

Reign of Christ Sunday



November 20, 2022

“The Time is Now”

Jeremiah 23:1-6, Luke 1:68-79

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All Are Welcome!

*“God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.
The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah
Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.
He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow,
and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.
‘Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.’
The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah “*

Psalm 46

+Stand as you're able.

PRELUDE

Dave Kurtz

WELCOME & GREETING

Pastor Shauna

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Holly Orr

Leader: It is done.

God has always been in charge—yesterday and today.

Even when things seem out of control, God's reign is on its way.

People: Let us prepare the way for God.

*OPENING PRAYER

Holly Orr

**Faithful God, expand our thankful imaginations—to time beyond our time,
to wisdom beyond our wisdom, to strength beyond our strength.**

**As we pray for your coming reign, remind us that the whole earth is already
yours. Even as we pray for things not yet seen, help us celebrate your sure,
eternal reign. Amen.**

+OPENING PRAISE

You Are My All in All

Dave Kurtz

Beautiful One

Confidence

SCRIPTURE— **Jeremiah 23:1-6**

Holly Orr

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign

as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Pat Moore
PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS Pat Moore
OFFERTORY *Your Name* Dave Kurtz

+PRAYER OF DEDICATION Holly Orr
Your days are surely coming, Holy One, just as surely as the needs of this world are real. We offer these gifts in awe of your victory over the cross and in celebration of your present and coming reign, that life—even life abundant—might multiply for all people. Bless these gifts, that they may be used according to your will. Amen.

SCRIPTURE— **Luke 1:68-79** Holly Orr
"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them. He has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house of his servant David, as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old, that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered his holy covenant, the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness before him all our days. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways, to give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins. By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE *"The Time is Now"* Pastor Shauna
+CLOSING SONG *Hosanna* Dave Kurtz
+BENEDICTION Pastor Shauna
POSTLUDE Dave Kurtz

SERVING TODAY IN WORSHIP

PASTOR	Rev. Shauna K. Ridge	WORSHIP TEAM SHEPHERDS:	
MUSIC	Dave Kurtz	GREETER	Hannah Smith
LITURGIST	Holly Orr	ATTENDANCE	Hannah Smith
CHILDREN'S MESSAGE	Pat Moore	USHER	Pete Scotti
TECH TEAM	Josh Dwyer		
	Terry Moore		