

Palisades Presbyterian Church
Sunday Readings

November 25, 2007

Christ the King Sunday

Lay Reader: Nina VonEckardt

Leads Call to Worship

Offers the following prayers

(Feel free to write your own. If you have an extended reading for the "Prayer for Illumination" please speak with Ray beforehand.)

Prayer for Illumination

Almighty God, in you are hidden all treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonder in these words and message they carry for our lives. **Amen.**

Offering of Our Gifts and Tithes

Creator God, we know that you have made everything in this world. You have been generous to us and we invite all gathered here to be generous in return. Amen

Prayer of Dedication

We dedicate this offering, Lord, for the work of the church, and we ask you to use all that we have and all that we are in your service. Amen.

If you have any questions or need any help, please call Ray at 914 682 3659 or email: ppc10964@verizon.net

Christ the King (or Reign of Christ) Lectionary:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says 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.

³Then 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. ⁴I 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.

⁵The days are surely coming 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. ⁶In 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."

Luke 1:68-79

⁶⁸"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for God has looked favorably on the people and redeemed them. ⁶⁹God has raised up a mighty savior for us in the house the servant David, ⁷⁰as was spoken through the mouth of God's holy prophets from of old, ⁷¹that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who hate us. ⁷²Thus God has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors, and has remembered the holy covenant, ⁷³the oath that was sworn to our ancestor Abraham, to grant us ⁷⁴that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies, might serve God without fear, ⁷⁵in holiness and righteousness for all our days.

⁷⁶And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare God's ways, ⁷⁷to give knowledge of salvation to the people by the forgiveness of their sins. ⁷⁸By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, ⁷⁹to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace."