

**Worship of the Living God
Christ the King**

Prelude

Welcome Rev. Lara Musser Gritter

* Call to Worship Rev. Josh Musser Gritter

Let our hearts exult in the Lord;
Our strength is exalted in God.
Let our mouths be ever fixed in praise;
God has given us the victory.
There is no Holy One like the Lord;
There is no rock like our God.
Praise the Lord!

* Song *O Worship the King*

* Confession of Sin
**God of grace, all around us are wars,
and rumors of wars.**
We are afraid for ourselves and for all of creation.
**Sometimes we follow the wrong leaders
and grasp for false security.**
Forgive us, Lord,
for we are quick to forget that all of life is in your hands.
**Renew our hope, increase our courage,
and keep us watchful for the signs
of your just and peaceful reign that is to come;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.**
A moment of silent confession

* Assurance of Forgiveness

* Musical Response *Glory Be to the Father*

Children's Message

Scripture: Psalm 132:1-12; Revelation: 1:4b-8

Scripture: John 18:28-38

Sermon Rev. Lara Musser Gritter

* Affirmation of Faith Dr. Randy Kirby

Adapted from the Brief Statement of Faith

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God.
Jesus proclaimed the reign of God:
preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives,
teaching by word and deed and blessing the children,
healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted,
eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners,
and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.
Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition,
Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain
and giving his life for the sins of the world.
God raised this Jesus from the dead,
vindicating his sinless life,
breaking the power of sin and evil,
delivering us from death to life eternal.

Welcome of New Members

Prayers of the People & the Lord's Prayer

Announcements & Celebrations

Minute for Mission TWAM

Offering

Offertory *King of Kings*

* Doxology *New Doxology*

* Prayer of Dedication

* Song *You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

* Benediction

Postlude

*Those who are able are invited to stand.
Bold indicates words spoken in unison.

Nursery Available

Parents: Our children are such precious gifts from the Lord. Please accompany your child when they go to the restroom during worship services or move through the church building to ensure their safety. We want our church to be a safe place for our children, but remember, our doors allow people to come and go.

**The cornucopia today is given in praise and thanksgiving to
God for the abundant blessings bestowed upon us,
and for God's 200 years of guidance to this community of faith,
given and arranged by Cathy and Frank Adams**

Joys and Concerns this week:

Luke Bryan, Danny Fisher, Scott Hay, Mike Farris, Martha Lassiter, Bill Lee

Continuing Concerns:

Keith Corriher (Jan Corriher Smith's cousin), Christine Corrington (Scott Hay's niece), Lois Boyd (Ellie Grover's mother), Maria Hudson, Steven Lescoe, Jan Lewis, Rocky Mead (Chris Mead's father), Judy Rochelle, Sean Walker, Acey Worthy

Pictorial Directory!

Please stop by our FPC photo booth and have your family's picture taken (no sales, no long wait, no appointments) on Sundays, November 21, 28, and December 5. Our booth will be set up after both worship services—Lewis Hall foyer at 9:15 and on the Parking lot sidewalk at 12:00. If the weather does not permit us to be outside, it will be set up in the Lewis Hall foyer. The staff hopes everyone will make this a priority. We want to have everyone pictured in the upcoming in-house directory!

“Deeply Rooted—Branching Out”

This year our theme for Commitment has been the same as our 200th Celebration, “Deeply Rooted—Branching Out.” We have experienced a wonderful celebration of what God has done through our church in the last 200 years, and commit ourselves to branching out into God’s future. Our giving is always in response to God’s giving to us.

We are excited about your commitment. As of November 18, we have received 165 pledges totaling \$851,403 toward our 2022 budget. It is with deep gratitude and thankfulness that we thank all those who have turned in their commitment cards. However, we as a congregation still have a financial challenge. We still need \$273,866 in pledges to meet our budget for next year. The session cannot complete the budget process without hearing from you.

First Presbyterian Church has always exemplified generosity in giving of our time, talent, and money. We are confident that will continue to be the case. If you have not made your pledge for 2022, you may do so by mailing your commitment card to the church office, by going to www.salisburyfirstpres.org and clicking on ‘Pledge Now,’ by contacting Christina Lewis directly at (704) 636-1321 or simply by emailing her at clewis@salisburyfirstpres.org. Your pledge is always confidential.

Tom Overcash, Commitment Committee Moderator

2021 Giving Update

As of October 31, 2021	
YTD Budgeted Giving	\$869,686.67
YTD Giving	<u>\$855,304.93</u>
Short	\$14,381.74

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Spirit-Centered Discipleship
Hands-on Local Missions
Friendship Across Difference
Embracing the Unchurched

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8:30 am

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