



CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, March 26, 2023

"...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

We are called to rejoice because it is the Lord who reigns, in all His awesome power and righteous execution of His justice.

Psalm 97 ^{ESV}

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We praise God for His sovereignty and purity, two of the most important things revealed in the Tabernacle.

"God, the Lord, a King Remaineth"

(Trinity Hymnal #64)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

As a symbol which represented, among other things, the people of God, it was to point the people to the importance of their holiness in representing Him and their relationship to Him to the peoples of the world.

Deuteronomy 4:5–8 ^{ESV}

See, I have taught you statutes and rules, as the LORD my God commanded me, that you should do them in the land that you are entering to take possession of it. ⁶ Keep them and do them, for that will be your wisdom and your understanding in the sight of the peoples, who, when they hear all these statutes, will say, 'Surely this great nation is a wise and understanding people.' ⁷ For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as the LORD our God is to us, whenever we call upon him? ⁸ And what great nation is there, that has statutes and rules so righteous as all this law that I set before you today?

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Are we guilty of wasting the great gift of God's presence in and with us?

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature—prone to evil and slothful in good—and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

The blessings of the triune God to those whom He has chosen to save are wonderful indeed, especially the fact of the gift of the Holy Spirit, who indwells us and provides us with His constant presence, making us His tabernacles.

Ephesians 1:3–14 ^{ESV}

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,⁴ even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love⁵ he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will,⁶ to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.⁷ In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,⁸ which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight⁹ making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ¹⁰ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

¹¹ In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined

according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, ¹² so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory. ¹³ In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

*** Hymn of Assurance**

Notice that this hymn is both a confession of our sinfulness and an expression of faith in the cross of Christ as our only hope.

"Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

(Trinity Hymnal #251)

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)

"God with Us, Part I, Applied"

*** Exodus 25:1–9; 26**

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.

"Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

(Trinity Hymnal #376)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

It is our duty to give to the Lord, but our giving must be willing and our delight, never under compulsion.

2 Corinthians 9:7, 8 ^{ESV}

Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Or who tends a flock without getting some of the milk?

⁸ Do I say these things on human authority? Does not the Law say the same?

"My Maker and My King"

(w. 1,4)

My Maker and my King,
To Thee my all I owe;
Thy sovereign bounty is the spring
Whence all my blessings flow;
Thy sovereign bounty is the spring
Whence all my blessings flow.

O! Let Thy grace inspire
My soul with strength divine;
Let every word and each desire
And all my days be Thine.
Let every word and each desire
And all my days be Thine.

Presentation of Offerings

(See Communion)

* Doxology

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We close our worship with a prayer that the sovereign Lord will put down all His and our enemies and establish His righteous kingdom forever.

"O God, No Longer Hold Thy Peace"

(Trinity Hymnal #61)

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COMMUNITY

Next Meetings of the Session: March 23rd and April 20th, 2023

Usually, the 2nd Tuesday of the month. See an elder for more information.

The Session (the board of elders governing and shepherding our church) ordinarily holds stated meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, barring unavoidable conflicts, beginning at 7:30 pm at the Taylor home. Other called meetings are scheduled at various times, as needed. Anyone is welcome to attend stated meetings (advance notice is appreciated). For attendance at called meetings, advance request of at least two days is required by emailing the church office at office@ctknorman.org. The minutes of Session meetings are available for review at the church office upon request.

Christian Education • 9:00 am

- Adults – Mike Biggs, Dewayne Taylor
- Scott McPherson – youth (7-12 grades)
- Sara McPherson and Kathleen Scott - 0-3 yr olds
- Nathaniel Beaty and Rea Wallace -4-5yr olds and Kindergarten
- Taylor St Denis and Rachaelyn St.Denis - 1-2 grades
- Sara Howell - 3-4 grades
- Ann Taylor - 5-6 grades

Sunday Worship Service • 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (times are approximate)

Men's Bible Study • Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am • Black Bear Diner, Moore, OK Contact Mike Biggs for details.

Small Groups

Weekly smaller gatherings for study, fellowship, prayer, and ministry in a more intimate setting. See previous page.

English as a Second Language

Please pray for the ESL ministry and that the Lord will provide more teachers and opportunities for training so that we can resume classes.

NEWS

Quote of the Week

"The pattern of replication found in the Tabernacle speaks of the dynamic character of God's revelation and of His program for history. The tabernacle is a replica of heaven, while the Holy Place is a replica of the Most Holy Place, the courtyard is a replica of the Holy Place, and even the people's tent dwellings are replicas of the Tabernacle in a more distant way. These replicas move outward from a centerpoint in heaven to the prosaic everyday life of the people. The outward movement shows that there is yet more to be revealed—the Tabernacle is only a copy of heavenly things (Hebrews 8:5; 9:23; 10:1). The greater revelation of the future goes hand in hand with the accomplishment of God's program for history, namely, to fill the whole world with His heavenly glory (Revelation 22:1:22-23). Then His will shall be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10)."

—Vern Poythress

General Announcements

- **Sundays 9:00 a.m. Christian Education**
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- **The Children's CE Hymn is *Man of Sorrows*.**
- **Next Men's Prayer Breakfast: April 1st at 0800, at Rudy'.**
- **In light of travel and coming births, the Wednesday Covenant Theology small group will be taking a hiatus until 19 April.**
- **Ladies, please add these showers to your calendars and join us in celebration! Stay tuned for further details.**
 - **Baby Shower for Cecca Britt** on April 8th, 10am at the church.
 - **Wedding Shower for Evangeline Latham** on April 22nd, 10am.
- **In preparing your hearts for next week, prayerfully read the bulletin on Sermon Audio, available by Friday.**

Snacks



Fiscal Year
July 1, 2022– June 30, 2023

Contributions to date:	\$181,470.01
Budget to date:	\$168,313.02
Difference:	\$ 13,156.99

Directory



ALL THE KING'S MEN PROJECT: CHRIST THE KING WORKDAY

Project Date: Saturday, April 15, 2023 at 8:00am

Project Address: 2373 Classen Blvd. Norman, OK

Scope of Work:

- Paint 2 Classrooms
- Replace rotted wood in North soffit
- Paint front porch awning
- Repair shelves in storage closet - clean and organize closet
- Clean out back storage shed and sanctuary storage areas
- Clean out exterior HVAC closets

Equipment Needed:

- Paint brushes, rollers, roller extension handles
- Drop cloths
- Step Ladders
- Table Saw
- Circular Saw
- Nail Gun and/or Hammer and Nails for soffit repair



In addition to the equipment listed above, every man should come prepared with work shoes, work gloves, and safety glasses.

Please RSVP by following the QR code.

VBS: Summer SeaQuest June 6-9, Tues.–Fri., 8:30am–12pm.

We will have a walk through time on Monday, June 5th. Volunteers please plan to attend Monday evening.

How can you help?:

1. Volunteer

- 🐟 Class leaders: at least 5
- 🐟 Class assistants: at least 5
- 🐟 Bible lesson characters: 2
- 🐟 Snack coordinator: 1-2
- 🐟 Check in/out welcome table: 1
- 🐟 Fri. Beach Party coordinator/help: 1-4
- 🐟 Set up Team (Monday Afternoon/evening only): Any
- 🐟 Clean up Team (Friday afternoon only): Any

2. Donate time, talents or resources

3. **PRAY! For the hearts of leadership, kids, and volunteers.** That God would provide volunteers, items needed and that He would be glorified in our efforts.

4. Purchase from our Amazon List of needed items



Other needed supplies:

- Cardboard boxes
- Wood pallets (4-5)
- Snack foods
- Water gallons

There are opportunities for anyone interested in serving. If you would like to participate or have questions, please let Taylor St. Denis know.

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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