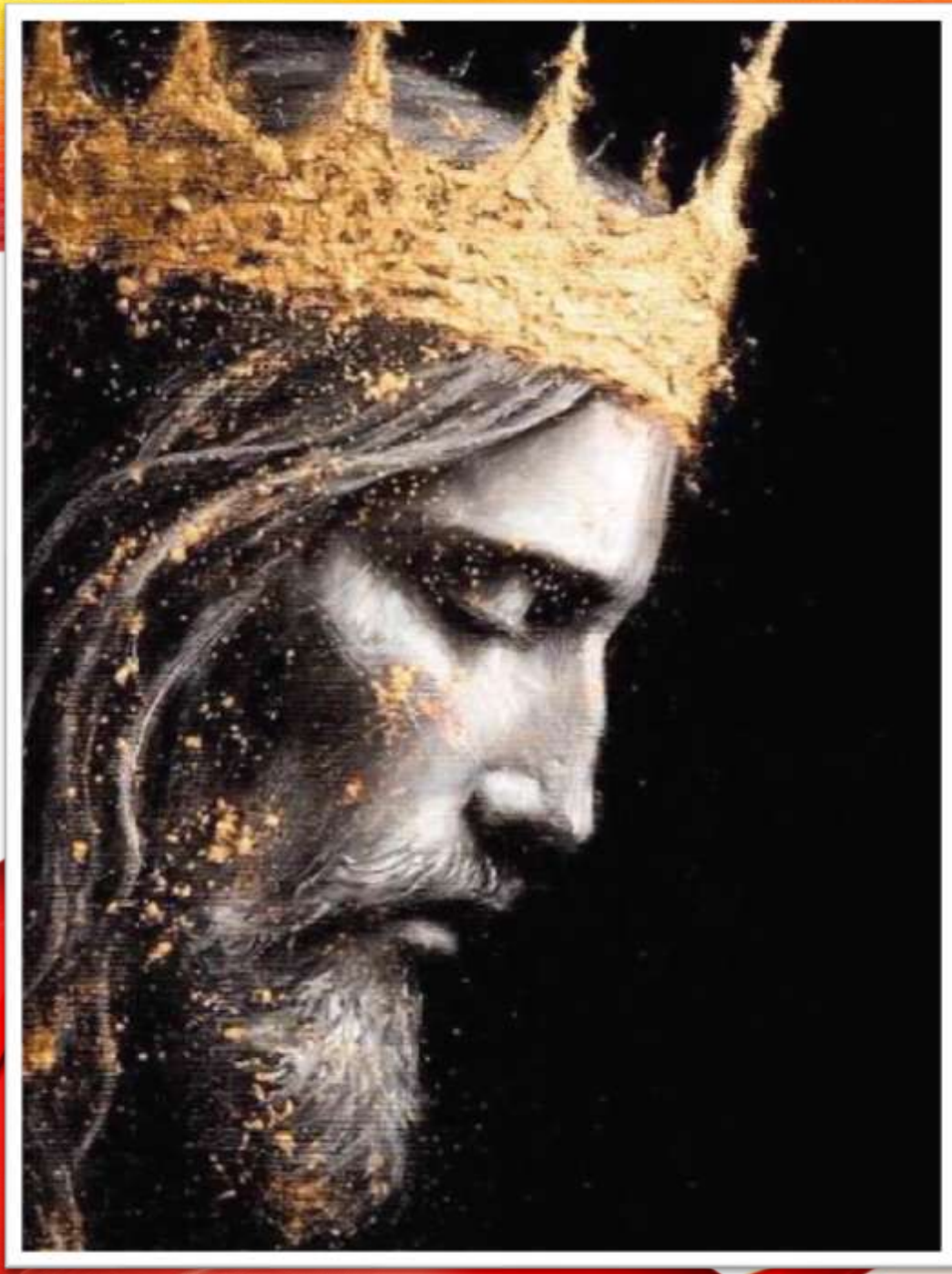


Crossfield United Church Announcements - Nov. 19, 2026

Christ the King Sunday

Instituted by Pope Pius XI in December, 1925, with the last Sunday in October selected as its date, this Roman Catholic tradition has been adopted by other denominations over the past century as part of the ecumenical movement. Since 1970 it has been observed on the last Sunday before Advent. In recent decades some denominations have altered the title in an attempt to address inclusive language concerns, choosing “Reign of Christ” over “Christ the King.” The liturgical colour for Christ the King is white/gold, symbolizing light, heaven, purity, glory and celebration. In the Catholic Church the day is designated a “feast day” in celebration of the “all-embracing authority of Christ which shall lead all humankind to seek the peace of Christ in the Kingdom of Christ.” – *The Oxford Dictionary of the Christian Church, 1957*

What's Happening at Crossfield United this Sunday?

Join us Sunday, November 22nd, at 10 a.m. as we rejoice in the grace of God revealed in Jesus Christ. In the ecumenical church calendar this Sunday is observed as "Christ the King". We'll explore how Jesus' "kingdom" or "realm" differs from more worldly connotations of the term. Prayers, candle-lighting, music, God's Word in scripture and enjoyable fellowship following.





"Christ the King", Irene Thomas (image at left; one section of a much larger work)

A Work "B" or "Be" or "Bee" has been called by for Sat., Nov. 21st at 10 am in order to put up our Xmas Tree as well as our outdoor Nativity scene. Probably just an hour's work.
We'll be decorating the tree after worship on Sunday, Nov.22nd





Crossfield United "Nativi-Tea"

This enjoyable event will be offered once again this year, on **Saturday, Nov. 28th, from 1:00 – 4:00 pm.** Live seasonal music! An array of nativity/crèche scenes! Coffee/tea served with delicious cheesecake! A Christmas cookie walk! Artisan postcard quilts and Christmas tree ornaments for sale, and a fun, Christmasy atmosphere! Also, a very special guest will arrive midway through the Nativi-Tea. Join us! Bring a friend too! *Julie Domenico is the artist who has created the beautiful quilt cards which will be available at NativiTea. Check out her blog with reference to Crossfield United at the following link:* conceptquilts.blogspot.com/2026/10/the-first-christmas.html







Upcoming Sunday Worship Services

November 22nd **Christ the King (Reign of Christ) Sunday**. Pentecost 26. (*Final Sunday in the church calendar year "A"*) **Luke 23:33-43.** ***"A Different Kind of Kingdom".***

November 29th **First Sunday of Advent.** *(also the first Sunday of the new church calendar, year "B")* **Bible focus: Isaiah 40:1-11.** Join us for Advent carol singing, candle lighting, God's Word, the Holy Spirit's presence, and NativiTea leftovers.

December 6th **Second Sunday of Advent.** **Bible focus: Mark 1:1-15.** ***"The Arrival".***



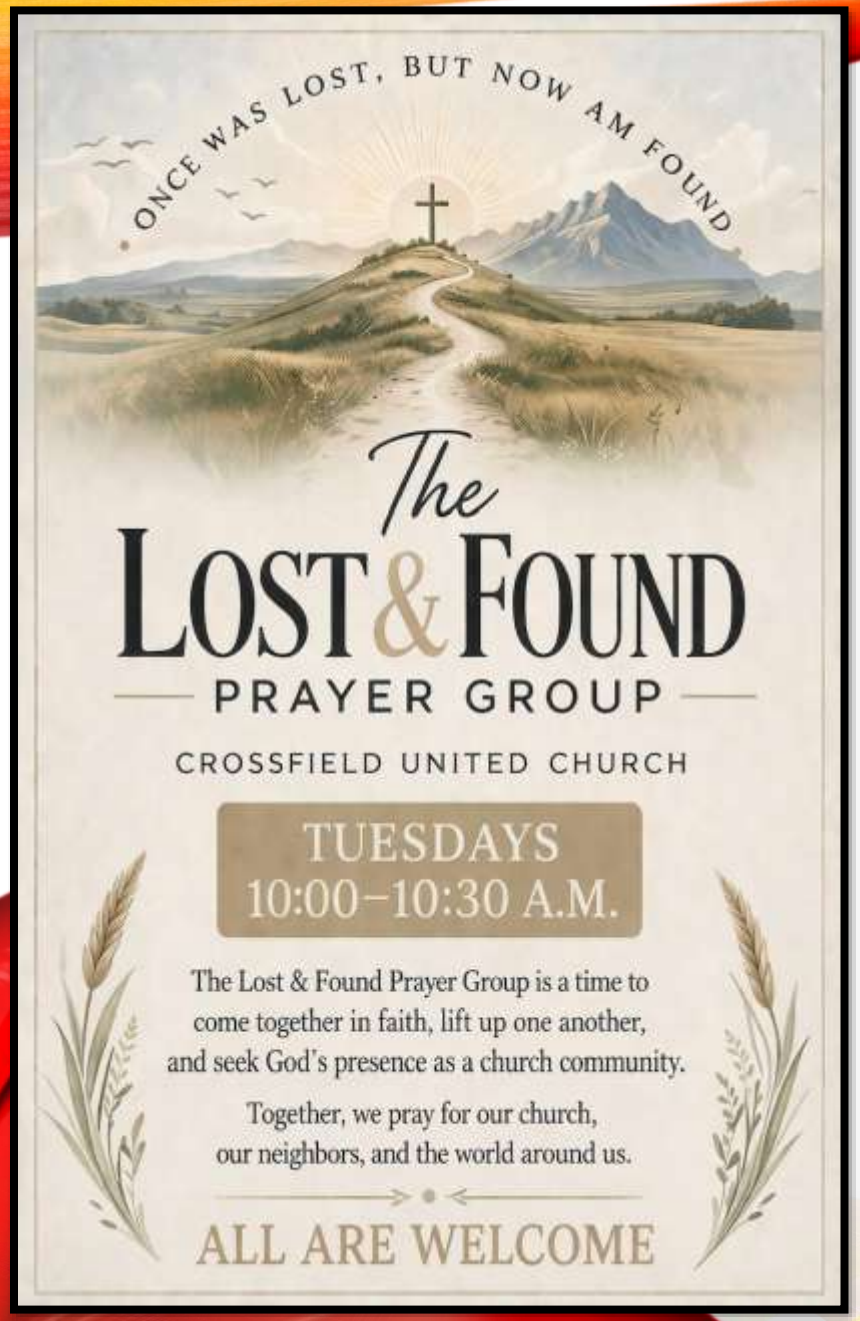
An 8th century Fresco discovered at the Basilica of Sts. Cosmos and Damian, Rome Italy. Note the crown and royal robe of the crucified Christ.

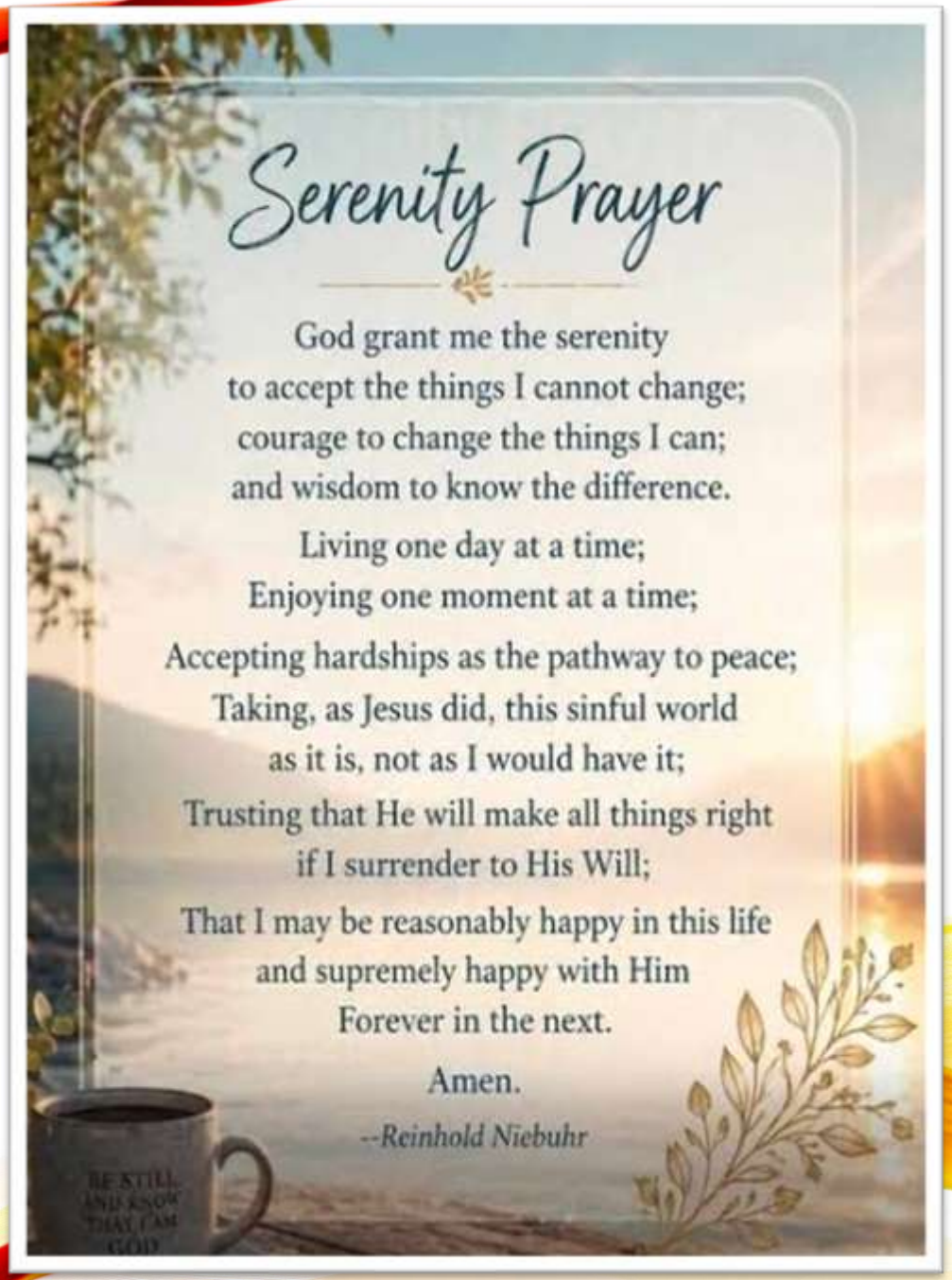
Upcoming Meetings:

Stewardship Comm.: Tuesday, Nov. 24, 1 p.m.

Worship Committee: Wednesday, Jan. 13, 9:30 a.m.

Board: Wednesday, January 20, 1 pm.





Reinhold Niebuhr, born in Missouri, 1892, a child of German immigrants, became one of the leading academics/theologians of the Reformed Christian tradition. Professor of theology at Union Theological Seminary, New York City, he was a leading proponent of what came to be called "Christian realism". His book "The Nature and Destiny of Man" was required reading for generations of Protestant clergy and yes, he wrote "The Serenity Prayer".



Thursday Bible Study/Prayer Group:

We gather in the sanctuary almost every Thursday afternoon for lively discussion, thoughtful sharing, a few laughs and prayer. Join us as we study the Bible texts for the upcoming Sunday service, from 3 - 4:15 pm.

Readings for Nov. 19:

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24.
Psalm 95:1-7a.
Ephesians 1:15-23.
Luke 23:33-43.

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- Karl Barth