

# GILEAD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Convinced of God's Grace, we affirm that there can be no exclusiveness in the body of Christ. We welcome all regardless of race, ethnic heritage, national origin, age, gender, marital status, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic standing; and we encourage the full participation of all in the life of our congregation.

**Sunday, November 26, 2023, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Christ the King Sunday, Year A**

*We welcome Elder Leslie Palmieri to the pulpit today!*

OPENING MUSIC                      "Andante Cantabile" from Symphony #4"                      by Charles Widor  
Mary Temple, organ

CALL TO WORSHIP                      (from Psalm 100)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

**Congregation: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into his presence with singing.**

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us and we are his.

**Congregation: We are God's people, the sheep of his pasture.**

Leader: Enter God's Gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.

**Congregation: Give thanks to God; bless his name.**

Leader: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever.

**All: God's faithfulness is from generation to generation. Let us worship God!**

**\*PURPLE HYMNAL #268                      "Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING PRAYER

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Shepherding God, you have called to us, but we have not answered. You have sought us out, but we have continued to wander. You have tenderly gathered us together and cared for us, but we have not extended that same care and mercy to others. Forgive us. Remind us. Teach us. Set us free from sin that we might turn**

**toward your love and justice for the whole world. Guide us so that, tentative step after tentative step we may walk your way. Amen.**

SILENT PRAYER

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

**\*THE GLORIA**

**Glory to the Creator, and to the Christ, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.**

**\*THE PEACE OF CHRIST**

Leader: Peace be with you. **People: And also with you.**

ANTHEM

“Rejoice, the Lord is King”  
Gilead Singers

by Charles Wesley  
and John Darwall

TIME FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

*The children are dismissed to Sunday School.*

SCRIPTURE

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.”

*Matthew 25:31-33*

“Then the King will say to those on his right, “Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.”

*Matthew 25:34-36*

SERMON

“Back Again”

Leslie Palmieri

**\*PURPLE HYMNAL #450**

**“Be Thou My Vision”**

PASTORAL PRAYER

**THE 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE OFFERING

OFFERTORY

"He is King of Kings"  
Gilead Singers

African-American Spiritual

**\*DOXOLOGY**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**\*PURPLE HYMNAL #263**

**"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"**

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL BENEDICTION

"What Does the Lord Require of You?"  
Gilead Singers

POSTLUDE

"Ode to Thanksgiving"  
Mary Temple, organ  
& Penny Cameron, piano

by John M. Rasley

\*The congregation is invited to stand. **BOLD:** Congregation responds/sings

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*Thank you to our Lay Reader today  
and our videographers, Stephanie and Alexis Gould.*

*Our chancel flowers today have been given  
In celebration of Julie Temple's birthday  
by Mary Temple*

## This Week at Gilead

Today Sunday, November 26

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship.
- Following worship, join us for coffee, fellowship, and a light brunch.
- 12:00 p.m. Congregational meeting to review the CAT results.
- Session meeting to follow congregational meeting.
- Greening of the Church following Session meeting.

Monday, November 27

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Wednesday, November 29

- 8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer on Zoom; the link is in the weekly email.

Thursday, November 30

- 11:00 a.m. Stretch Exercise Class

Friday, December 1

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Gilead Food Pantry

Sunday, December 3 First Sunday of Advent

- 9:10 a.m. Gilead Singers rehearse.
- 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship. Rev. Doug Phillips preaching.
- 12:00 p.m. Harp & French horn concert with Alyssa & Peter Reit. Light brunch prior.

### Upcoming:

Sunday, December 10: Gilead Singers rehearse, 9:10 a.m. Juergen Tempel, cellist.

Sunday, December 17: Carol singing, 3:00 p.m. All are welcome! See Mary Temple for more info.

Our November Mission is collecting new children's winter coats and accessories for Putnam Community Action Program. You can find good deals at Kohls and Marshalls. If you would rather donate money towards purchasing coats, you can write a check out to Gilead, with "November Mission" in the memo line, and Redd Behan will do the shopping. Any amount helps. Thanks!

*We accept offerings through the "Online Giving" link on our website, [www.gileadchurch.org](http://www.gileadchurch.org), or mail checks to Gilead Presbyterian Church, 9 Church Street, Carmel, NY 10512*

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