



HAMPTONS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

9:30 a.m., November 26, 2023 | Christ the King Sunday

GATHERING MUSIC

Elder Turpin

WELCOME

Pastor Joanne

+ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: The Lord God is our shepherd.

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

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

People: But the proud and power-hungry will be fed with justice.

+ HYMN: "We Gather Together " UMH 131

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TIME WITH YOUNG DISCIPLES

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: 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.

MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

PASSING OF THE PEACE OF CHRIST

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

EPISTLE LESSON: Ephesians 1:15-23 *The Inclusive Bible*
May we hear in these words, the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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GOSPEL LESSON: Matthew 25:31-46 *The Inclusive Bible*
May we hear in these words, the Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE: "View from the Throne" Pastor Joanne

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: *Sharing our joys and concerns*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Abba God, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kin-dom 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 kin-dom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS & OURSELVES

DOXOLOGY: "Give Thanks" TFWS 2036 Elder Turpin

1 Give thanks with a grateful heart

Give thanks to the Holy One

Give thanks because God's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

(Repeat 1x)

2 And now let the weak say, "I am strong"

Let the poor say, "I am rich"

Because of what the Lord has done for us

(Repeat 1x)

Give thanks, Give thanks.

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Holy God, use us, and these gifts, to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and honor your
presence in all people; through Jesus Christ our lord. Amen.**

+HYMN: "All Creatures of Our God & King" UMH 62 (V. 1, 4-5, 7) Elder Turpin

ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Joanne

BLESSING AND SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

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COMING UP

Blessing Box needs: Dry rice and beans; canned tuna, fruit, pasta, stews and chilis; dry pasta and tomato sauce; applesauce and fruit cups.

Sunday, Nov. 26: Kids will make Advent wreaths during fellowship.

Monday, Nov. 27: Overnight Maureen's Haven program

Sunday, Dec. 3: First Sunday of Advent. Chrismon tree in the sanctuary will be decorated at the end of worship. Advent Bible study begins at 11:15 am.

Monday, Dec. 4: Overnight Maureen's Haven program

Friday, Dec. 8: Parents' Night Out, 6 to 9 pm.

December 8 & 9: "Star" gifts due for Heart of the Hamptons program.

Sunday, Dec. 10: Second Sunday of Advent.

Monday, Dec. 11: Overnight Maureen's Haven program

Saturday, Dec. 16: Our annual children's Christmas program has been re-imagined as a breakfast with storytelling, games, and crafts. 9 to 11 am.

Sunday, Dec. 17: Third Sunday of Advent.

Thursday, Dec. 21: "Service for the Weary," 7-8 pm. This contemplative service is designed for those struggling with the holidays and provides space for prayer, reflection, and remembrance.

Sunday, Dec. 24: Fourth Sunday of Advent, Worship at 9:30 am, and Christmas Eve candlelight service at 7 pm.

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