WITNESS

telling our stories, offering expressions of faith, being Christ-like {Together}

FINANCIAL GIVING BEARS WITNESS to a caring and sharing God, as do our prayers, presence, and acts of service.

Ministry Costs

Your Contributions

November I – 17

\$6,403

\$14,219

These numbers reflect a planned gift on the part of Dola Mayo, a member who recently died and in her death, blessed the church where she married and worshipped for well over fifty years. Our gratitude~

Boulevard United Methodist Church



When Jesus said that his kingdom was "not of this world" he didn't mean that it was merely spiritual, or relegated to a future age beyond history or in heaven. The kingdom of God that Jesus announced and embodied is what life would be like on earth, here and now, if God were king and the rulers of this world were not.

- Daniel B. Clendenin

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Christ the King Sunday 4:00 pm at 1837 W Broad St.

Greeting

Rev. Drew Willson

Opening Words

O Ruler of the nations, Desire and longing for wholeness come!

We are your creatures, you formed us of earth: Save your people!

Hymn

Time with Children

Rev. Rachel G. May

Music

Litany

The Christian Year

Christmas and Epiphany

John 1:1-4 Jesus the Light of the World

Lent

Luke 4:16-28

You Lord Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

Easter

Acts 10:34-43

Now the Green Blade Riseth

Pentecost

John 20:19-22 Spirit, Open My Heart

Daniel 7:9-10: 13-14

Sermon Rev. Dan Kim

Offering

The Lord's Supper

Hymn

Dismissal with Blessing

Advent

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God...

Holy, Holy, Lord, God of power and might, Heaven and earth are full of your glory, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

In the fullness of time, you sent Jesus...

And so,

in remembrance of these, your mighty acts in Jesus Christ, we offer ourselves in praise and thanksgiving as a holy and living sacrifice, in union with Christ's offering for us, as we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Pour out your Spirit on us, and pour out your Spirit on these gifts...

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 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, for ever and ever. Amen.

BREAKING THE BREAD
GIVING THE BREAD AND THE CUP
PRAYER

A LITANY FOR CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Christ the King, you have been made head over all things for the Church. Awaken us to live as your body. Work in and through us. *Silence*

We give you thanks, O Lord;

and call upon your Name.

Christ the King, you gather all the nations of the world to yourself. Apply your mercy to all suffering. Extend your justice to the voiceless. *Silence*

We give you thanks, O Lord;

and call upon your Name.

Christ the King, it is from your hand that all are fed. Inspire us to see to it that the hungry eat well and the thirsty drink clean water. *Silence*

We give you thanks, O Lord;

and call upon your Name.

Christ the King, you care for those in prison. Give us hearts for those who are incarcerated. Where there is violence in our city, offer your peace.

Silence

We give you thanks, O Lord;

and call upon your Name.

Christ the King, you are good. Seek the lost, bind up the injured and strengthen the weak. Help us to receive your healing ministry for ourselves.

Silence

We give you thanks, O Lord;

and call upon your Name.

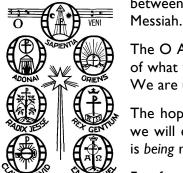
Christ the King, your faithfulness endures. Remember to your followers the hope to which you have called us and the riches of your reign. *Silence*

We give you thanks, O Lord;

and call upon your Name.

O come, Desire of nations bind all peoples in one heart and mind. From dust thou brought us forth to life; deliver us from earthly strife. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to thee, O Israel.

RULER OF NATIONS is the third of six names that we will look at between now and Christmas – ancient names for the



The O Antiphons are one way to tap into the fullness of what we long for in this season of the church year. We are using them to enter into Advent.

The hope is that while we engage something ancient, we will experience something new or something that is being renewed within and among us.

Fun fact: The "O" Antiphons form the verses for the hymn O Come, O Come Emmanuel. The first letter of the Messianic titles: Emmanuel, Rex, Oriens, Clavis, Radix, Adonai, Sapientia—spell out Latin words ERO CRAS, meaning, "Tomorrow, I will come."

Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

⁹ As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire.
¹⁰ A stream of fire issued

10 A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousand served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

The court sat in judgement, and the books were opened. ¹³As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being

coming with the clouds of heaven.

And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

14 To him was given dominion and glory and kingship,

that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

OUTREACH

participating in ministries of compassion, justice, and advocacy {Outward}

OUR CURRENT MISSION FOCUS is United Methodist Family Services. We help them put hope into the holidays for children and families in Virginia. Making a check out to Boulevard UMC and designating it UMFS is the way that we ask you to contribute. Online givers can select the mission box.

POVERTY SIMULATION

Wednesday, December 5 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Good Shepherd Baptist Church, 1127 N. 28th St.

What is a Poverty Simulation?

The goal of the simulation is to bridge the gap from misconception to understanding. It is an interactive immersion experience that sensitizes community participants to the realities of poverty. During a poverty simulation, participants role-play the lives of low-income families ranging from single parents caring for their children to senior citizens maintaining their self-sufficiency on Social Security.

What will you be doing during the simulation?

The simulation provides participants with the opportunity to assume the role of a low-income family member living on a limited budget. The experience is divided into four 15-minute sessions, each of which represents one week in which you must provide for your family and maintain your home. As one participant commented, "This poverty simulation dramatically demonstrates how much time and energy many families have to give just to survive from day to day. It quickly dispels the myth 'that people would do fine if they would only go out and get a job!"

Good to Know:

A light dinner will be served. Children over the age of 12 are encouraged to participate, however, everyone who is participating MUST register (group registration is available) at www.handsonrva.org. Childcare is available for children under the age of 12 who are not participating in the simulation.

NURTURE

caring for one another and for our growth as disciples {Inward}

WE ARE PRAYING for those grieving the deaths of Rita Callis, Deanna Spain, and Charlie Ruxton. Also on our prayer list: Nancy Tate and Leslie. Wish to add or restore a name? Say so via the offering plate or the church's e-mail address.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH for infants - 5 year olds begins after the children's moment (approximately 4:15). They rejoin us for Communion. Ms. LaRonda is an experienced childcare provider currently employed by Grace Covenant Child Development Center.

RECOMMENDED FOR ADVENT 2018 are these resources, listed below. Each book is designed to be read a little at a time. The ask is that you pick one and order it in time to have it by December 2. Sample copies are available for you to flip through before or after our service.

Jesus Calling for Christmas, Sarah Young

Pauses for Advent: Words of Wonder, Trevor Hudson

Celebrating Abundance: Devotions for Advent, Walter Brueggemann

Waiting on the Word: A poem a day for Advent, Christmas and Epiphany, Malcolm Guite

All Creation Waits: The Advent Mystery of New Beginnings, Gayle Boss & David Klein, illustrator

AN EXTRA-DUTY OFFICER with Richmond Police Department is on site today and there is no cause for alarm! This is part of an assessment. We are asking ourselves how we are doing with regard to safety and security. Professionals looking from the outside in are of help to us. The presence of an RPD officer is also a form of practice. If in the future we are advised to add security for whatever reason, we will be familiar with how to make these arrangements and we will have had a chance to experience how, ideally, a law enforcement agent can be present without us walling ourselves off from our neighbors.