



CHRIST - THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, February 27, 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 passage is part of a great prophecy of the blessing that will come to God's people through the triumph of Christ and the Kingdom established by the New Covenant. It predicts that they will say these words, and we are part of its fulfillment today.

Isaiah 12:4-6 ESV

^{4b} "Give thanks to the LORD,
call upon his name,

make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵ "Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

⁶ Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

Today we begin to worship by acknowledging the reason why our obligation is to offer our whole selves to God: He is both our Creator and our Redeemer.

"Before Jehovah's Awesome Throne"

(Trinity Hymnal #65)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

Because God has chosen us and brought us to Himself, delivering us from slavery, we belong to Him and owe Him our ultimate allegiance, and thus to give such to anyone or anything else is unthinkable and unspeakably wicked.

Exodus 19:3–6; 20:1–3 ^{ESV}

³The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, "Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: ⁴'You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles' wings and brought you to myself.' ⁵Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; ⁶and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.' These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel."

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying,

² "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

³ "You shall have no other gods before me.

Silent Confession of Sin
Corporate Confession of Sin

In this prayer for salvation and deliverance both the psalmist and we recognize that God has delivered us to our enemies because of our unfaithfulness to Him. We pray that God will restore us, not only to blessing, but to the faithfulness on our part that produces it.

Responsive reading, Psalm 80

(Trinity Hymnal pp. 813-814)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

The gospel is in part the story of how the Son of God gave Himself for us in order to purify for Himself a people who are His very own, who are consecrated to Him and eager to be confirmed to His character (i.e., to "do good.").

Titus 2:11–14 ^{ESV}

For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹² training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³ waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of

our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴ who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

This is a hymn of consecration, which is our proper response to, as the hymn says, having "heard [His] voice," and its telling of His love to us.

"I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice" (Trinity Hymnal #533)

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)

"The Liturgy of Life" Part 3

* Exodus 23:10–19

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.

"All to Jesus I Surrender"

(Trinity Hymnal #562)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

The tithes and offerings we present in worship are but a token of that which we are commanded in this passage to offer to God: our whole selves in service to God and the pursuit of holiness.

Romans 12:1-2 ^{ESV}

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God,

which is your spiritual worship. ² Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

"What Shall I Render to My God" (Trinity Hymnal #637, w 1&3)

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

As we have consecrated ourselves to God, we now seek His guidance as we commit ourselves to follow Him as we leave today. This hymn will be our Hymn of Commitment for the rest of this month.

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" (Trinity Hymnal #598)

Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

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"The Liturgy of Life" Part 3

Exodus 23:10–19

(Mike Biggs)

Introduction:

What must we understand from God's law about the nature of the Christian life?

I. The Christian life is defined by *rest in the Lord*, vv. 10–13.

A. Mercy.

B. Worship.

II. The Christian life is defined by *restoration through the Lord*,
vv. 14–16.

A. The symbolism of the Feasts.

B. The lessons of the Feasts.

III. The Christian life is defined by *consecration to the Lord*, vv. 17–19.

A. Token and reality.

B. Devotion and idolatry.

C. Life and death.

— **FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION** —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

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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