



# CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, March 14, 2021

"...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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### Prelude

### Call to Worship

We are called here to marshal all the resources, musical and other, to express unrestrained and passionate worship that is "according to [God's] excellent greatness."

### Psalm 150 <sup>ESV</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

Praise God in his sanctuary;

    praise him in his mighty heavens!

<sup>2</sup> Praise him for his mighty deeds;

    praise him according to his excellent greatness!

<sup>3</sup> Praise him with trumpet sound;

    praise him with lute and harp!

<sup>4</sup> Praise him with tambourine and dance;

    praise him with strings and pipe!

<sup>5</sup> Praise him with sounding cymbals;

    praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

<sup>6</sup> Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

    Praise the LORD!

### 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.*

**"All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #4)*

# *WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN*

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## \* Reading from the Law

*Just as was commanded in our call to worship, this psalm commands every created being to praise God in enthusiastic worship.*

### **Psalm 148** ESV

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!

<sup>2</sup> Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his hosts!

<sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon,

praise him, all you shining stars!

<sup>4</sup> Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD!

For he commanded and they were created.

<sup>6</sup> And he established them forever and ever;

he gave a decree, and it shall not pass away.

<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth,

you great sea creatures and all deeps,

<sup>8</sup> fire and hail, snow and mist,

stormy wind fulfilling his word!

<sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills,

fruit trees and all cedars!

<sup>10</sup> Beasts and all livestock,

creeping things and flying birds!

<sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth and all peoples,

princes and all rulers of the earth!

<sup>12</sup> Young men and maidens together,

old men and children!

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,

for his name alone is exalted;

his majesty is above earth and heaven.

14 He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his saints,  
for the people of Israel who are near to him.  
Praise the LORD!

**Silent Confession of Sin**  
**Corporate Confession of Sin**

*Several verses in this hymn address some of the things that lead us away from vigorous worship of God: pride, hardship, materialism, grief. We pray for deliverance from the sins associated with these and other temptations.*

**By Thy Mercy**

1. Jesus, Lord of life and glory,  
Bend from heaven thy gracious ear;  
While our waiting souls adore thee,  
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

2. From the depth of nature's blindness,  
From the hardening power of sin,  
From all malice and unkindness,  
From the pride that lurks within,

*Refrain:* By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord  
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

3. When temptation sorely presses,  
In the day of Satan's power,  
In our times of deep distresses,  
In each dark and trying hour:

4. When the world around is smiling,  
In the time of wealth and ease,  
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,  
In the day of health and peace. *Refrain*

5. In the weary hours of sickness,  
In the times of grief and pain,  
When we feel our mortal weakness,  
When all human help is vain.

6. In the solemn hour of dying,  
In the awful judgment day,  
May our souls, on thee relying,  
Find thee still our Rock and Stay. *Refrain*

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## WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

The proper response to the grace of God in Christ to us is effort devoted to worship: "*the sacrifice of praise.*"

#### Hebrews 13:10–15 <sup>ESV</sup>

We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. <sup>11</sup> For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. <sup>12</sup> So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. <sup>13</sup> Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. <sup>14</sup> For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. <sup>15</sup> Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.

Leader: This is the gospel.

**Congregation: Hallelujah!**

#### \* Hymn of Assurance

*In response to the gospel, we express our desire to sing in joyful and grateful worship of the One who has redeemed us.*

"O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing"

(Trinity Hymnal #164)

## *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 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*

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### Sermon

#### "Orientation to Covenant III: Baptism into Moses"

*(Mike Biggs)*

\* Exodus 15:1–21

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 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.*

**"All People That on Earth Do Dwell"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #1)*

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

### Offering Meditation

*One of the "sacrifices of praise," about which we have already read in the passage immediately preceding this verse, is to share what we have, which we do now as we worship through tithes and offerings.*

**Hebrews 13:16** <sup>ESV</sup>

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

**"My Song Forever Shall Record"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #99)*

### 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 with the proclamation that, like the Israelites of old, we will "sing the wondrous story" of our redemption through the Lord.*

**"I Will Sing the Wondrous Story"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #180)*

**Benediction**

# — SERMON NOTES —

March 14, 2021

"Orientation to Covenant III: Baptism into Moses"

Exodus 15:1–21

(Mike Biggs)

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Introduction:

*What do we learn about the worship that is the proper response to our salvation?*

I. Responsive worship involves *emotion*.

A. The importance of passion.

B. The role of music.

II. Responsive worship involves *adoration*.

A. The focus prioritizes God.

B. The form expresses relationship.

III. Responsive worship involves *revelation*.

A. As interpretation.

B. As celebration.

# — FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: