

Sermon Guide – November 19, 2023

Read Colossians 1:11-20. Compare this passage with this Affirmation of Faith from our United Methodist Hymnal, page 888:

*This is the good news which we have received, in which we stand, and by which we are saved:*

*Christ died for our sins, was buried, was raised on the third day, and appeared first to the women, then to Peter and the Twelve, and then to many faithful witnesses.*

*We believe Jesus is the Christ, the Anointed One of God, the firstborn of all creation, the firstborn from the dead, in whom all things hold together, in whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell by the power of the Spirit.*

*Christ is the head of the body, the church, and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.*

What does it mean to you when you hear “Christ is King” or “Jesus is Lord”?

Which phrase best describes your relationship with Jesus?

- + Jesus is part of my life. I make room in my life for Jesus, for practicing my faith in him.
- + I am part of Jesus’ life. Everything I do is influenced by my faith in him.

Do you hear the difference in the two? How would your life be different if everything you did were influenced by your faith in Jesus?