

The First Congregational Church

November 22, 2020

Kent, Connecticut

10:00 AM

A Community of Faith, Service and Love

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

HYMN #23

All Creatures of Our God and King

All Creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us
Sing Alleluia, Alleluia! O burning sun with golden
Beam, and silver moon with softer gleam, O praise him, O
Praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O rushing wind that art so strong, you clouds that sail in heaven
Along, O praise him, Alleluia! O rising morn in praise
Rejoice, O lights of evening, find a voice, O praise him, O
Praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

O flowing water, pure and clear, make music for you Lord to
Hear, Alleluia, Alleluia! O fire so masterful and
Bright, providing us with warmth and light, O praise him, O
Praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

All you who are of tender heart, forgiving others, take your
Part, sing praises, Alleluia! All you who pain and sorrow
Bear, praise God and on him cast your care, O praise him, O
Praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, and worship him in humble-
Ness, O praise him, Alleluia! Praise, praise the father, praise the
Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One, O praise him, O
Praise him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

OPENING PRAYER

**O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service,
and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the
wisdom to know what is right, and the strength to do it; loving**

**others as you have loved us, and helping everyone who needs our
help, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, in whose name
we pray. Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI (#734)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, Amen.*

SCRIPTURE:

Matthew 25:31-46

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me. Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you? And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me. Then he will say to those at his left hand. ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you? Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, Just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

SERMON

HYMN #341

Jesus Shall Reign

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom spread from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To him shall endless prayer be made,
And endless praises crown his head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With every morning sacrifice

People and realms of every tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song,
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name.

Let all the people rise and bring
Their special honors to our King;
Angels descend with songs again
And earth repeat the loud Amen.

PRAYER CONCERNS, PASTORAL PRAYER, LORD'S PRAYER
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.

OFFERING

Invitation

Doxology (#34)

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.

Prayer of Dedication

HYMN #106

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, ye ransomed from the Fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe, on this terrestrial ball,
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Ministers: Community of Faith

Pastor: The Rev. John David Heeckt

Organist: John Paul Zurlo

Soloist: Veralyn Davee

Video Team: Jennifer Moros and Bethany Keck

WE WELCOME ALL who are worshipping with us via the internet.

Prayer List:

Doctors, Nurses, Hospital staff, prayers for PPE, treatments, vaccines, all those with COVID 19 and their families, Food service people, truck drivers, all those out of work, Barbie, Kris, Judy, Jim and Betsy, Sawyer, Erin's family, Don, Virginia, Dan, Bill, Catherine, Living

Water Church, The Duncan Family, Lewis, Lisa, Judy's sister. Devin & family, Joe, Eric and family, George, Erin

OFFERING

Please mail your offering in weekly/monthly

First Congregational Church
PO Box 306
Kent, CT 06757

Phone: 860-927-3335
Website: fcofkentct.org
Minister: fcckentminister@gmail.com
Office: fcckentoffice@gmail.com

