



FOUNTAIN HILLS
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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A Covenant Order
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Our Vision: Growing in love for God and others we make disciples for Jesus.

Our Mission: Love God – Love People – Make Disciples.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

November 23, 2025 – 9:00 AM

Gather

PRELUDE

“Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”

George Elvey. Arr. Gail Smith; Dorothy Parris – Piano

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Lord God, the words “Jesus is King” come easily to our lips, yet we often fail to grasp the significance of what they mean for us. In this service, help us worship you in spirit and truth, and give us a vision for how we may live in homage to you every day of our lives, through Christ, our Lord. Amen

WORDS OF WELCOME

Pastor Jim

CHROAL INTROIT

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

Arr. Lloyd Larsen; Celebration Singers

CALL TO WORSHIP

Bob Lull

Leader: O come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**People: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.**

Leader: In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.

**People: The sea is his, for he made it,
and the dry land, which his hands have formed.**

Leader: O come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**People: For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

OPENING PRAYER

Bob Lull

We praise you, great God, for you are ruler of the universe and have sent your Son to be King of kings. We rejoice that he has triumphed over all the powers of this world and governs the nations in justice and righteousness. We celebrate his victory in his life, death, resurrection, and ascension to honor and might at your side. By your Spirit, claim our complete loyalty, establish Christ's rule in every land and in every heart. Accept our homage as we offer our lives in the service of Christ's kingdom. He is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

***OPENING HYMN**

"O Worship the King"

#104, v1,2,4,5

Prepare

CALL TO CONFESSION

Bob Lull

Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake their way, and the unrighteous their thoughts; let them return to the Lord, that he may have mercy on them, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. Trusting ourselves to the grace of God, let us confess our sins before God and one another.
—based on Isaiah 55:6-7

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Bob Lull

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Bob Lull

Do not weep! See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed. With his blood he has purchased people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. He has made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth. Thanks be to God!
—based on Revelation 5:5, 9-10

***DOXOLOGY**

Hear

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Bob Lull

O God Most High! Everlasting Lord, mighty and lifted up! Grant to us your Holy Spirit, that in these words of Holy Scripture our hearts might be lifted up and our minds set on heavenly realities, that contemplating the reign of our ascended Lord we might long to be with him and enter into the joy of his eternal kingdom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

THE MINISTRY OF MUSIC

"Give Thanks/ Now Thank We All Our God"
Arr. Stan Pethel; Celebration Singers

SCRIPTURE John 18:33-37 Pastor Jim

SERMON Warped Gospel: A Kingless Kingdom? Pastor Jim

Respond

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A's 31, 50

Jesus Christ has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who perfectly reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God for our deliverance; our only high priest who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal King who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us. He ascended to heaven, there to show that he is head of his church and that the Father rules all things through him. In all distress and persecution, we turn our eyes to the heavens and confidently await as judge the very One who has already stood trial in our place before God and so has removed the whole curse from us.

HYMN "Rejoice the Lord is King" #370

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE Pastor Jim

THE LORD'S PRAYER

***CLOSING HYMN** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #45

Follow

***BENEDICTION** Pastor Jim

***SENDING SONG** "Let All Things Now Living" #794, v1

(* = please stand if you are comfortably able)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

📖 **WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – EVERY WEDNESDAY**
10:00 AM | Fireside Room
6:00 PM | Fellowship Center

This week, 11/26, there will be no Bible study.

We'll be taking the week off and will resume the following Wednesday.

🙌 **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY** 🙌

Immediately following Sunday Service **Today**, we will hold a **Congregational Meeting** in the Sanctuary for the **election of new Elders and Deacons.**

🌺 **POINSETTIAS** 🌺

Order poinsettias for our Christmas Eve service! Each plant is \$15. Submit your order and payment by **December 5** (checks payable to FHPC, memo: "Poinsettia").

❄️ **STROLL IN THE GLOW** ❄️

Join FHPC at the **Stroll in the Glow on Dec. 6 from 5–8 p.m.** on Ave of the Fountains for a live manger scene with animals, Xmas music, and festive fellowship!



**CHANCEL FLOWERS GIVEN TO
THE GLORY OF GOD...**

In memory of my beloved son,
Michael

-from Joyce Leo



Tuesday, November 25th
6:30 PM at
Scottsdale Bible Church
Fountain Hills Campus

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