



CHRIST

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, May 21, 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

In our call to worship today, we see two important dynamics of biblical worship brought together: our communion with each other and the Lord, and our worship and blessing of the Lord as those whom He has brought near to Him.

Psalms 133; 134:1, 2 ESV

- ¹ Behold, how good and pleasant it is
when brothers dwell in unity!
- ² It is like the precious oil on the head,
running down on the beard,
on the beard of Aaron,
running down on the collar of his robes!
- ³ It is like the dew of Hermon,
which falls on the mountains of Zion!
For there the LORD has commanded the blessing,
life forevermore.

A Song of Ascents.

- ^{134:1} Come, bless the LORD, all you servants of the LORD,
who stand by night in the house of the LORD!
- ² Lift up your hands to the holy place
and bless the LORD!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We praise the holiness of the One who requires the holiness and consecration of all who would approach Him.

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

(Trinity Hymnal #100)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

Approaching God as He requires is a matter of life and death. What we do with Jesus Christ is bound up with this.

Leviticus 10:1–3 ^{ESV}

Now Nadab and Abihu, the sons of Aaron, each took his censer and put fire in it and laid incense on it and offered unauthorized fire before the LORD, which he had not commanded them. ² And fire came out from before the LORD and consumed them, and they died before the LORD. ³ Then Moses said to Aaron, "This is what the LORD has said: 'Among those who are near me I will be sanctified, and before all the people I will be glorified.'" And Aaron held his peace.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

We appeal to our High Priest for forgiveness in this song of prayer.

Jesus, the Sinner’s Friend

Jesus, the sinners Friend, to thee,
Lost and undone, for aid I flee,
Weary of earth, myself, and sin:
Open Thine arms, and take me in.

At last I own it cannot be
That I should fit myself for Thee:
Here, then, to Thee I all resign;
Thine is the work, and only Thine.

Pity and save my ruined soul;
Tis Thou alone canst make me whole;
Dark, til in me Thine image shine,
And lost, I am, til Thou art mine.

What can I say Thy grace to move?
Lord, I am sin, but Thou art love;
I give up every plea beside--
Lord, I am lost, but Thou hast died.

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WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

We can approach God now with confidence because of the perfect and complete work of Jesus.

Hebrews 10:19–23 ^{ESV}

Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, ²¹ and

since we have a great priest over the house of God,²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We celebrate the only way of salvation provided by our great God and Savior.

"Nothing but the Blood"

(Trinity Hymnal #307)

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, and 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

(Mike Biggs)

"God with Us, Part V: The Significance of Ordination"

* Exodus 29

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.

"Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim"

(Trinity Hymnal #12)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

As a burnt offering was presented on behalf of Aaron at his ordination, so we offer ourselves to God as a "whole burnt offering," as priests to Him.

Romans 12:1 ^{ESV}

I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

"All for Jesus"

(Trinity Hymnal #565)

Presentation of Offerings

(See Communion)

* Doxology

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We close our worship adoring Jesus our High Priest, who gave all for us because of His perfect love for us.

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

1. Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to Thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high.
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
Til lifes storm is past;
Safe into the haven guide;
Receive my soul at last.

2. Other refuge have I none,
I helpless, hang on Thee;
Leave, oh leave me not alone,
Support and comfort me.
All my trust on Thee is stayed,
All help from Thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head
In the shadow of Thy wing.

3. Thou, O Christ, are all I want,
Here more than all I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is Thy Name,
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am;
Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound;
Make and keep me pure within.
Thou of life the fountain art,
Let me take of Thee;
Spring Thou up within my heart;
For all eternity.

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Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

May 21, 2023

"God with Us, Part V: The Significance of Ordination"

(Mike Biggs)

Exodus 29

Introduction:

What do we need to understand about the ordination of the priests in Israel?

I. We must understand the *reasons* for which ordination was commanded, vv. 1-9.

A. Why ordination is necessary.

B. What ordination means.

II. We must understand the *regulations* in which ordination was conducted, vv. 10-37.

A. Atonement.

B. Consecration.

C. Fellowship.

III. We must understand the *responsibilities* for which ordination was conceived, vv. 38-46.

A. Consecration.

B. Circumincission.

— FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

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...

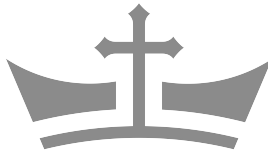
- adding people (incorporation)
- building people (edification)

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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