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November 22, 2020 – Christ the King Sunday – via Zoom
Liturgy of the Word, Rite II, 10:00 a.m.

Getting to the Service Using Zoom

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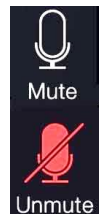
To address a number of issues, Zoom has made numerous updates in their software over the past couple of months to address security related issues. One prevents us from centrally unmuting an individual or everyone.

In the past we centrally muted everyone then selectively unmuted when the priest or the leader of the prayers was speaking or Judith was playing. We would then unmute all for the response. As noted above we can no longer centrally unmute. We are now asking everyone to unmute themselves at the appropriate times.

You will see that at several places where there is a short prayer or reading by the priest, we previously had muted everyone; this week we will not mute everyone in those instances. We will mute everyone for the Epistle and Gospel readings and the sermon, but the reader may have to unmute themselves. Each of you will need to unmute yourself at the appropriate time as is noted below. Please be very aware of any sounds in your area and mute yourself to not disturb the rest of the congregation.

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If you dial in by phone, press *6 to switch between Mute and Unmute.
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A PASTORAL PRAYER FOR THANKSGIVING

Gracious God, we thank you for the goodness of your creation and the abundance of the harvest for our tables throughout the year. Be present with those less fortunate and grant that we might labor in the fields of human want and share from our abundance for those in need. Most especially, do we render our thanks for blessing our parish family and the journey that we are making together in a time of sickness and as we write the next chapter at St. John's. Grant that we might use this holiday to express our thanksgiving for the immeasurable richness given through your Son Jesus Christ. In his Name we pray, Amen.

It is my special privilege to have started this journey with you last July, and even more special to have come to know you as individuals. I pray that this Thanksgiving might be celebrated in ways that do not compromise the health of those we love most dear while finding new ways to express our affection for them that will be more memorable than the difficult times we now live in. May God bless you and yours—and all of us as we journey together as St. John's Parish Family.

Larry

The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. "Larry" Packard
Supply+ Minister

ORDER OF WORSHIP

THE OPENING PRAYER *(each person unmutes themself)*

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Gracious God, (p)
Send your Spirit upon us (p)
during this interim period, (p)
and bless our ministries (p)
for the building up of our parish (p)
and the mission of your Church. (p)
Grant us all things necessary (p)
for our common life and (p)
Help us to reach out (p)
our hands in love of others, (p)
Even as your Son Jesus (p)
reached out his arms on the cross. (p)
In his name, we pray. Amen

OPENING HYMN 494: “Crown him with many crowns” (vs. 1,5)

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns
all music but its own;
awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King
through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of heaven,
enthroned in worlds above;
crown him the King, to whom is given,
the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns,
as thrones before him fall,
crown him, ye kings, with many crowns,
for he is King of all.

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Music: *Diademata*, George Job Elvey (1816-1893); desc. Richard Proulx (b. 1937)

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. *(each person unmutes themselves)*
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Almighty God, (p – pause)
to you all hearts are open, (p)
all desires known, (p)
and from you no secrets are hid: (p)
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts (p)
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, (p)
that we may perfectly love you, (p)
and worthily magnify your holy Name; (p)
through Christ our Lord. (p)
Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE 450: “All hail the power of Jesus’ Name!” (vs. 1,2&6)

Sung by all (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

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!

Crown him ye martyrs of
our God,
who from his altar call:
praise him whose way of
pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all!
praise him whose way of
pain ye trod,
and crown him Lord of all!

Let everykindred, 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!

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you. *(each person unmutes themselves)*

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People **Amen.**

THE LESSONS

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 *(Centrally Mute All – reader unmutes themselves)*

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord. *(each person unmutes themselves)*

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100 *(Book of Common Prayer, p. 729)*

(We will say the Psalm responsively by whole verse with a pause until all are ready for the next phrase at each (p))

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

**2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; * (p)
he himself has made us, and we are his; (p)
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

**4 For the Lord is good; (p)
his mercy is everlasting; * (p)
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

Second Lesson: a reading from Ephesians 1:15-23 (Centrally Mute All – reader unmutes themselves)

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord. *(each person unmutes themselves)*

People **Thanks be to God.**

GRADUAL HYMN 477: “All praise to thee” (vs. 1-3)

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

All praise to thee, for thou,
O King divine,
didst yield the glory
that of right was thine,
that in our darkened hearts
thy grace might shine.
Alleluia! Amen.

Thou cam’st to us in
lowliness of thought;
by thee the outcast and
the poor were sought;
and by thy death was God’s
salvation wrought.
Alleluia! Amen.

Let this mind be in us
which was in thee,
who wast a servant
that we might be free,
humbling thyself to death
on Calvary.
Alleluia! Amen.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. *(each person unmutes themselves)*

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

(Centrally Mute All -- readers unmute themselves)

PLEASE UNMUTE BEFORE YOU READ

Larry/Narrator: Jesus taught the crowds saying to them,

Jesus: "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,

King: '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.'

Jesus: Then the righteous will answer the King:

People 1: '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?'

Jesus: '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 the King will say to those at his left hand,

King: '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.'

People 2: '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?'

King: '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.'

Jesus: And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord. *(each person unmutes themselves)*

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. Packard

(Centrally Mute All – the Priest unmutes himself)

THE NICENE CREED *(each person unmutes themselves)*

We believe in one God, (p)

the Father, the Almighty, (p)

maker of heaven and earth, (p)

of all that is, seen and unseen. (p)

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, (p)

the only Son of God, (p)

eternally begotten of the Father, (p)

God from God, Light from Light, (p)

true God from true God, (p)

begotten, not made, (p)

of one Being with the Father. (p)

Through him all things were made. (p)

For us and for our salvation (p)

he came down from heaven: (p)

by the power of the Holy Spirit (p)

he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, (p)

and was made man. (p)

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius

Pilate; (p)

he suffered death and was buried. (p)

On the third day he rose again (p)
in accordance with the Scriptures; (p)
he ascended into heaven (p)
and is seated at the right hand of the Father. (p)
He will come again in glory to judge the living
and the dead, (p)
and his kingdom will have no end. (p)
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of
life, (p)
who proceeds from the Father and the Son. (p)

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and
glorified. (p)
He has spoken through the Prophets. (p)
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic
Church. (p)
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness
of sins. (p)
We look for the resurrection of the dead, (p)
and the life of the world to come. (p)
Amen.

ST. JOHN'S COLLECT

The Priest and people say (we will pause at the end of each phrase until all are ready for the next phrase)

Gracious God, (p)
Send your Spirit upon us (p)
during this interim period, (p)
and bless our ministries (p)
for the building up of our parish (p)
and the mission of your Church. (p)
Grant us all things necessary for our common life, (p)
And help us to reach out our hands in love of others (p)
Even as your Son Jesus (p)
reached out his arms on the cross. (p)
In his name, we pray. Amen

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, FORM IV

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name
may be united in your truth, live together in your
love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and all of the nations,
in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor
one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own
creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the
service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and
grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one
another as he loves us.

*(Please offer your prayers for thanksgivings,
birthdays, and anniversaries.)*

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind,
or spirit; give them courage and hope in their
troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

*(Please offer your prayers for healing, special
concerns, and safe travel.)*

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

(Please offer your prayers for anyone who has died.)

The Priest adds a concluding Collect.

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**Most merciful God, (p)
we confess that we have sinned against you (p)
in thought, word, and deed, (p)
by what we have done, (p)
and by what we have left undone. (p)
We have not loved you with our whole heart; (p)
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. (p)**

Silence
Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

**We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. (p)
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, (p)
have mercy on us and forgive us; (p)
that we may delight in your will, (p)
and walk in your ways, (p)
to the glory of your Name. (p)
Amen.**

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Then the people greet one another in the name of the Lord. (We will call out each person's name and they will offer us all a greeting.)

THE OFFERTORY: REMEMBER THE WORDS OF THE LORD JESUS AND HOW HE SAID IT IS MORE BLESSED TO GIVE THAN TO RECEIVE.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: "The Thanksgiving Waltz" a media presentation

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Priest says

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Priest and People

Our Father, who art in heaven, *(p)*
hallowed be thy Name, *(p)*
thy kingdom come, *(p)*
thy will be done, *(p)*
on earth as it is in heaven. *(p)*
Give us this day our daily bread. *(p)*
And forgive us our trespasses, *(p)*
as we forgive those *(p)*
who trespass against us. *(p)*
And lead us not into temptation, *(p)*
but deliver us from evil. *(p)*
For thine is the kingdom, *(p)*
and the power, and the glory, *(p)*
for ever and ever. *(p)*
Amen.

THE BLESSING

People Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN 544: "Jesus shall reign" (vs. 1, 4&5)

(There will be one time through with just the music then we will each sing) (Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)

Jesus shall reign where e'er the
sun
doth his successive journeys run;
his kingdom stretch from shore to
shore,
till moons shall wax and wane
no more.

Blessings abound where'er
he reigns:
the prisoners leap to lose their
chains,
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
peculiar honors to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.
Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793)

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *(unmuted)*

People **Thanks be to God.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE *(Centrally Mute All – Judith unmutes herself)*

At the end of the postlude, each person unmutes themselves so we can join in today's virtual reception.

Participants in today's service

Officiant: The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. (Larry) Packard

Readers: Faye Pritchard

Prayers of the People: Barbara Olivere

Announcements

Please note the CURRENT ZOOM link and Meeting ID for this service on the front page!

Join Today's Virtual Reception

You are invited to join St. John's Virtual Reception following today's service. Settle back with a cup of coffee, tea, and favorite goodies, and let's have a round robin time of sharing about anything and all!

Supply and Supply Plus+ Minister. During the interim period, St. John's will be enlisting the Rev. Dr. Laurence K. ("Larry") Packard to officiate Sunday services and provide additional clergy consultation and pastoral care. Please take note that we are not using an interim rector and that the lay leaders of the parish remain in charge.

Pastoral Care during the Interim Period. The Rev. Dr. Laurence K. ("Larry") Packard is available for pastoral care—abiding by the Diocesan health and safety guidelines. He may be reached at: minister@stjohnsarlingtonva.org or 703-425-8315 or 703-606-3109.

The church building and office are still closed. Please refrain from going there. Virginia checks the office phone messages and the mail. If you have any administrative questions, you can reach her at office@stjohnsarlingtonva.org (preferred) or leave a message on the church phone, 703-671-6834.

Our Senior Warden, Cassandra (Sandy) Winger, is the individual charged with leadership until St. John's appoints a successor to Ann. She can be contacted at srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org or on her cell phone at 703-498-6990.

From the Senior Warden's Letter

In Sandy's letter, she reminds us to complete the survey for the Profile Committee, and to turn in your pledge cards. She thanks us for all of our AFAC donations and reminds that AFAC could use your help with holiday donations including salt, pepper, sugar, poultry seasoning, sage, ginger, and vanilla extract. She thanks Lynn Robinson for taking our donations to AFAC every Tuesday, and Bill Pritchard for organizing our third Friday bagging team at AFAC. She announces our special Christmas Eve service on Zoom at 5 pm. And she reports that she served as our delegate to the recent Diocesan Convention which approved the process to elect a new Diocesan Bishop in 2021.

Would you like to receive Holy Communion?

If you would like to receive the Holy Communion, please contact The Rev. Larry Packard, and he will arrange for you to receive it in the safety of strict health protocols and at your most convenient time and place. Contact him at minister@stjohnsarlingtonva.org or on his cell phone 703-606-3109 (no voice mail).

Bingo is this Saturday night, November 21 at 7 pm

Get ready. If you enjoyed our prior Zoom bingo nights you'll want to play again. If you haven't played before, you might want to try it. If you are interested, let Sandy know by Friday night at srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org or at 703-498-6990.

St. John's Book Club meets on Tuesday, December 2

Full details on time and format to be decided. They are reading *Murder at the Vicarage* by Agatha Christie. Everyone is invited to attend even if you haven't read the book. This is a social gathering.

St. John's position on racism can be found on the home page of our website, www.stjohnsarlingtonva.org.

A note from Sandy Winger, Sr Warden/Arlington Thrive board member: St. John's contributes to Arlington Thrive. If you are coming up short on expenses, you can contact Thrive for assistance at <https://arlingtonthrive.org/>.

Are you in need of a Notary Public? Sandy Winger is a notary and she is offering her services to parishioners. Feel free to contact her at 703-498-6990 or srwarden@stjohnsarlingtonva.org.

Back to School Supplies

St. John's **continues to collect** school supplies for our neighborhood elementary schools. There are no lists of preferred supplies this year, but you can be sure the needed supplies will be much the same as in previous years. A collection bin has been set up on the Pritchard's front porch, 5713 Fifth Street South, just a half-block down from the church. Faye will deliver the supplies to the school and the school will bundle the supplies into packets to be sent home to the students.

As an aid to choosing what supplies to buy, a list from last year has been posted on St. John's web site.

Prayers and Cards

Prayers for Sunday Services. We are inviting you to send the names or intentions which you would like included by the person leading the prayers, as we had been doing via the book at the rear of the church. Email your request to prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org no later than Friday so Barbara Oliverre can be sure to get the information to the person leading the prayers. Please note in your email that this is a "Service Prayer" request.

Cards. We have been sending birthday and anniversary cards to members, when we are aware of it, cards to those who are sick, and periodic "thinking of you" messages. Please let us know if you think someone needs a card. Email requests to prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org and note in your email that this is an "Card" request.

St. John's Intercessory Prayer group is a ministry which will include prayers for anyone who needs it. (If you have a need for prayer for yourself or for a loved one, please let us know.) If you are interested in participating in this ministry, let us know.) Email to prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org and note in your email that this is an "intercessory" request not for Sunday service prayers.

Barbara Oliverre is the coordinator for these three items and if you would rather call you can reach her at 571-228-1399. The prayers@stjohnsarlingtonva.org emails go to Barbara and Virginia Pearson.

AFAC still needs our help. They are looking for non-perishable food, such as low-sugar cereals, tuna, cooking oil, dried spaghetti (not canned), and condiments (salsa, ketchup, mustard, mayonnaise, and salt & pepper). If you can, please bring items to the church now and drop off in the big box in front of the church door (Lexington St side). The need is great as we have so many more people who are hungry. You can also donate money to AFAC by sending a check to AFAC, 2708 S. Nelson St., Arlington, VA 22206. Or you can give online at their website www.afac.org.