



# CHRIST - THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, May 7, 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

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## Call to Worship

*This call to worship, drawn from the picture of heavenly worship witnessed by John and recorded in the book of Revelation, informs our worship, focusing it properly as based upon the atoning death of Christ, the Lamb of God, who, in the words of John the Baptizer (as recorded in his gospel by the Apostle John), "takes away the sin of the world (John 1:29)."*

### Revelation 5 <sup>ESV</sup>

LEADER: We proclaim to Christ our King:

"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 to be 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!**

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

**ALL: Amen!**

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \* Hymn of Praise

*The one who died is the one who has now been crowned King because of His death (Philippians 2:5-11; Hebrews 2:9).*

**"Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

*Hymn of the Month*

*(Trinity Hymnal #295)*

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# WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

## \* Reading from the Law

*In the Old Covenant, sin required an offering of an animal that was killed after the sinner laid his hands on the head, and the blood sprinkled on the altar by the priest, signifying that the animal had died in the place of the sinner to make atonement for him. All this pointed to Christ, the final and real offering for the sins of His people.*

### **Leviticus 1:1–5** ESV

The LORD called Moses and spoke to him from the tent of meeting, saying, <sup>2</sup> "Speak to the people of Israel and say to them, When any one of you brings an offering to the LORD, you shall bring your offering of livestock from the herd or from the flock.

<sup>3</sup> "If his offering is a burnt offering from the herd, he shall offer a male without blemish. He shall bring it to the entrance of the tent of meeting, that he may be accepted before the LORD. <sup>4</sup> He shall lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it shall be accepted for him to make atonement for him. <sup>5</sup> Then he shall kill the bull before the LORD, and Aaron's sons the priests shall bring the blood and throw the blood against the sides of the altar that is at the entrance of the tent of meeting.

### **Silent Confession of Sin**

### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

*The classic prayer for forgiveness and mercy offered by David speaks of both the deficient efficacy of animal sacrifices and the desire of God for our hearts, the essence of true repentance.*

**Responsive reading, Psalm 51**

*(Trinity Hymnal p. 804)*

## ***WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS***

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### **Assurance of Pardoning Grace**

*We who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ, so that now we are the Temple, the place of His presence.*

### **Ephesians 2:11–22** ESV

Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called "the uncircumcision" by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— <sup>12</sup> remember that you were at that time

separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. <sup>13</sup> But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. <sup>14</sup> For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility <sup>15</sup> by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. <sup>18</sup> For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. <sup>22</sup> In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

### \* Hymn of Assurance

*Only the blood of Christ is sufficient to atone for our sins, and nothing else, including our tears or regret or striving to change, can add anything to His work.*

**"Not What My Hands Have Done"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #461)*

## *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, 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*

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Sermon

(Scott Morris)

"God with Us, Part III" (continued)

\* Exodus 27

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 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.*

"Praise Waits for Thee in Zion"

(Trinity Hymnal #372)

# *WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD*

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## Offering Meditation

*Our offerings of worship to God are, as we see in this passage, "by the mercies of God," most particularly the offering of Himself to God as a sacrifice of atonement, as we have already seen in our service. Our offerings today are but a token of the presentation of ourselves, in imitation of Christ, as "living sacrifices" to Him as part of a life of worship.*

### **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."

**"When All Your Mercies, O My God",** w 1,4 (Trinity Hymnal #56)

**Presentation of Offerings** (See Communion)

\* **Doxology** (Trinity Hymnal #731)

## Prayer of Dedication

# *WE RESPOND TO THE WORD*

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*We close our worship expressing our trust in and love for Jesus our Savior, in whom is our only hope and our true and full contentment.*

## **"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 life's 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.*

4. *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 7, 2023

"God with Us, Part III" (*continued*)

(Mike Biggs)

Exodus 27

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Introduction:

*What do these elements of the Tabernacle teach us?*

I. The teaching of the Lamp oil, vv. 20, 21.

A. Its meaning.

B. Its application.

II. The teaching of the Courtyard, vv. 9-19.

A. Its meaning.

B. Its application.

III. The teaching of the Bronze Altar, vv. 1-8.

A. Its meaning.

B. Its application.

# — FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

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# VISION

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**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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