



CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, February 28, 2021

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



CHRIST
-THE KING-

— 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

Prelude

Call to Worship

The call to praise God is here based upon the fact of God's election and redemption of a people to be His very own, among which we who believe in Christ are a part.

Psalm 135:1–4 ^{ESV}

¹ Praise the LORD!

Praise the name of the LORD,
give praise, O servants of the LORD,

² who stand in the house of the LORD,
in the courts of the house of our God!

³ Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good;
sing to his name, for it is pleasant!

⁴ For the LORD has chosen Jacob for himself,
Israel as his own possession.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

In our hymn of praise today, as we rehearse and celebrate the qualities of our Redeemer, we also affirm the aspects of our life in the world now which we will explore in our sermon, warfare, hope, and provision through God's presence.

"I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art" (Trinity Hymnal #168)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

The first of these passages sets forth the responsibility of the community whom God has redeemed to purify the evil within it; the second indicates that this responsibility must begin with each individual's attention to his own sin.

I Corinthians 5:1–8 ^{ESV}

It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that is not tolerated even among pagans, for a man has his father's wife. ² And you are arrogant! Ought you not rather to mourn? Let him who has done this be removed from among you.

³ For though absent in body, I am present in spirit; and as if present, I have already pronounced judgment on the one who did such a thing. ⁴ When you are assembled in the name of the Lord Jesus and my spirit is present, with the power of our Lord Jesus, ⁵ you are to deliver this man to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.

⁶ Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? ⁷ Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. ⁸ Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Matthew 7:3–5 ^{ESV}

Why do you see the speck that is in your brother's eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye? ⁴ Or how can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when there is the log in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your brother's eye.

Silent Confession of Sin
Corporate Confession of Sin

This confession highlights the need for the mortification of sin, and appeals to God for grace to engage in it.

Lord God! Eternal and Almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before Your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of ourselves to do any good, who, by reason of our depravity, transgress without end Your holy commandments. Therefore, we have drawn upon ourselves, by Your just sentence, condemnation and death. But, Oh Lord! With heartfelt sorrow, we repent and deplore our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true repentance beseeching that Your grace may relieve our distress.

Be pleased to have compassion on us, O most gracious God, Father of all mercies, for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt and our pollution, grant us the daily increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that acknowledging from our inmost heart our own unrighteousness, we may be touched with sorrow that shall work true repentance, and that Your Spirit, mortifying all sin within us, may produce the fruits of holiness and righteousness well pleasing in Your sight. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*God's response to our acknowledgment of our sin is not only forgiveness, but also cleansing, because salvation is **redemption**.*

I John 1:9 ^{ESV}

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

*We celebrate the great truth of redemption as we sing this hymn: that Christ our Redeemer has made us **free**.*

"I Will Sing of My Redeemer"

(Trinity Hymnal #650)

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 in this way will participate in corporate prayer as the worship leader mentions a list of topics. As each item is mentioned, the congregation should respond with the words, "**We offer these our prayers,**" followed by a brief silent prayer from each individual.*

WE HEAR INSTRUCTION FROM THE LORD

Sermon

"Orientation to Covenant I: Living As the Redeemed". (Mike Biggs)

* Exodus 13

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 wine and encourage those who take part in Communion to take this. For those with conscientious convictions against the use of wine, however, we offer the option of grape juice, which is contained in the inner circle of the communion trays. The cups containing wine are in the outer circles of the trays.

"To You, O Lord I Fly"

(Trinity Hymnal #692)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Christ's redemption of His people involved the payment of a price, and this passage occurs in the context of the Apostle Paul's appeal to the Corinthians to remember this and be inspired to give as well.

2 Corinthians 8:9 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.

"Be Thou My Vision"

(Trinity Hymnal #642, verse 5)

*High King of heaven, my victory won,
may I reach heaven's joys, O bright heav'n's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.*

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

Remembering that while we are in this world, we are called to battle with evil, both within ourselves and in the world, we sing our marching song, reaffirming our confidence in the One who gives us ultimate victory over sin and death.

"Onward, Christian Soldiers" Benediction

(Trinity Hymnal #572)

— SERMON NOTES —

February 28, 2021

“Orientation to Covenant I: Living As the Redeemed”

(Mike Biggs)

Exodus 13

Introduction:

What fundamental truths must we apply concerning the life of the redeemed in this world?

I. We must live as those who *belong to another*, vv. 1, 2, 11–16.

A. The meaning of "firstborn."

B. The significance of "firstborn."

II. We must live as those who *have a distinct identity*, vv. 3-10.

A. Our identity.

B. Our responsibility.

III. We must live as those who *pursue God's promise*, vv. 17-22.

A. Engaged in constant warfare.

B. Inspired by certain hope.

C. Empowered by God's presence.

— FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: