

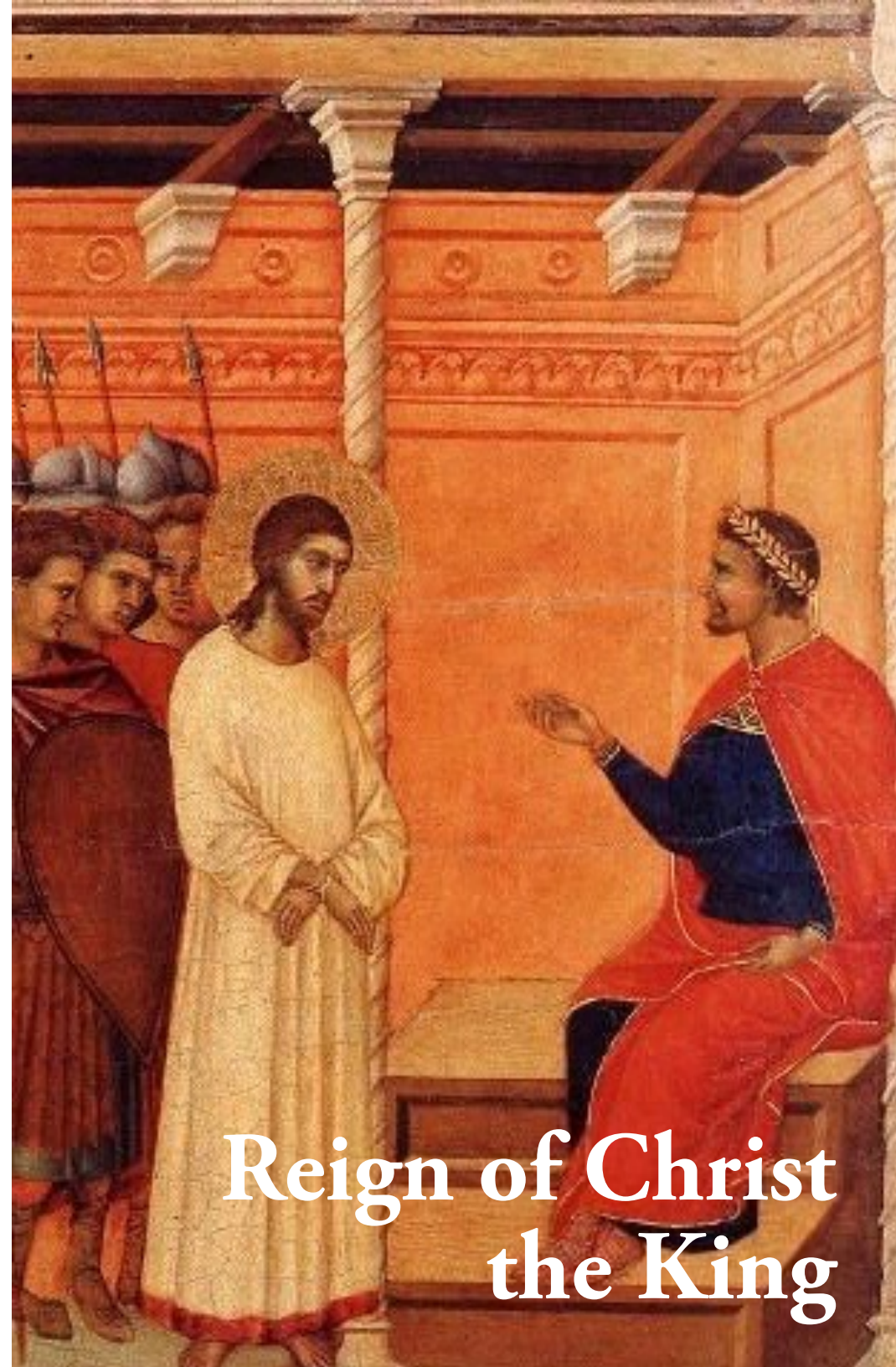
We are an imperfect community striving to live into the beautiful story of God in our wonderful yet broken city. As an historic church with a vibrant future ahead we invite you to join us as we seek God's glory and neighbor's good together!

WORSHIP NOTES:

- Welcome! If you would like to find out more about our community or speak with one of the pastors, please email Pastor Aaron at aaron@rescov.org.
- Children are welcomed and encouraged to join us in the worship service. We provide a nursery for infants on the main floor and childcare for toddlers in the basement for the duration of worship.
 - Pre-K Activities: Following the Passing of the Peace, Pre-school through Kindergarten aged children are invited to line up in the Narthex for class lasting until communion.
- "You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd" was written by Canadian United Church minister Sylvia Dunstan. Serving as a prison chaplain, Dunstan wrote it on a commuter bus heading home from the prison after "a particularly bad day." It explores how the many paradoxes of Christ's reign—the one who is both lowly and exalted, prince and slave, peacemaker and sword-bringer.
- "Be Thou My Vision" is a hymn text dating from at least the eighth century that takes its inspiration from the story of St. Patrick defying the High King Logaire of Tara. The king declared that no one was to light any fires before the pagan spring festival, when a ceremonial fire would be lit on Tara Hill. Defying the orders, St. Patrick lit the ritual fire for the Easter Vigil, declaring his allegiance to the High King of heaven rather than any earthly king.
- The bulletin cover is entitled "Christ before Pilate Again" by the Italian (Siena) artist Duccio di Buoninsegna of the late-13th and early-14th centuries.

Reign of Christ the King (often called either Reign of Christ or Christ the King) is the last Sunday in the liturgical year and celebrates the Lordship of Christ over all creation. The lectionary texts often juxtapose Christ's rule of love, mercy, and justice with the empire's rule of absolute power. The feast day was started by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as a response to the rise of Fascism, modernism, and communism, which the pope saw as vying for the allegiance of Christians around the world.

Aaron Johnson, Dave Bjorlin, Jen Gillan, and
Kyle Mecher serve as our pastors.



Reign of Christ the King

GATHERING

Call to Worship*

Clap your hands, all you people!

shout out in joy to our God!

How awesome is the Ancient of Days,
for Christ is sovereign over all creation
and gives food to the hungry.

Jesus ascends with shouts of joy.

In the midst of trumpet blasts, we proclaim:

Christ is Lord!

For Christ is the Alpha and Omega

**Let us sing praise to Christ,
who reigns over all.**

Hymn*

*Ancient of Days
Alpha and Omega*

Prayer of Confession

**Righteous God,
you have set Christ above all rulers and authorities,
but we confess that we have not bowed before him
and are slow to accept his rule.**

**We give allegiance to the empires of the world
and fail to be governed by justice and mercy;
and we trust more in the law of power
than your law of love.**

In your mercy, forgive us.

**Raise us up in newness of life
to proclaim Christ ruler of all.**

~silent confession~

Assurance of Pardon

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Passing of the Peace*

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Song*

Be Thou My Vision

WORD

Old Testament Lesson

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Psalter

Psalms 93

Epistle Lesson

Revelation 1:4b-8

Gospel Lesson*

John 18:33-37

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Sermon

Pastor Aaron

RESPONSE

Hymn*

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd (see insert)

Life Together &

Prayers of the People

Lord's prayer (*debts, debtors*)

Offering

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Holy Communion

SENDING

Hymn*

Crown Him with Many Crowns (#264)

Charge & Benediction

*Stand, as you are able