

-THE KING-

The Lord's Day, April 4, 2021

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



— 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

This call is based upon a passage in Revelation 5, in which we see a part of the interpersonal back and forth of the worship of heaven, all in response to the triumphant work of the Lamb, Jesus Christ, culminating in His Resurrection, and enabling Him to open the scroll, the covenant document which is the New Covenant, the covenant that fulfills all of God's promises, thus ratifying that covenant and enabling its fulfillment through that work. This is indeed cause to praise our great God, who has supremely revealed His glory through this work of redemption.

Revelation 5:5-14ESV

LEADER: Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that He can open the scroll and its seven seals.

MEN: Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth.

WOMEN: Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!

ALL: To Him who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever! AMEN!!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

There is no greater cause to say "Alleluia!" than this great truth: Christ the Lord is risen! So now sing with loud praise!

* Reading from the Law

This ritual speaks of the fact that death is part of the curse and something that is not fit for the presence of God or at all to be associated with Him and His nature. Its "cleansing" necessarily involves resurrection, which is anticipated by the timing of the cleansing, and which, as does all of the Law, anticipates Christ and His work.

Numbers 19:11-20 ESV

"Whoever touches the dead body of any person shall be unclean seven days. ¹² He shall cleanse himself with the water on the third day and on the seventh day, and so be clean. But if he does not cleanse himself on the third day and on the seventh day, he will not become clean. ¹³ Whoever touches a dead person, the body of anyone who has died, and does not cleanse himself, defiles the tabernacle of the LORD, and that person shall be cut off from Israel; because the water for impurity was not thrown on him, he shall be unclean. His uncleanness is still on him.

¹⁴ "This is the law when someone dies in a tent: everyone who comes into the tent and everyone who is in the tent shall be unclean seven days. ¹⁵ And every open vessel that has no cover fastened on it is unclean. ¹⁶ Whoever in the open field touches someone who was killed with a sword or who died naturally, or touches a human bone or a grave, shall be unclean seven days. ¹⁷ For the unclean they shall take some ashes of the burnt sin offering, and fresh water shall be added in a vessel. ¹⁸ Then a clean person shall take hyssop and dip it in the water and sprinkle it on the tent and on all the furnishings and on the persons who were there and on whoever touched the bone, or the slain or the dead or the grave. ¹⁹ And the clean person shall sprinkle it on the unclean on the third day and on the seventh day. Thus on the seventh day he shall cleanse him, and he shall wash his clothes and bathe himself in water, and at evening he shall be clean.

²⁰ "If the man who is unclean does not cleanse himself, that person shall be cut off from the midst of the assembly, since he has defiled the sanctuary of the LORD. Because the water for impurity has not been thrown on him, he is unclean.

Silent Confession of Sin Corporate Confession of Sin

This confession, penned by Martin Luther as an adaptation of Psalm I 30, well expresses the attitude answered definitively by Christ's resurrection, the source and hope of ours.

From Depths of Woe I Raise to Thee

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark,
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,

O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?)
O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?)

 To wash away the crimson stain, Grace, grace alone availeth; Our works, alas! Are all in vain; In much the best life faileth; No man can glory in Thy sight, All must alike confess Thy might,

And live alone by mercy(Live alone by mercy)
And live alone by mercy(Live alone by mercy)

 Therefore my trust is in the Lord, And not in mine own merit; On Him my soul shall rest, His word Upholds my fainting spirit; His promised mercy is my fort, My comfort and my sweet support;

I wait for it with patience(Wait for it with patience) I wait for it with patience(Wait for it with patience)

4. What though I wait the live-long night, And til the dawn appeareth, My heart still trusteth in His might; It doubteth not nor feareth; Do thus, O ye of Israels seed, Ye of the Spirit born indeed;

And wait til God appeareth(Wait til God appeareth) And wait til God appeareth(Wait til God appeareth)

5. Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth; His helping love no limit knows, Our upmost need it soundeth. Our Shepherd good and true is He, Who will at last His Israel free

From all their sin and sorrow(All their sin and sorrow) From all their sin and sorrow(All their sin and sorrow) @1997 Christopher Miner Music.

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

This is the testimony of all who have trusted in Christ for life and salvation from death.

Psalm 116:1-9 ESV

- I love the LORD, because he has heard my voice and my pleas for mercy.
- ² Because he inclined his ear to me, therefore I will call on him as long as I live.
- ³ The snares of death encompassed me; the pangs of Sheol laid hold on me; I suffered distress and anguish.
- ⁴Then I called on the name of the LORD: "O LORD, I pray, deliver my soul!"
- ⁵ Gracious is the LORD, and righteous; our God is merciful.
- ⁶The LORD preserves the simple; when I was brought low, he saved me.

- ⁷ Return, O my soul, to your rest; for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.
- 8 For you have delivered my soul from death, my eyes from tears, my feet from stumbling;
- ⁹ I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living.

Leader: This is the gospel. Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We rejoice in Christ's victory over the grave, because, as believers in Him, His victory is our victory!

"Up from the Grave He Arose"

(Trinity Hymnal #276)

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

"An Anchor for the Soul"

(Mike Biggs)

* John 20–21

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.

"Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain"

(Trinity Hymnal #266)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Our response to God's resurrection of us in Christ is worship, including worship that is publicly expressed by presenting offering to Him in formal assembly with God's people.

Psalm 116:12-19 ESV

12 What shall I render to the LORD for all his benefits to me?

13 I will lift up the cup of salvation and call on the name of the LORD,

If I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people.

¹⁵ Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.

I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your maidservant. You have loosed my bonds.

¹⁷ I will offer to you the sacrifice of thanksgiving and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁸ I will pay my vows to the LORD in the presence of all his people,

in the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem. Praise the LORD!

"Look, Ye Saints, the Sight Is Glorious"

(Trinity Hymnal #299)

Presentation of Offerings

* Doxology

(See Communion) (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

We depart today with words of triumph on our lips and in our hearts, a triumph only Christ could bestow.

"The Day of Resurrection!"

(Trinity Hymnal #267)

Benediction

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Please contact the following regarding ministry needs, questions, comments, or to notify the church of special situations:

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COMMUNITY

Next Meeting of the Session

The next stated meeting will be April 20th.

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

- Pre-K&Kindergarten Taylor St. Denis
- 1st 3rd grade Vicki Bates
- 4th 6th grade Ann Taylor
- Junior High / Senior High Scott McPherson
- Adult Tony Pyles

Nursery Staff • 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (times are approximate)

Nursery is seeking to reopen. Ladies who are interested in serving in this capacity should contact Sara McPherson.

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

Men's Bible Study • Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am

Currently meets at Jimmy's Egg, 2539 West Main in Norman; contact Mike Biggs for details.

Small Groups

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

English as a Second Language • Thursdays, from 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

We are still meeting this semester via Zoom each week. We have a beginning class that meets from 6:30 - 7:30 p.m. each Thursday. Please be in prayer for this ministry. You are invited to attend any week if you'd like a "peek" at what we do. There is also online training this March. Contact Gail (405.561.2309) for links or questions.

VBS - Olympics!

Olympics! VBS PK—6th grade kids are welcome to come, learn, play and grow in Christ. VBS will also provide many opportunities to serve.

DATE: Monday, June 21st-Friday, June 25th. 9am-12pm.

Volunteers time: 8:30am-12:30pm. All at CTK.

Needed:

- I. **Teachers:** These individuals will lead their respective classes to each activity and facilitate classroom time but not teach Bible lessons. (We need teachers for PK/K, Ist/2nd, 3rd/4th and 4th/5th.)
- Lesson characters: These volunteers will deliver the daily Bible lesson to students through storytelling as a character from the given story. One character is needed per day so please indicate which day you are available.
- 3. Activity Leaders: (speak w/ Taylor St. Denis for more detail)

Crafts

3. •Snacks

2. • Recreation

4. •Skits

- 4. **Volunteer:** (Teacher assistants, leader assistants, and floaters)
- 5. *Skit characters will help in other capacities between skits.

Items/things Needed:

Snacks/food items Recreational/sports equipment
Craft supplies Olympic themed decorations

PRAY: Please be in prayer for VBS. It is coming soon and there is a LOT to get done! Please pray for the volunteers, the children who will come, and their families. VBS is lot of fun, but it is so much more than that! It's an opportunity to share the gospel with the children in our church and community, as well as with their families. It is also a wonderful opportunity for our church family to build relationships, fellowship, and encourage one another! VBS is a blessing every year. Pray that God will do mighty things through this ministry both inside and outside of the church.

We will have enrollment for VBS on our website soon. Please be thinking about and praying for opportunities to invite children to VBS.

Please, if you are lead to help in any capacity, let Taylor know.

Attention Ladies

Ladies (of all ages) of CTK Fellowship,

Spring is here and our Women's Ministry is starting to bud with opportunities to minister and be ministered to.

As all of us are in a different season of life, we would like to know what your particular areas of interest/need are so that together we can encourage and strengthen each other in our journey with the Lord.

Please fill out and submit our survey by pointing your phone's camera at the QR code on the right, and following the link that appears. This will help us determine needs and assist in creating a year of growth in areas of ministry, fellowship, study, etc.



We will meet April 17th for fellowship and discussion on planning for our year. We hope you can attend and share your thoughts.



CTK Women's Fellowship Time April 17, 2021 9-11 AM

Dewayne & Ann Taylor's Home (409 Lake Grove Court - Norman)

Coffee, muffins, brunch items will be provided.

Bring your thoughts, a friend, & the joy of the Lord!

NEWS

Ouote of the Week

"Victory!"

— James Montgomery Boice [his last word, hand and arm raised, on his deathbed]

Announcements

Sundays 9:00 a.m. CE Classes

Sundays 10:30 a.m.
 Worship Service

April 11th 5:30 p.m. Bi-weekly Hymn Sing; Landon Residence

• April 17th 9-11 a.m. CTK Women's Fellowship Time

April 24th 9:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast

• June 21-25, 9 a.m.-12 p.m. VBS: Olympics!

- Please join us for Christian Education, at 9am each Sunday. In addition to the regular curriculum, the children are currently learning "When We Survey the Wondrous Cross". They are taught a hymn each month.
- In preparing your hearts for next week, please prayerfully read through the next bulletin on sermonaudio.com. Search for Christ the King Presbyterian and click on "PDF", to the right of the gray heading. It should be available before Friday.
- The nursery is looking for volunteers! Please contact Sara McPherson if you can serve in this vital ministry.
- Bi-weekly Hymn Sing: Please bring a finger food. Forty-five minutes of singing and forty-five minutes of fellowship are anticipated. (April 11th & 25th)
- CTK Women's Fellowship Time will be held on April 17, 2021 from 9-11 a.m. at Ann Taylor's home (409 Lake Grove Court Norman). Coffee, muffins, brunch items will be provided. Bring your thoughts, a friend, & the joy of the Lord! If you have time, please fill out the survey sent via email on Mar 31st.
- The next Men's Prayer Breakfast will be on April 24. Andrew Sandlin will be Zooming in to discuss his book on prayer.
- **VBS** is a week of fun where any PK-6th grade kids are welcome to come, learn, play, and grow in Christ. There are many opportunities to serve. Please speak with Taylor St. Denis or refer to her email (sent via Jim Leckie on March 31st) for more information.

Church Volunteers

Looking for an opportunity to serve? Please talk to the following people if you can help:

Building Tony Sawyer (405.5 | 2.4397, anthony_sawyer@hotmail.com)

Music Tyler Cowden (816.419.4227) Nursery Sara McPherson (405.664.7708)

ESL Gail Straughn (gailstraughn@ctknorman.org)

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):

- I. Knowing truth from God (Scripture)
- 2. Being right with God (Justification)
- 3. Living life for God (Sanctification)

Goals (what we seek to accomplish):

- 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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

Contributions to date: \$174,005.58*

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