien, Diane Upton, Jerry Evans, Martha Richardson, Carl & Liz Wyatt, Teresa Davis, Bruce Nevels, Billy Sanders, Doris Hand, Holly Heppner, Robbie Fant, Jenni Johnson, Matt Mizelle.

Weekly Prayer Requests:

Dorothy Jay, Shelby– Robin's Sister, Sonny Fletcher, Sandra Hewitt, Matthew Hickman, Carrie Flurry, Aletha Huffman, Vivian Brazil, Burt Flanagan, Kelly & Mack Breland, Jeff Walton, Donnie Hilderbrand, Rhonda Davidson, Joe Mack Thaggard Family, Mary Smith, Alicia Green, Hal Galloway, Annaleigh Sykes, Kaleigh Morton, Becky Barlow, Hank Jamison, Dax Flint, Melissa Warren, Cheryl Robinson & family, Building Fund, Blue Christmas, Jamaica.

Our Nation: Leaders & Country

Our Military:

Wesley Savage, Brey Richmond, Jacob Ferrer, Hunter LaVann, Elizabeth Willis, Cody Bean, Clayton Demoran, Justin Shoemake, Chris Phifer, Nate Collins, Joseph Jackson, James Bell, Clay LeBatard, Austin Gill, Logan Grandstaff, Luke Self, Morgan Foster.

Happening this Week

- Ladies Come and Go Prayer Wednesday at 9am.
- Wednesday Morning Bible Study will not meet this week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Wednesday Night Together will not meet this week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday
- No Choir Practice this week due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.
- Sunday School for adults and children meet every Sunday at 8:15 am and Worship at 9:30 am.

Coming Soon!

- 1st Sunday of Advent & Hymnal Dedication during Worship, Sunday, Nov. 30th.
- Missions Committee Meeting, Nov. 30th after Worship.
- Discipleship Committee Meeting, Dec. 3rd at 4:30 in the Sanctuary.
- Blue Christmas, A Service of Hope for grief & loss – Sunday, Dec. 7th at 5 pm.
- Churchwide Christmas Party, Dec. 14th after morning Worship.

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Jimmy LeBatard (23)

Connie Goff (24)

Scott & Kristi Warren (27)

