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November 23, 2025

11:00 am

BETHANY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Christ the King/Reign of Christ Sunday

WELCOME EVERYONE! Thank you for worshiping with us!

— *As the music begins, please quiet your hearts in preparation for worship.* —
**Please stand as you are able*

VOLUNTEERS SERVING TODAY

Media: Scott Berry, Jeremy Nardozi, Susannah Hogge, Cathy Raines, Aidan Dumbrocyo
 Altar Guild this month: Kathy Jacobs, Nancy Kendall, Shannon Roane
 Liturgist: Joshua Minor
 Trustee Contact this week: Don Thomas
 Greeter: Clair Hillard
 Ushers: Milton Hudgins, Kirk Bell
 Counting Team: Mary Kaylor, Ann Byrd, Wendy Hogge

STEWARDSHIP	11/16
General Fund	3148.00
Pastor's Discretionary Fund	60.00
ATTENDANCE	11/16
In person Worship – 8:30 am	27
In person Worship – 11:00 am	44
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Intrada *Rejoice, the Lord is King* UMH 715

Welcome and Announcements Pastor John Choi

***Call to Worship** Josiah Minor

Leader: "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God,
 "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

Congregation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be unto the Lamb!

Leader: Worthy is Christ who has ransomed us by his blood
 from every tribe and tongue and nation,
 who made his people a kingdom, and priests to our God.

**All: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,
 who was and is and is to come! Amen.**

***Hymn** *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* UMH 694

Responsive Reading – Psalm 46: 1-2, 6-11

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.**

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.

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.

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, now is,
 and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

Opening Prayer Josiah Minor

Almighty and everlasting God, it is your will to restore all things to Christ, whom you have anointed priest for ever and ruler of creation. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of Christ, who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.

Anthem "Autumn Carol" Russell Schulz-Widmer

Children's Time (All children are invited to attend Children's Church afterwards) Ellie Fountain

Concerns and Prayer of Intercession, Petition "Lord, hear our prayer."

The Lord's Prayer UMH No. 895

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom 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 kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Meditation *Sinfonia from Cantata No. 29: "We Thank Thee, God, We Thank Thee"* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

Prayer for Illumination Josiah Minor

O God, our guide, set your path clearly before us, and lead us to follow you willingly for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Scripture Reading Jeremiah 23: 1-6 Josiah Minor

Sermon "The Shepherd King" Pastor John Choi

Response to the Word - Psalm 23 UMH 137b

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:

he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,

I will fear no evil: for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies:

thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life:

and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

Offering and Offertory Prayer Pastor John Choi

Offertory *Triumphal March on "Now Thank We All Our God,"* Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)
from *Sixty-six Chorale Improvisations*

***Doxology** UMH 95

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

***Hymn** *Now Thank We All Our God* UMH 102

***Benediction** Pastor John Choi

***Closing Chorus** *Emmanuel, Emmanuel* UMH 204
Emmanuel, Emmanuel, his name is called Emmanuel.
God with us, revealed in us, his name is called Emmanuel. (Repeat 1x)

Exodus *O Worship the King* UMH 73
"Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer and Friend."



