



# CHRIST

## - THE KING -

The Lord's Day, March 28, 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 to praise the God who alone is worthy of all of our trust and confidence, and hope in whom is a great blessing.

### Psalm 146:1–6 <sup>ESV</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD! (Leader)  
Praise the LORD, O my soul!
- <sup>2</sup> **I will praise the LORD as long as I live; (Congregation)**  
**I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.**
- <sup>3</sup> Put not your trust in princes, (Leader)  
in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation.
- <sup>4</sup> When his breath departs, he returns to the earth;  
on that very day his plans perish.
- <sup>5</sup> Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob,  
whose hope is in the LORD his God,
- <sup>6</sup> who made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them,  
who keeps faith forever;

### Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

#### \* Hymn of Praise

*We begin our praise by extolling the grace of God in guiding His people into the truth through His Word.*

"O Word of God Incarnate"

(Trinity Hymnal #140)

## *WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN*

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### \* Reading from the Law

*The command in this psalm is for Israel, God's covenant people (including us!) to put our trust in Yahweh now and forever. What this means is spelled out in the rest of the psalm, crystallized in the image of the "weaned child." Is this what hope looks like in us?*

### **Psalm 131** ESV

- <sup>1</sup> O LORD, my heart is not lifted up;  
my eyes are not raised too high;  
I do not occupy myself with things  
too great and too marvelous for me.  
<sup>2</sup> But I have calmed and quieted my soul,  
like a weaned child with its mother;  
like a weaned child is my soul within me.  
<sup>3</sup> O Israel, hope in the LORD  
from this time forth and forevermore.

### **Silent Confession of Sin**

### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

*This psalm acknowledges wrestling with thoughts, among which can be temptations to unbelief, and seeks refuge in a renewed commitment to trust God and in prayer for His guidance.*

**Responsive reading, Psalm 13**

*(Trinity Hymnal p. 787)*

## *WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS*

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### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

Taking refuge in the Son is not only how we escape His wrath, but also how all God's blessings are received (2 Corinthians 1:19, 20).

Psalm 2:12 <sup>ESV</sup>

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 gospel.

**Congregation: Hallelujah!**

\* **Hymn of Assurance**

*We rejoice in the blessing that comes from the obedience of faith,  
to which we are called (Romans 1:5, 6; 16:26).*

"Trust and Obey"

(Trinity Hymnal #672)

## *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 V: Lessons from the Bread of Heaven"**

\* Exodus 16

(Mike Biggs)

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.*

**"I Lift Up My Eyes"**

*(Psalm 21, Psalter Project)*

*<sup>1</sup> I lift up my eyes to the mountains,*

*But what is the source of my aid?*

*<sup>2</sup> My help can be found only with the LORD;*

*Both heaven and earth he has made.*

<sup>3</sup> He never allows for your foot to slip;  
Your keeper does not go to sleep.  
<sup>4</sup> See now that the keeper of Israel,  
He never will slumber nor sleep.

<sup>5</sup> The LORD is your keeper; on your right hand  
The LORD as your shade covers you.  
<sup>6</sup> The sun will not strike you throughout the day,  
And neither at night will the moon.

<sup>7</sup> From all that is evil the LORD keeps you;  
Your life he will surely keep safe.  
<sup>8</sup> Both your going out and your coming in  
The LORD will keep now and always.

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

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### Offering Meditation

*Trusting God results in holding what we have loosely enough to give generously, since we know that God will provide for all that we need.*

### **Matthew 6:25–33** ESV

"Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? <sup>26</sup> Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? <sup>27</sup> And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? <sup>28</sup> And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, <sup>29</sup> yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. <sup>30</sup> But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? <sup>31</sup> Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or

'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' <sup>32</sup> For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. <sup>33</sup> But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

**"To You, O Lord, I Fly"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #692)*

**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 a prayer for guidance from the Bread of Heaven, who is Jesus our Lord.*

**"Guide Me. O thou Great Jehovah"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #598)*

**Benediction**



# — SERMON NOTES —

March 28, 2021

## "Orientation to Covenant V: Lessons from the Bread of Heaven"

Exodus 16

(Mike Biggs)

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Introduction:

*How must faith be involved in our covenant relationship to God?*

I. We must adopt the proper object of faith, vv. 1-8.

A. The burden that mediators bear.

B. The temptation that mediators present.

II. We must anticipate the inevitable trial of faith, vv. 9-30.

A. The nature of sin's temptations.

B. The centrality of God's law.

III. We must appreciate the inherent blessing of faith, vv. 31-36.

A. The goodness of God's provision.

B. The memory of God's provision.

# — FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: