



# CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, October 2, 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

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## Call to Worship

*Our call to worship comes from a psalm which rehearses, throughout the history of Israel, His people's sin and disobedience, and His response of grace and mighty works which delivered them from the misery of their sin. We respond with adoration, thanksgiving, and praise.*

### **Psalms 106** ESV

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD! [leader]  
Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,  
for his steadfast love endures forever!
- <sup>2</sup> Who can utter the mighty deeds of the LORD,  
or declare all his praise?
- <sup>47</sup> **Save us, O LORD our God,** [people]  
**and gather us from among the nations,**  
**that we may give thanks to your holy name**  
**and glory in your praise.**
- <sup>48</sup> Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, [leader]  
from everlasting to everlasting!  
And let all the people say, "**Amen!**"  
Praise the LORD!

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \* Hymn of Praise

*Redemptive history and our remembrance of it are powerful tools to imbed in us a profound sense of our dependence upon God, and His willingness to help and provide for all who trust in Him.*

**"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #30)*

*Hymn of the Month*

# WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

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## \* Reading from the Law

*As we shall see in today's sermon, the meaning of the Sabbath is tied to God's freeing us from the bondage to which we have been subjected in sin. We are therefore commanded to "rest," which is to avail ourselves of the provision of relief from the curse God placed upon our labor, an action which depends upon and expresses our trust in His provision.*

### Deuteronomy 5:12–15 ESV

"Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. <sup>13</sup> Six days you shall labor and do all your work, <sup>14</sup> but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. <sup>15</sup> You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day.

## Silent Confession of Sin

## Corporate Confession of Sin

*Victory over our enemies, especially our spiritual ones (the world, the flesh, and the Devil), involves overcoming the weight of our guilt and its oppressive affect on the thoughts of our hearts. We thus appeal to God with the psalmist for rest from the guilt and anxiety of our sins, which only He can provide.*

Responsive reading, Psalm 13

(Trinity Hymnal p. 787)

# *WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS*

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## Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*Our rest as Christians centers on the work of our High Priest on our behalf, which frees us from the toilsome burden of trying to have life apart from His completely adequate and accomplished work, by which we have unhindered access to God.*

### Hebrews 4:9–16 <sup>ESV</sup>

So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God,<sup>10</sup> for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.

<sup>11</sup> Let us therefore strive to enter that rest, so that no one may fall by the same sort of disobedience. <sup>12</sup> For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. <sup>13</sup> And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

<sup>14</sup> Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup> For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup> Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

### \* Hymn of Assurance

*We celebrate the freedom and rest we have in Jesus and what He has done for us, to which we can add nothing.*

**"Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #188)*

## *WE PRAY FOR EACH OTHER*

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### **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*

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### **Sermon**

(Mike Biggs)

### **"Flesh versus Spirit" Part XIII**

\* Galatians 3:1-5

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

## *WE COMMUNE WITH OUR LORD*

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### **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.*

**"Come, Let Us Join with One Accord"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #393)*

## *WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD*

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### Offering Meditation

*God wants us to be ready to give, not what we do not have, but what we are able.*

### **2 Corinthians 8:9–12** ESV

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich. <sup>10</sup> And in this matter I give my judgment: this benefits you, who a year ago started not only to do this work but also to desire to do it. <sup>11</sup> So now finish doing it as well, so that your readiness in desiring it may be matched by your completing it out of what you have. <sup>12</sup> For if the readiness is there, it is acceptable according to what a person has, not according to what he does not have.

**"What Shall I Render to My God"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #637)*

**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*

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*We close our worship today exhorting one another to look to the consummation of the New Covenant, to the New Heavens and New Earth which Christ will complete at His coming, to the hope that we do not see but confidently expect: the redemption of all things to the glory of God in Christ.*

**"Rejoice, All Ye Believers"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #320)*

**Benediction**