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# ADVENT CONSPIRACY

CHRIST THE KING



### What's up in worship?

**Today:** We'll close the church year acknowledging the relationship we enjoy with Jesus; at once the King and the One we anticipate in the season of Advent. Pastor Andy will introduce our Advent series entitled An Advent Conspiracy.

**Next Week:** Looking at our first concept in the Advent Conspiracy – “spend less”, - we'll remind ourselves exactly what Advent and Christmas is are about. It's not, as the Grinch says, about packages, boxes and bows. It's A LOT more. But it does not require what the culture says it does. We're encouraged to spend less because Jesus is our all.

### A Worship Alert!

Here's the worship schedule through the end of the year:

**December 2 and 9: Two services at our regular times.**

**December 16, 23, and 30: One service only at 10AM.**

**December 16 is our annual Musical Celebration of the Season.**

**Christmas Eve services: 4PM (Children's), 7PM (Contemporary), and 10PM (Classic)**

### **Today's Community Connections:**

- If you are interested in providing fresh flowers for worship, please sign up at the *Connections Corner* table. (See bullet point below.)
- Feel like you missed something? The *Connections Corner* table can help. Head across the atrium and get the information you need just under the tv monitor.
- **Don't receive our weekly e-news? Please email Sue Kiefner at: [SueK@wesleychurch.com](mailto:SueK@wesleychurch.com) to get on the list!**
- **Saturday, December 8: Breakfast with Santa: Santa tells the story of Jesus' birth. Proceeds benefit New Bethany Ministry. Helpers needed, too. Sign up through the enews!**
- The Backpack team invites you to take advantage of their Parent's Night Out offering on December 14<sup>th</sup> from 6-9. Drop off the kids and do your thing for a few hours. Kids will enjoy crafts, a movie, snacks and lots of fun. See the enews for more details.
- Please see Bob Keiderling to sign up for an Advent Conspiracy group, and to get your copy of the book. Sunday morning, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.
- **Thanks to all who helped us deck the halls...well, the sanctuary. The church looks great!**
- Youth group meets Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6-8 PM in fellowship hall.

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### **Today's morning schedule:**

9:00 – Contemporary worship

10:15 – Sunday School for all ages

11:00 – Classic (traditional) worship

Hospitality is offered in the atrium.

Church office hours are  
from 9 AM-3 PM weekdays  
during the school year.

† invites all to stand, if able.

# Contemporary Worship Order

November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018; Christ the King Sunday

## † Welcome and Greeting

Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship

Please stand and take some time to say hello to those around you, and remind them that Jesus is here! Peace!

## † Praising God in Song

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High and Shout to the Lord*

The Ensemble

## † Scripture

John 18:33-37 and Revelation 1:3-8

Sara Capwell, Reader

## Children's Message

Pastor Andy

## Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

Bob

Whether offering your prayer aloud or keeping it confidential, please continue to fill out the blue cards and place them in the offering so that the prayer team may continue to faithfully do its work. Thank you!

**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.**

## Giving Our Tithes, Offerings and Other Gifts

The blue *Sign-in Cards / Prayer Cards* are available in the pew racks. They, as well as your morning offering, can be placed in the offering plates as they are passed along your pew. Thank you!

## Music during the Offering

*For All You've Done (I Worship You)*

The Ensemble

## Message

"A Relationship with a King"

Andy

## Musical Response

*Glorious Day (Living He Loved Me)* (by Casting Crowns)

The Ensemble

One day when heaven was filled with His praises/One day when sin was as black as could be  
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin/Dwelt among men, my example is He  
The Word became flesh and the light shined among us/His glory revealed

(Chorus) Living, He loved me/Dying, He saved me/Buried, He carried my sins far away  
Rising, He justified freely forever/One day He's coming; oh, glorious day, oh glorious day

One day they led Him up Calvary's mountain/One day they nailed him to die on a tree  
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected/Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is He  
The hands that healed nations stretched out on a tree/And took the nails for me (to chorus)

One day the grave could conceal Him no longer/One day the stone rolled away from the door  
Then He arose; over death He had conquered/Now is ascended, my Lord evermore  
Death could not hold Him, the grave could not keep Him from rising again (to chorus)

One day the trumpet will sound for His coming/One day the skies with His glory will shine  
Wonderful day my Beloved One bringing/My Savior, Jesus is mine (to chorus)

## Community Connections

Please see front of bulletin.

## † Closing Song

*Crown Him (Majesty)*

The Ensemble

## † Closing Words and Dismissal

† invites all to stand, if able.

# Classic Worship Order

November 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018; Chirst the King Sunday

**Prelude** *Prelude in b minor, Op. 28, No. 6* (F. Chopin) Becky Graybeal, piano

† **Welcome and Greeting** Bob Keiderling, Minister of Discipleship  
Please stand and take some time to say hello to those around you, and remind them that Jesus is here! Peace!

† **Opening Hymn** *Rejoice the Lord Is King* #715, United Methodist Hymnal (UMH)

**Congregational Prayer and the Lord's Prayer** Bob  
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**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.**

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**Offertory** *Medley of Praise* (Arr. P. Keveren) Becky, piano

† **Doxology** *All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night* (stanza 5) #682, UMH

† **Scripture** John 18:33-37 and Revelation 1:3-8

**Hymn** *Ye Servants of God* #181, UMH

**Message** "A Relationship with a King" Andy

**Musical Response** *Praise! Praise!* (G. F. Handel; Arr. by P. M. Liebergen) Chancel Choir

Praise, praise!/Let every nation give praise to the Lord/Give praise to the Lord, give praise to the Lord  
Rejoice and be glad for the Lord comes to all/For the Lord, for the Lord come to all

Praise, praise!/Let every nation give thanks to our God/Resound joyful praise/Resound joyful praise, resound joyful praise  
Let every nation give thanks to our God/Rejoice and be glad for the Lord come to all/O rejoice, praise the Lord and give thanks

The glory and power of God we proclaim/And sing with a loud voice the Lord's holy name  
And sing, and sing, and sing/And sing with a loud voice the Lord's holy name

Praise, praise!/Let every nation give praise to the Lord/Rejoice and be glad for the Lord comes to all  
O give praise, give the Lord joyful praise!

**Community Connections** Please see front of bulletin.

† **Closing Hymn** *Lift High the Cross* #159, UMH

† **Benediction**

**Benediction Response** (choir only) *Dismissal Sentence* (Words: J. E. Rankin; Music: D. Wood)

† **Postlude** *Crown Him with Many Crowns* (Arr. C. Berry) Becky, piano  
(In the setting of J. S. Bach's *Prelude in D Major*)

**"Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need and thank him for all he has done."** [Philippians 4:6 New Living Translation](#)

**Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> Anon.** prayers for all the individuals seeking asylum at our borders. **Joan Balas** for Lorraine facing treatment for cancer. **Laurie Bilheimer & Scott Stackhouse** continued healing & prayers for Andrew's chronic addiction. **John & Carol Covert** for friend Ellen. **Donna Giardina** many issues with a friend. **The Hume family** continued prayers for our cousin as she suffers from the side effects of chemo. Pray for all the people who lost their homes in California fires. **Jim & Heather Hunter** for Dr. Gary Williams, Heather's boss, gravely ill & hospitalized, prayers for healing & peace. **Casey Kiefner** for her Pop Pop to get better. **Frank Madura** for God's healing for Joe, Chuck, Dennis & Mary – all with cancer; God's guidance as my mother's caregiver; God's strength for all those seeking employment. **Karen & Pete Marmaras** for a good friend's son, Evan, going through care for osteo sarcoma. For **Ken Niewoehner & Forrest Taylor**, may they find energy & joy. **Gayne Marriner** continued prayers for **Ken & Beverly** for healing. **Morgan** for Neal as he deals with alcohol addiction. **Terry Nighan** for Justin's physical & spiritual health. Continued prayers for Joe during cancer treatment. **Debbie Polise** my Uncle Joe who was just diagnosed with lung cancer & currently in hospital. **Marjorie Price** for Rick Smith healing after heart surgery. Also, for friend Deanne Decker for a successful back surgery. **Kasey Renowden** for those missing loved ones during the holidays; traveling mercies for those visiting family; for Brenda, Dick, Karen, Jaquie all with cancer. **Ray & Lin Robey** for healing for Donna; for safe travels for those visiting family & friends this Thanksgiving; prayers for grandson Derek. **Louis Williams** for friend Ed in the hospital intensive care unit with blood related infection. **Tracy Leszczynski** prayers for Diana Rivera (WCOF preschool teacher) dealing with serious eye concerns. **Spoken Prayers:** For those who have lost family members this week. California fires & loss of lives; famine in Yeman; violence in Syria; those in hospice & their caregivers. For family of Faye Johnson who is in hospice. For **Fran Focht**, recovering from open heart surgery.

**JOYS AND PRAISES:** **Anon.** For the beautiful church music and voices we are blessed with each week. **Laurie Bilheimer** shares joy for Sarah visiting this weekend. **Frank Madura** gives praise to God for the church & support. **Terry Nighan** praises the Lord that I & others made it home safely in the recent snow storm.

**SYMPATHY TO:** Those killed for their faith, nationality and in their schools & worship buildings, places of safety. **Chris Jacobsen** asks prayer for Aunt Sally, who passed peacefully Nov. 9. **Donna Mains** on the passing of her Mother, Naomi Vought. **Family & friends** of **Pat Rhiel**, who died suddenly last week.

**CONTINUED HEALING /PRAYER CONCERNS:** **Melissa Day**, post treatment care. **Kelly Hines'** father, Parkinson's disease. **Tom Keel**, foot surgeries & rehab. **Bob Keiderling's** sister, Pat, another round of chemo. **Andy Kereczman**, cancer. **Bill Mains**, prostate cancer. **Beverly Marriner**, pain relief. **Carolyn & Larry Miller** prayers for healing and for son **Wayne** healing. **Chuck & Wendy Stehly** for **Jeff**, brain cancer, for **Ivelisse**, breast cancer, and for **Jennifer Grube** battling cancer. **Frank Vitali** for cancer. **Diana Rivera** dealing with serious eye concerns. Sharon Schultz's mother **Faye Johnson** in hospice.

#### **THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND WORSHIP**

**Alexandria Manor** Forrest Taylor  
**Abington (Easton)** Sylvia Thele  
**Gracedale** Jane Sandt, Dorothy Coolin  
**Kirkland Village** Barbara Guldner

**At home** George & Martha Danner, Naomi Jones  
**Moravian Village** Agnes Smith  
**Sterling Heights** Peggy Jacobson  
**Traditions of Hanover** Marian Jeffery  
**Westminster Village** Shirley Beiseigel

**WESLEY CHURCH MINISTRIES:** Our teachers and facilitators; Good Grief: Men's & Women's Small groups; TEACHRwanda; Visitation/Stephen Ministry; We've Got Your Backpack Day; Backpack Buddies; Cancer Support Groups; Wesley Community Garden; Lehigh Valley Outreach Depot; and UMC Leadership.

#### **WESLEY LEADERSHIP TEAMS:**

**Committee on Nominations and Leadership:** Pastor Andrew Krpata, Lenore Mohr, Mike Maticavage, Chris Jacobsen, Brian Graybeal, Christy Hume, and Jane Kempfer.

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**Church Council:** Christian Lockhart (chairperson), Mike Maticavage (Lay Leader), Karen Marmaras (Lay Leader to Annual Conference), Chris Foster (Alternate to Annual Conference), Jason Walters (Social Justice Ministries), and Sue Kiefner (Outreach & Ministries). Also included in Church Council are the chairpersons of our administrative committees.

**We ask that you please update your prayer request information at least every two weeks. This ensures that your request will remain on the Prayer List. Thank you.**