

First Presbyterian Church

Service for the Lord's Day
Christ the King Sunday

November 23, 2014

10:00 a.m.

ASSEMBLE IN GOD'S NAME

Gathering Hymn

Concerns of the Church

Prelude

"Jesus Shall Reign"

arr. Lana Kelley

Call to Worship

The Lord God is our shepherd.

We are the people of God's pasture, the sheep of God's hand.

God will seek the lost, feed the hungry, and strengthen the weak.

But the proud will be fed with justice.

* Hymn 826 "Lift High the Cross"

Ushers will collect prayer request cards from the center aisle.

* Call to Confession

* Prayer of Confession

Sovereign God, we confess

that we are not ready for your holy realm.

You guide us toward right paths,

but we refuse to follow where you lead.

You love and feed and care for us,

but we fail to love and serve others.

Forgive us, merciful God,

so that we may return to your fold

and rejoice in your presence;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

the Lamb upon the throne. Amen.

* Silent Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Passing of the Peace

* Gloria Patri (581)

PROCLAIM GOD'S WORD

Prayer for Illumination

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24(OT, p. 803)

Psalter: Psalm 100 (Hymnal 385)

A Time with Children

Anthem

"A Song of Thanksgiving"

Helman

Our young children are invited to attend "Joyful Noise" in room 103.

Gospel Lesson: Matthew 25:31-46 (NT, p. 29)

Sermon: "Everything Will Be Clear"

Rev. Carter

RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

* Hymn 766 "The Church of Christ Cannot be Bound"

* Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed (Hymnal, p. 35)

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Offering

Offertory

"Oh, Worship the King"

arr. Robert Hobby

* Doxology (606)

* Prayer of Dedication

GO IN GOD'S NAME

* Hymn 363 "Rejoice, the Lord is King!"

Joyful Noise! participants will return to the sanctuary.

* Charge and Benediction

* Response

* Postlude

"Lift High the Cross"

arr. John Eggert

* All who are able shall stand.

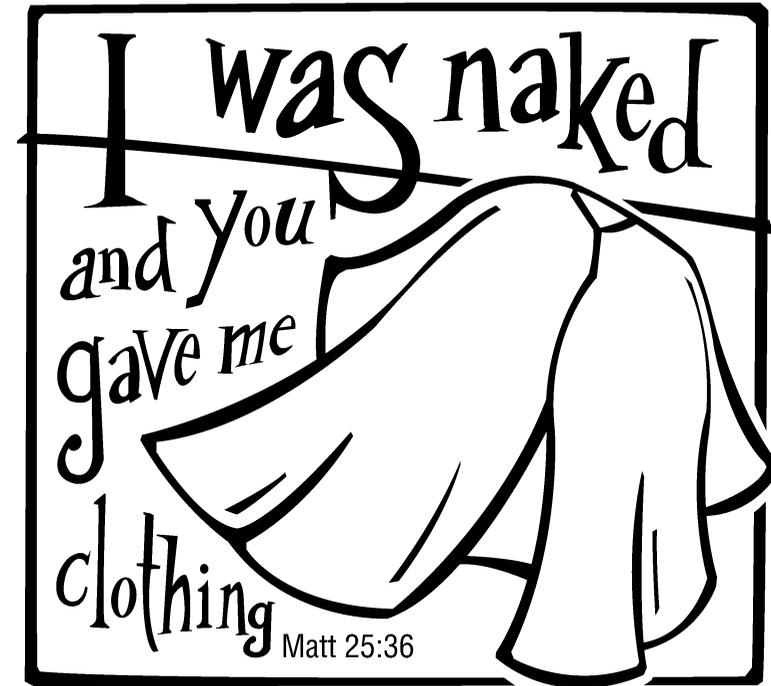
The flowers this morning have been given by Diane and Jack Scheuer to the glory of God and in memory of Diane's brother, Barry Carnahan.

PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Pastor	Rev. William G. Carter
Director of Educational Ministries	Tina Ide
Director of Music	Susan Kelly
Organist	Kay Ten Eyck
Liturgist	Tina Ide
<i>Joyful Noise</i> leaders	Melba Fialko, Wayne Griffiths
Ushers	John Conklin, Betty Keen
Welcomer	Mark Kusma
Guest Musician	Jeffrey Leas



We are a Stephen Ministry congregation.



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Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24

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. 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.

Matthew 25:31-46

“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.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”