

John 18:33-37 *(not being read at Sunday morning service)*

³³ Pilate went back into the palace and called Jesus. “Are you the king of the Jews?” he asked him.

³⁴ Jesus answered, “Does this question come from you or have others told you about me?”

³⁵ Pilate replied, “Do you think I am a Jew? It was your own people and the chief priests who handed you over to me. What have you done?”

³⁶ Jesus said, “My kingdom does not belong to this world; if my kingdom belonged to this world, my followers would fight to keep me from being handed over to the Jewish authorities. No, my kingdom does not belong here!”

³⁷ So Pilate asked him, “Are you a king, then?”

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. I was born and came into the world for this one purpose, to speak about the truth. Whoever belongs to the truth listens to me.”

Readings for

Sunday 25th

November

Psalm 93

Please join in the words in bold.

The Lord is King!

He is clothed with majesty and strength. The earth is set firmly in place and cannot be moved.

Your throne, O LORD, has been firm from the beginning, and you existed before time began.

The LORD rules supreme in heaven, greater than the roar of the ocean,
more powerful than the waves of the sea.

Your laws are eternal, LORD,
and your Temple is holy indeed, for ever and ever. Amen.

Revelation 1:4-8

⁴ From John to the seven churches in the province of Asia: Grace and peace be yours from God, who is, who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits in front of his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first to be raised from death and who is also the ruler of the kings of the world.

He loves us, and by his sacrificial death he has freed us from our sins ⁶ and made us a kingdom of priests to serve his God and

Father. To Jesus Christ be the glory and power forever and ever! **Amen.**

⁷ Look, he is coming on the clouds! Everyone will see him, including those who pierced him. All peoples on earth will mourn over him.

So shall it be!

⁸ “I am the first and the last,” says the Lord God Almighty, who is, who was, and who is to come.