

CHRIST

— THE KING —

The Lord's Day, Sunday, September 4, 2022

"...taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ..."



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— ORDER OF WORSHIP —

Thank you for joining us this morning! At Christ the King, our worship is a divine-human dialogue, in accordance with Scriptural example and precedent, alternatively hearing God's Word and responding in prayer, song, or meditation. The boxes throughout the bulletin were written to aid each worshipper in thoughtful and meaningful participation in this dialogue. Please prepare your heart by reading through the bulletin, praying for those leading and worshipping around you, and silencing all communication devices.

** Indicates congregational standing*

WE APPROACH THE LORD

Call to Worship

This psalm, as part of its call of us to worship, relates the provision of the Lord to the fear of the Lord, and to His covenant, all of which are to be understood together.

Psalm 111 ESV

¹ Praise the LORD!

I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,
in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

² Great are the works of the LORD,
studied by all who delight in them.

³ Full of splendor and majesty is his work,
and his righteousness endures forever.

⁴ He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and merciful.

⁵ He provides food for those who fear him;
he remembers his covenant forever.

⁶ He has shown his people the power of his works,
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.

⁷ The works of his hands are faithful and just;
all his precepts are trustworthy;

⁸ they are established forever and ever,
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.

⁹ He sent redemption to his people;
he has commanded his covenant forever.
Holy and awesome is his name!

¹⁰ The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;
all those who practice it have a good understanding.
His praise endures forever!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

Here we praise God for His mercies to us that come in so many forms.

"Let Us with a Gladsome Mind"

(Trinity Hymnal #33)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

This command, based upon the victory of Jesus Christ through His death, resurrection, and ascension, builds upon the proper understanding of work as “the work of the Lord,” which is done with a completely different mindset from “works of the Law” (cf. vv. 56, 57).

1 Corinthians 15:58 ^{ESV}

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

It might be true that no human enemy knows our sin and scorns and accuses us, but the enemy of our souls, Satan, accuses us daily, so that the emphasis in this psalm is patent to all of us.

Responsive reading, Psalm 69:1–18

(Trinity Hymnal p. 809)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

We do not lose heart, but instead are constantly renewed, because of what we know about the triumph of Christ Jesus for us, and the “weight of glory” that awaits the consummation of His victory.

2 Corinthians 4:16–18 ^{ESV}

So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. ¹⁷ For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, ¹⁸ as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen

are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We celebrate in this hymn the great work of Jesus, done while veiled in human flesh, which will be consummated at His coming, and which is our hope and that which energizes us now, along with the Spirit who guarantees this hope.

"One Day He's Coming"

(Trinity Hymnal #327)

WE PRAY FOR EACH OTHER

Prayers of Intercession

During this time, the elders will be in the back of the room, ready to take personal prayer requests from and pray with all who want this. These will be confidential if desired. Everyone who is not receiving prayer will participate in corporate prayer as the worship leader mentions a list of topics. As each item is mentioned, the congregation should respond with, "We offer these our prayers," followed by a brief silent, individual prayer.

WE HEAR INSTRUCTION FROM THE LORD

Sermon

(Mike Biggs)

"Flesh versus Spirit" Part 10

* Galatians 3:1-5

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

WE COMMUNE WITH OUR LORD

Communion Meditation

Words of Institution

Prayer of Consecration

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic* church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (*or universal)

Distribution of Elements

Because we believe that wine was used in the Last Supper and is thus more in accord with the fullness of symbolism intended by God in the Lord's Supper, we offer and encourage wine for those who take part in Communion. For those with conscientious convictions against the use of wine, however, we offer grape juice, which is contained in the inner circle of the communion trays. The cups containing wine are in the outer circles.

"O for a Closer Walk with God"

(Trinity Hymnal #534)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

We partner in the gospel, as did the Philippian church, when we give of our means to support the work of the Kingdom.

Philippians 1:3–5 ESV

I thank my God in all my remembrance of you,⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy,⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now.

"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

(Trinity Hymnal #432)

Presentation of Offerings

(See Communion)

*** Doxology**

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

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.

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We end our service today remembering and celebrating the enthroned Christ, looking above to Him as our hope and the One who guarantees our inheritance, an "eternal weight of glory"

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

(Trinity Hymnal #295)

Benediction

VISION

Purpose (our reason for existence): to reverse the effects of rebellion against God (sin)

Mission (what we are called to do): to build the Kingdom of God, by...

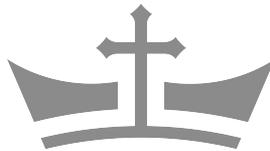
- adding people (incorporation)
- building people (edification)

CoreValues (our fundamental commitments):

1. *Knowing* truth from God (Scripture)
2. *Being* right with God (Justification)
3. *Living* life for God (Sanctification)

Goals (what we seek to accomplish):

1. *Worship*—People experiencing and being attracted to and trained in the enjoyment of God
2. *Fellowship*—People displaying and enjoying genuinely loving and giving relationships/Christian community
3. *Christian Education*—People being confronted with and oriented to the whole truth of God
4. *Outreach*—People being drawn to the Church and trained to draw others
5. *Mercy*—People caring about and meeting the material needs of both non-Christians and other Christians



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