

Christ the King, Year B: Collects (CW) & Readings for 21 November 2021

The Collect

**Eternal Father,
whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to the throne of heaven
that he might rule over all things as Lord and King:
keep the Church in the unity of the Spirit
and in the bond of peace,
and bring the whole created order to worship at his feet;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

Meditation before service

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end.

Alternative Collect for Christ the King (CW)

Daniel 7.9–10, 13–14

Old Testament reading

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. ¹⁰A 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. ¹⁴To 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.

Psalm 93

(BCP)

- 1** The Lord is King, and hath put on glorious apparel : the Lord hath put on his apparel, and girded himself with strength.
- 2** He hath made the round world so sure : that it cannot be moved.
- 3** Ever since the world began hath thy seat been prepared : thou art from everlasting.
- 4** The floods are risen, O Lord, the floods have lift up their voice : the floods lift up their waves.
- 5** The waves of the sea are mighty, and rage horribly : but yet the Lord, who dwelleth on high, is mightier.
- 6** Thy testimonies, O Lord, are very sure : holiness becometh thine house for ever.

Revelation 1.4b–8

New Testament reading

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. ⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸'I am the Alpha and the Omega', says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Gospel Reading

John 18.33b–37

Pilate asked Jesus, 'Are you the King of the Jews?' ³⁴Jesus answered, 'Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?' ³⁵Pilate replied, 'I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?' ³⁶Jesus answered, 'My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.' ³⁷Pilate asked him, 'So you are a king?' Jesus answered, 'You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.'

Postcommunion Collect

**Stir up, O Lord,
the wills of your faithful people;
that they, plenteously bringing forth
the fruit of good works,
may by you be plenteously rewarded;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Saints and Angels

Welcome to the choir's concert, in church this afternoon at 5pm...

Anthems of joy and remembrance

Our new choir robes will be dedicated during the concert

Refreshments will follow the music

Admission free

Donations to church funds

Singing enables praise because it involves the whole person: it is at once mental, emotional, and muscular, a work of the spirit and a work of the flesh, a work of individuals and a work that fosters fellowship.

Michael O'Connor, 'The Singing of Jesus'



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Christ the King

Welcome to our Eucharist

Celebrant & Preacher	The Rector, Revd Canon Rachel Watts
Reader	Richard Cole
Intercessor	Vivian Anthony
Organist	John Wardle
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Setting	Thorne, <i>Mass of St Thomas</i>
Entrance hymn	360 Bring to the Lord a glad new song
Reading (NT)	Revelation 1.4b–8
Gradual song	164 You are the King of glory
Offertory hymn	595 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Recessional hymn	612 Christ triumphant, ever reigning
Communion anthem	Anon, <i>Rejoice in the Lord alway</i>

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say rejoice. Let your softness be known unto all men: the Lord is e'en at hand. Be careful for nothing, but in all prayer and supplication let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesu. Amen.

Philippians 4.4–7 (Great Bible)

Please remember in our prayers

The sick: Jane Downs, Sandra Kneale, Mary McWhinnie, Gail Nichols, Heather Schlich, David Price, Ian Cripps, Kathleen Watts, Pauline Simper, Adrian Simper, Sybil Cripps Daniels, Fran Britnell

The departed: Stephen Freeman, Pat Taylor

Year's mind: Florence Bagnall, Tom Dorman, Deirdre Goodman

NOTICES

Lunchtime Concert Music for flute and piano, played by Charity Lai and Simon Smith, 1.20 pm on Wednesday.

Daylight Centre Shop, Wellingborough Anne and Malcolm will be going on Thursday **25 November**. Please contact us (01572 820534) if you have anything clean, saleable and suitable. All items in bags please. They take everything EXCEPT pillows, duvets and large pieces of furniture. We usually collect in the morning of the day we are going. Thank you.

Advent Carols (1) Our own Advent Carol Service (with candles, of course) takes place the following Sunday (28th) at 6 pm. Do join us for a reflective act of worship to introduce us to the time of 'waiting for the Lord'.

Christmas in Uppingham Thursday **2 December**, 5 pm to 8 pm in church. Offers of help with the children's activities would be greatly appreciated. If you can help, please email Jenny on uppinghamchurchoffice@gmail.com with a time (30-minute slots would be super). Thank you!

Afternoon Concert There will be a short recital of music for trumpet and organ by Andy Harris and Fergus Black on Saturday **4 December** in church at 3 pm.

Advent Carols (2) Uppingham School extends a warm invitation to their Advent Carol Service, taking place on Sunday **5 December** at 7 pm in the School Chapel. The service reflects on the great and solemn themes of Advent in beautiful, candlelit surroundings, with readings, hymns and choral music from the School's superb Chamber Choir.

The service is free, and there is no need for a ticket – please just turn up on the night. Please note that social distancing may not be possible at this service. We ask you not to attend if you have any symptoms which may be COVID.

If you need further details, please contact the chaplain, Revd James Saunders, at chaplain@uppingham.co.uk.

The **Christmas Grand Prize Draw** is back after its absence due to lockdown.

Once again there are many prizes:

1st prize : £100 cash

2nd prize: Dinner for two, with wine, at the Falcon Hotel, Uppingham

3rd prize: Luxury hamper

4th prize: Brunch for four at Bowden Stores

5th prize: Home baked luxury Christmas cake (un-iced)

And over 30 other fantastic prizes.

Tickets are available in church on Sundays up to 28 November, and at a stall on the Market Place, Uppingham on Saturday 27 November and in church at late night shopping on Thursday 2 December. Ticket stubs and monies to be returned by Friday 10 December. The draw will take place in church on **Saturday 11 December** at 10.15 am. If you would like tickets but are unable to get to church, please contact Sue Cripps on 850800 (evenings only).

This is a fantastic fundraiser for the church. Thank you for your support.

Richard Cole would like to thank everyone who responded to his request for help in finding a suitcase last week.

CPRE Quiz It's time for the annual mental workout which is the CPRE Christmas Quiz; only £2.50 to have your brain turned inside out for a good spring-cleaning. This year's theme is 'Green and Pleasant Land: English Towns and Cities'; available online or in person from its creator, Philip Riley.

Mothers' Union Trish Damen still has five Mothers' Union diaries left. If you would like one, please contact her on 821899 or at the Christmas meeting. She will also be getting some new greetings cards next year and will therefore have some reduced price cards for sale.