

# CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY



## **Bausman Memorial United Church of Christ**

*No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.*



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**November 23, 2025**

**9:30am Worship**

# WELCOME TO BAUSMAN!

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**1<sup>ST</sup> TIME GUESTS:** Most everything you need is found in this bulletin. Plus, those around you are glad to help and an usher is always available at the main rear entrance. If there are ways we can better extend God's hospitality, leave us a note on the Welcome Card. Your insights are essential as we continue to grow into the community God is calling us to be. Thank you!

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** Congregational readings are in bold with an *All*, *People*, or *Unison* designation. Songs are in the bulletin or pew hymnal. Times for standing and sitting are listed, with it always being okay to remain seated.

**"BUSY BAGS":** Coloring books and crayons are available in the north narthex (lobby) for use during worship. Please return all items following the service for others to use the following week. See an usher for assistance.

**NURSERY CARE:** Available during worship for children birth-kindergarten. The nursery is past the office, to the right. See an usher for assistance.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Is held during worship for 1<sup>st</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> graders, except the first Sunday of the month. Youth meet their teachers after the children's message in the sanctuary. Parents, please pick up your child from the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor classrooms immediately following worship. Follow signs for the office.

**RESTROOMS:** Ladies and a unisex/accessible bathroom (with wall mounted baby changing table) are available through the doors at the front of the sanctuary. Follow the signs to the office. Bathrooms are on the left.

**LARGE PRINT BULLETINS:** Contain printed scripture and music, in addition to being in a larger font. Ask an usher for a copy.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE:** Ask an usher at the rear entrance to the sanctuary who will provide you with a device directly tied into the sanctuary sound system. Please return the device to an usher at the conclusion of worship.

**GET CONNECTED:** Use the pew holder Welcome Card to register your attendance, share contact information, ask questions, and more. Once completed, place it in the offering plates during the offering time.

**WIFI & DEVICES:** Thank you for silencing all your devices during worship. Bausman's guest wifi is accessible with the passcode: "gladurhere!"

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

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## WE GATHER TO BE GOD'S PEOPLE

**Centering Thoughts:** What does it mean to say, "Jesus is Lord." In Jesus' time, it was an act of rebellion and insurrection. Because if Jesus was Lord, then Caesar or other early powers were not the ones you bowed down before. Which raises a question. When we say that Jesus is Lord, do we mean it? Do we mean that there is no other lord above Jesus and therefore Jesus is the one we follow with the fullness of our heart, hope, and devotion? It is a bold thing to declare Jesus as Lord!

### Opening Chimes

### Welcome & Announcements

### Sharing of Christ's Peace

*(Rise in body or spirit to share Christ's peace using customary forms of greeting or by using a peace sign. Please be seated once the prelude begins.)*

### Prelude: "Christ the King Reigns" - Ben Logan

*(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into our presence, calling us to worship)*

*(Please rise in body or spirit)*

### Call to Worship

**Pastor:** Glory be to the Lord our God.

**People:** Praise sings from our lips for the one who has born us to life.

**Pastor:** God has made us a little lower than angels.

**People:** God has crowned us with glory and honor.

**Pastor:** Not because we are holy or just.

**People:** But because we are loved.

**Pastor:** Praise sings from our lips for the one who has raised us from the dust.

**People:** With joy we worship the Lord our God. King of Kings.

**Lord of Lords. To God be our praise.**

**Pastor:** Amen!

**Processional Hymn:** "All Creatures of Our God and King" (p. #S 10)

## WE CONFESS OUR NEED FOR HEALING & GRACE

## Call to Confession

### Corporate Confessional

**All:** Though we declare God is King and Lord of all,  
too often our actions say otherwise.  
We bend our knee to the almighty dollar,  
we worship the perception of success.  
We make saviors out of political figures,  
we relentlessly pursue the gods of pleasure,  
all while neglecting your greater call.  
Have mercy upon us, O God.  
And have mercy upon all those we have knowingly,  
and unknowingly, harmed in our treasonous pursuits.  
Save our souls. Redeem our lives. Inspire us with your Spirit  
to live in faith of your truth.  
Through Christ, our King, we pray. Amen.

### Personal Silent Confession

*(Personal prayers for God's healing and redeeming peace)*

### Assurance of Grace

**Pastor:** ...We are healed and forgiven of our sins  
because Christ chose not to be king of this world,  
but to be Savior of our lives.

**People:** Praise be to Christ, who is Lord of us all. Amen!

### Praise Response *(Unison)*

And God will raise you up on ea - gle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn, make you to shine like the  
sun, and hold you in the palm of God's hand.

*(Please be seated)*

## **WE LISTEN FOR GOD'S LIVING WORD**

### **Message for the Young & Young at Heart**

*(All youth are invited to come forward to the front steps. Those in 1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> grades are dismissed to Sunday School or back to their guardians following the message.)*

### **Prayer of Illumination**

**All: Holy Spirit, come and open now our hearts to the living Word of God.  
Help us to listen, to learn, and to be changed.  
Speak through the scriptures so we may know truth  
and live as a people faithful to Christ, to one another,  
and to our every neighbor. Amen.**

### **Old Testament Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6 (p. #725)**

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

### **Gospel Lesson: Luke 23:33-43 (p. #89)**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and

offering him sour wine and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God!

**Sermon:** “The King of Kings”

**Chancel Choir Anthem:** “Canon of Thanks” - Donald Moore

## **WE RESPOND TO GOD**

*(Please rise in body or spirit)*

### **Statement of Faith – Colossians 1:15-20**

**All: Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation;  
for in him all things were created,  
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,  
whether thrones or dominions or principalities or authorities –  
all things were created through Christ and for Christ.  
Christ is before all things, and in him all things hold together.  
Christ is the head of the body, the church;  
he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,  
that in everything he might have supremacy.  
For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,  
and through him all things are reconciled to God,  
whether on earth or in heaven,  
by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. Amen.**

*(Please be seated)*

## **Knit Hat Ministry Recognition & Dedication**

Leader: ...let us join together in prayer.

**All: Gracious God, we give you thanks for the witness of your Gospel,  
embodied in the hats that now surround us.**

Leader: We give you thanks for the contributors of yarn, resources, and money

**People: Whose deep yearning of mercy is woven into every hat.**

Leader: We give you thanks for the knitters.

**People: Whose hands crafted love and compassion  
for warmth in the cold of winter.**

Leader: We give you thanks for the sewers.

**People: Whose threads secured the simple yet profound hope of God.**

Leader: We give you thanks for the organizations who will receive of these hats.

**People: Whose mission is to stand in solidarity alongside the least of these.**

Leader: We pray God for the dignity, mercy, care, and deliverance  
of all those who will receive of our love.

**People: Hold them in the shelter of your wings and as the apple of your eye,  
guiding them, and transforming this world,  
in all that they need for life.**

**All: O God, bless these hats, as we dedicate them to your service.  
Let them be more than fiber and thread.  
Let them be the outpouring of your love,  
the sure and true hope of your presence  
here and alive within this world.**

**Let them be a witness to the reign of Christ that is yet fully to be,  
and yet is found in every act of love – given and received.**

Leader: This we pray, in the name of Jesus, who in teaching us to pray, said:

### **The Lord's Prayer** (sins)

**All: 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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

## **Receiving of Tithes and Offerings**

*(Electronic & physical giving options are available through the pew envelope.  
Register your attendance with a Welcome Card or using Realm's mobile check-in.)*

## Offertory: “Reflection on LOURDES HYMN” - Jon Spong

*(Please rise in body or spirit)*

### Offering Response *(Unison)*

The musical score is written for unison in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of two systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are: "Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; Praise God, all crea-tures here be-low; Praise God a-bove, you heaven-ly host: Praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost." The melody is simple and hymn-like, with a final double bar line at the end of the second system.

### Prayer of Dedication

**All:** We praise you God for the bounty you spread upon the earth  
and the stewards you have created and called us to be.  
Bless the gifts we give in faith of you. Multiply their blessing, we pray,  
that the broken may be healed, the hungry fed, the lost found,  
the alien welcomed, and every captive set free,  
as you deepen our faith and walk with you.  
Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## WE GO WITH GOD’S CALLING

### Recessional Hymn: “Lead On, O King Eternal” (p. #S 92)

*(The acolyte carries the light of Christ into the world, as the choir leads us in the way.)*

### Commissioning & Benediction

### Chimes

### Postlude: “Grand Jeu” - Pierre Du Mage (1674-1751)

*(If you will be participating in the Advent Workshop, please remain seated for the postlude to receive instruction following its conclusion. For all others, as the postlude concludes, go in peace to love and serve at the calling of God.)*



## THIS WEEK AT BAUSMAN

### **Sunday, November 23 – Christ is King Sunday - Knit Hat Blessing – Advent Workshop & Lunch**

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Sunday School, Nursery
- 10:45 AM Advent Workshop & Lunch
- 3:00 PM Boy Scouts – Fellowship Hall
- 8:00 PM Wyo Cub Scouts, Committee Meeting - Library

### **Monday, November 24**

- 9:00 AM Exercise Group – Fellowship Hall
- 11:00 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

### **Wednesday, November 26**

- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

### **Thursday, November 27 – Thanksgiving Day**

- 10:30 AM Women's Recovery Group, Fellowship Hall

### **Friday, November 28**

- 11:30 AM Turning Point Group, AA – Fellowship Hall

### **Sunday, November 30 – First Sunday of Advent, Tree Decorating**

- 8:30 AM Chancel Choir
- 9:30AM Worship, Nursery

## PRAYERS & CARES

### **Congregational Cards of Care**

God invites us to share life-giving love through our faith. One way to do this is to weekly join in our “Cards of Care” ministry. This week we are uplifting Kenneth Fisher, who is one of our Home Congregants. Stop by the table in the front left corner of the sanctuary to add your name and care to this week's card. Thank you!

### **Prayer Requests**

Thank you for joining in the joy and care of others by including the following prayers in your prayer times. Submit your prayer requests by using a Prayer Card, contacting the church office, or the prayer chain coordinator (Mary Moll). Prayer requests are maintained for up to four weeks and can be resubmitted an unlimited number of times. When possible, please check with the person before submitting their name.

**Healing & Strengthening:** Helen Fisher; Virginia Buser; Katie Burns; Erin Humes; Mike McLaughlin; George; Rev. Millard Fisher; Lori Moser

**Care & Support:** Rosedale UCC, Laureldale and Pastor Selina Hamilton; Randy Ulmer; Wisdom & Faithfulness For the 2026 Budget; Christina Cambell; Lorraine Yahner; Tracey Rohrbach

**Comfort In Time of Loss:** The Family of Bridget Orner; Moretz Family; The Family of Ray Miller

### **Birthdays Celebrated this Week**

11/23 Paul Oxholm

11/25 Sue Lewis

11/27 Cheryl Auman

11/28 Mary Hollinger

11/30 Scott Sulzer

### **Anniversaries Celebrated this Week**

11/24 Scott & Diane Sulzer

11/25 Bruce & Renee Dietrich

11/28 Lester & Mary Moll

## **Worship Information**

### **Sponsorship**

Bulletins: To the Glory of God by Sue Wentink.

### **Today's Worship Leaders**

Ministers: All Members

Head Usher: Kent Hollinger

Ushers: Jim Payne, Cindra Payne, Shelby

Brunner, Joe Strohl

Acolyte: Stella & Beatrice Spayd

Reader: Marjorie Miller

Welcome: Bob Showalter

Minister of Music: Sharon Luyben

Preacher: Rev. Joseph Motz

Nursery: Amalia Cannon

Altar Guild: Mary Moll

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### **Last Week's Worship**

**Worship Attendance:** In Person: 96

Online: 9

### **Offerings Received for God's Ministry:**

General Fund: In person \$3028    Online: \$253

2026 Pledge Amount: \$227,412

**“LOOK AND SEE”  
WHAT IS HAPPENING AT BAUSMAN!  
NOVEMBER 23, 2025**

*(Visit [bausmanucc.org](http://bausmanucc.org) and sign up for the weekly e-blasts as well)*

**Advent Sunday Decorating & Pizza Lunch** – Stay following worship, when we will take down & pack the knit hats, help the children make ornaments for the Christmas tree and decorate the sanctuary.

**Angel Tree Tags** - The Angel Tree, which supports underprivileged children and senior citizens through the Salvation Army, is up in the East Narthex. There are 5 Children's tags & 5 Senior Citizen tags left. These tags will contain the items each individual really wants/needs for Christmas. Please restrict your spending to **\$75.00 and under**. When you choose your tag(s), make sure to sign the sheet next to the tree with your name and phone number. All gifts should be put into gift bags only (**NO WRAPPED BOXES**) with the original tag securely attached and returned to the Angel Tree by Sunday December 7, 2025. If you have any questions, please contact Cece Wagner at [cawyo@aol.com](mailto:cawyo@aol.com) and thank you in advance for making Christmas special to those less fortunate than us.

**Bausman is in its 20th year of supporting Family Promise!** The next date to provide a Monday dinner for a homeless family is December 1st. Please consider preparing and delivering a meal to a family as they strive to become independent through Family Promise's program. More information about the family members will follow. Please see Kathy Errich to volunteer to help these local families in need.

**Christmas with the Keystone Brass - Sunday, December 7** we will be welcoming the Keystone Brass Quintet to perform with a pre-service recital beginning at 9:00 AM.

The quintet was founded in 1976 and has more than 350 performances in 49 years. The current members are Peter Johnson (trumpet), Doug Winemiller (trumpet), Steve Burg (horn), Mike Hartman (trombone), and George DeMars (tuba). Their musical style ranges from Renaissance to contemporary music and everything in between.

Be sure to invite a friend! This will be a wonderful concert during worship. The Keystone Brass is sponsored by the Bausman Luyben Music Endowment Fund.

**Bausman's Congregational Meeting - Sunday, December 7** - The Annual Congregational Meeting will be on December 7. It will begin by 11am following the worship and refreshments welcoming Bausman's newest members. The meeting will include election of Consistory members, the proposed 2026 budget, updates on capital projects, and other updates. There will be an online option for attendance. However, to attend online you will need to register in advance of the meeting to receive a link to the private YouTube channel on which the meeting will be broadcast. For more information, look to next week's announcements or the meeting material you received by mail or email.

**Poinsettia Sale** – Next Sunday is the deadline for the first poinsettia orders ~ **pick-up on December 7**.

The last order is due on **December 15 with a delivery of December 24 (Christmas Eve)**. The Christmas Eve delivery will be used to decorate the sanctuary for the Christmas Eve service and may be taken after the service or left in the sanctuary to be delivered to our sick and shut-in members. Poinsettias will be provided by Penny Hill Farm. Orders can be given to Lori Moser at [lmoser928@gmail.com](mailto:lmoser928@gmail.com), 610-678-7395, press #, Bonnie Shiner at [blshiner@comcast.net](mailto:blshiner@comcast.net), 610-488-1671 or drop form off in the church office or offering plate. Each poinsettia is \$11 and are available in four colors. Payment should accompany your order.

**Children's Christmas Pageant** - The annual children's Christmas Pageant will be performed during service on Sunday, December 14. Please plan to attend that day to see our youth act out a story telling the real reason for the season! You won't want to miss this special event.

**Christmas Eve Pre-service Recital Performers - Wednesday, December 24, 2025** - Are you interested in performing for our Pre-Service Recital on Christmas Eve? We are looking for singers, instrumentalists, soloists, or small groups (of all ages) to perform before our Christmas Eve Service. Please contact Sharon Luyben @ 610-334-6479 if you are interested in singing or playing an instrument! Pre-service Recital begins at 6 PM / Christmas Eve Worship begins at 6:30 PM

# \* All Creatures of Our God and King

Ps. 148

Francis of Assisi, 1225


Tr. William H. Draper, 1926

LASST UNS ERFREUEN L.M. with Alleluias

Melody from Geistliche Kirchengesäng, Cologne, 1623

Harm. by R. Vaughan Williams, 1906

Unison




1. All crea-tures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing  
 2. Thou rush-ing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n a - long,  
 3. Thou flow-ing wa-ter, pure and clear, Make mu-sic for thy Lord to hear,  
 4. And all ye men of ten-der heart, For-giv-ing oth-ers, take your part,  
 5. Let all things their cre-a-tor bless, And wor-ship him in hum-ble-ness,



Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia! Thou burn-ing sun with gold-en  
 O praise him, Al-le - lu - ia! Thou ris-ing morn, in praise re -  
 Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia! Thou fire so mas-ter-ful and  
 O sing ye, Al-le - lu - ia! Ye who long pain and sor-row  
 O praise him, Al-le - lu - ia! Praise, praise the Fa-ther, praise the

Refrain



beam, Thou sil-ver moon with soft-er gleam,  
 joice, Ye lights of eve-ning, find a voice,  
 bright, That giv-est man both warmth and light, O praise him,  
 bear, Praise God and on him cast your care.  
 Son, And praise the Spir-it, Three in One.



O praise him, Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia!

# Lead On, O King Eternal

Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888

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Henry T. Smart, 1836

1. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, The day of march has come;  
2. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, Till sin's fierce war shall cease,  
3. Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, We fol - low, not with fears,

Hence - forth in fields of con - quest Thy tents shall be our home.  
And ho - li - ness shall whis - per The sweet a - men of peace.  
For glad - ness breaks like morn - ing Wher - e'er thy face ap - pears.

Through days of prep - a - ra - tion Thy grace has made us strong,  
For not with swords' loud clash - ing, Nor roll of stir - ring drums,  
Thy cross is lift - ed o'er us; We jour - ney in its light;

And now, O King e - ter - nal, We lift our bat - tle song.  
But deeds of love and mer - cy, The heav'n - ly king - dom comes.  
The crown a - waits the con - quest; Lead on, O God of might.