

CHRIST -THE KING-

The Lord's Day, July 19, 2020

"...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.

We encourage parents to involve children as soon as possible in the worship service. In consideration of other worshippers, we request parents with children not yet ready for unobtrusive participation in worship to utilize the nursery or, if necessary, the cry room. A nursery is available for children ages 3 months to 3 years during all Sunday morning activities.

* Indicates congregational standing

WE APPROACH THE LORD

Prelude Call to Worship

God's desire, and the goal of His plan for His creation, is that His name be praised from the rising of the sun to its setting. We do our part to that end as we worship today.

Psalm 113:1-3 ESV

- Praise the LORD!
 - Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!
- Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and forevermore!
- ³ From the rising of the sun to its setting, the name of the LORD is to be praised!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We proclaim the greatness of our Savior as we rehearse His dealings with us as our Rock as we sing.

"A Wonderful Savior Is Jesus My Lord"

(Trinity Hymnal #175)

* Reading from the Law

Our fundamental duty as creatures, but even more as redeemed and adopted sons and daughters, is to praise and give glory to God our King, as this psalm commands.

Psalm 150 ESV

- Praise the LORD!
 - Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens!
- ² Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!
- ³ Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp!
- ⁴ Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe!
- ⁵ Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
- ⁶ Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

This focus of this prayer for mercy is that the influence of evil people would not prevail in the life of the psalmist, and that He would be forgiven and, by God's grace, receptive to the Lord's guidance and correction, so being made holy.

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

In Christ's prayer to God the Father before He goes to the cross, He prays (effectually!!) that all who believe in Him would be one with Him, the Father and each other, would see His glory, would share in His glory, and God's love would be in them. These things, and their accomplishment through the subsequent work of Christ, constitute the good news of the gospel for those who are in Him.

John 17:20-26 ESV

²⁰ "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. ²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, ²³ I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. ²⁴ Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. ²⁵ O righteous Father, even though the world does not know you, I know you, and these know that you have sent me. ²⁶ I made known to them your name, and I will continue to make it known, that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

Leader: This is the gospel. Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We proclaim our confidence in Christ alone as we celebrate what He has accomplished for us.

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

(Trinity Hymnal #521)

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

"What God Is Really Up To"

(Rev. Mike Biggs)

* | Peter 2:4-12

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.

"Give Thanks unto the Lord, Jehovah"

(Trinity Hymnal #613)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Sharing that with which God has blessed us is one form of the sacrifice that His Word demands from us, with which He is pleased, and which blesses us more than anyone else in the end (Acts 20:35).

Hebrews 13:16 ESV

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

"All for Jesus"

(Trinity Hymnal #565, vv. 3&4)

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

We close our worship today with a prayer: that God would providentially provide all that we need to do that which He has planned for us to glorify Him, no more and no less.

* "Father, I Know That All My Life"

(Trinity Hymnal #559)

Benediction