



CHRIST

— THE KING —

The Lord's Day, November 4, 2018

“...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 gray 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.

We encourage parents to involve children as soon as possible in the worship service. In consideration of other worshippers, we request parents with children not yet ready for unobtrusive participation in worship to utilize the nursery or, if necessary, the cry room. A nursery is available for children ages 3 months to 3 years during all Sunday morning activities.

** Indicates congregational standing*

We Approach the Lord

Prelude

Call to Worship

This familiar call to worship is built on seven commands; the central command is to “know” that the LORD made us and we belong to him as sheep to a shepherd.

Psalm 100 ESV

1 Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

2 Serve the LORD with gladness!

 Come into his presence with singing!

3 Know that the LORD, he is God!

 It is he who made us, and we are his;

 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

4 Enter his gates with thanksgiving,

 and his courts with praise!

 Give thanks to him; bless his name!

5 For the LORD is good;

 his steadfast love endures forever,

 and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

This hymn based on Psalm 104 joins together a celebration of God's royal might and praise for his wonderful care.

“O Worship the King” (Trinity Hymnal #2)

W e A c k n o w L e d g e O u r S i n

* Reading from the Law

We often kid ourselves that our mistakes come from not knowing better, yet the Lord has set life and death before us and we choose death. Who will deliver us?

Deuteronomy 30:19–20 ESV

¹⁹I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, ²⁰loving the Lord your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life and length of days, that you may dwell in the land that the Lord swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.”

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Together we confess our sins and ask that God would grant us help to walk in holiness, as he has promised.

Corporate Confession:

Almighty and most merciful Father,
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our
own hearts,
we have offended against thy holy laws,
we have left undone those things which we ought to
have done,
and we have done those things which we ought not to
have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,
spare thou those who confess their faults,
restore thou those who are penitent,
according to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesus our Lord;
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

We Rejoice in the ASSurAnce of forgiveNeSS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Through Christ's atonement our sins are removed from us, so that we see not God's righteous wrath but his fatherly love.

Psalm 103:8–14 ^{ESV}

- 8 The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
9 He will not always chide,
nor will he keep his anger forever.
10 He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
12 as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
13 As a father shows compassion to his children,
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
14 For he knows our frame;
he remembers that we are dust.

* Hymn of Assurance

This hymn adapted from Psalm 103 celebrates God's fatherly love and grace in ransoming, healing, and restoring his children.

“Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven” (Trinity Hymnal #76)

We Pray for Each Other

Prayers of Intercession

(The minister will lead us in prayer, taking requests from individuals.)

We heAr inStruction from the Lord

Sermon

“A Fork in the Road and a King on the Throne” (Tony Pyles)

* Psalms 1 and 2 ESV

1 Blessed is the man

who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

2 but his delight is in the law of the Lord,
and on his law he meditates day and night.

3 He is like a tree

planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.

In all that he does, he prospers.

4 The wicked are not so,

but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6 for the Lord knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

1 Why do the nations rage

and the peoples plot in vain?

2 The kings of the earth set themselves,

and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his Anointed, saying,

3 “Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us.”

4 He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.

5 Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,

6 “As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill.”

7 I will tell of the decree:

The Lord said to me, “You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.

8 Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,

- and the ends of the earth your possession.
9 You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."
10 Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.
11 Serve the Lord with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.
12 Kiss the Son,
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation:

Thanks be to God!

We reSpond to the grAce of the Lord

Offering Meditation

As our cup of blessing overflows, so let us pour out an overflow of offering in thanksgiving.

Exodus 36:2–7 ESV

2 And Moses called Bezalel and Oholiab and every craftsman in whose mind the Lord had put skill, everyone whose heart stirred him up to come to do the work. 3 And they received from Moses all the contribution that the people of Israel had brought for doing the work on the sanctuary. They still kept bringing him freewill offerings every morning, 4 so that all the craftsmen who were doing every sort of task on the sanctuary came, each from the task that he was doing, 5 and said to Moses, "The people bring much more than enough for doing the work that the Lord has commanded us to do." 6 So Moses gave command, and word was proclaimed throughout the camp, "Let no man or woman do anything more for the contribution for the sanctuary." So the people were restrained from bringing, 7 for the material they had was sufficient to do all the work, and more.

Presentation of Offerings

“Lord of All Good, Our Gifts We Bring to You” (Trinity Hymnal #435)

* 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

Reading Psalm 72 in light Jesus, Isaac Watts sends us out this morning in the confidence that the Lord Jesus Christ reigns over all of creation, bringing blessing, freedom, and rest.

* “Jesus Shall Reign” (Trinity Hymnal #441)

Benediction

SERMON NOTES

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“A Fork in the Road and a King on the Throne” (Tony Pyles)

Psalms 1 and 2

Introduction:

There are two ways, one of life and one of death, and there is a great difference between these two ways.

- I. Psalm 1: A Fork in the Road
 - A. The Way of Blessing, vv. 1–3

- B. The Way of the Wicked, vv. 4–5

- C. The End of Each Way, v. 6

III. Take up your Cross and Follow Me

~~For Your Personal Devotions~~

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: