



St Ives Uniting Church

20th November 2022

Christ the King Sunday

Call to worship

Lighting the Christ Candle

Opening prayer

Hymn: 373 Hail, our once despised Jesus

Prayer of adoration and confession

Assurance of forgiveness

Hear Christ's word of grace to us "Your sins are forgiven"

Thanks be to God

Hymn: 526 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

Bible readings

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Rob Mayrick

"Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!" declares the Lord. ² Therefore this is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: "Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done," declares the Lord. ³ "I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. ⁴ I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the Lord.

⁵ “The days are coming,” declares the Lord,
“when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
a King who will reign wisely
and do what is just and right in the land.

⁶ In his days Judah will be saved
and Israel will live in safety.

This is the name by which he will be called:
The Lord Our Righteous Saviour.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Luke 23:33-43

Marian Kingham

³³ When 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. ³⁴ Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵ The 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.”

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

³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the jews.

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

⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.”

⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

⁴³ Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon: The king on the cross

Hymn: 228 Crown him with many crowns

Notices

Lawrence Peak

Offering

Let us pray:

Gracious God,

We worship you with our words,

and with our songs,

and we praise you with these gifts.

Everything we have is yours,

and these offerings are for the work of your kingdom

come,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Amen.

Prayers of the people and the Lord's Prayer Jane Ann Tainsh

Hymn: 216 Rejoice the Lord is king

Benediction

Postlude

Organist

John Hughes

