



CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, October 10, 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

Call to Worship

Those who are righteous, that is, conformed to God's Law, are here commanded to rejoice in the Lord, because, as the rest of this psalm makes clear, it is God who accomplishes this by His grace.

Psalm 32:11 ESV

Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

As King, God rules His people through His Law, governing even the seas, and purifying us, all of which we celebrate in worshipful song.

"God, the Lord, a King Remaineth"

(Trinity Hymnal #64)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

This passage, known by the Jews as the "shema," is the central confession of Old Testament religion, and reveals several fundamental truths: the path to blessing through obedience to God's law, the oneness of God, and love as the essence of the law.

Deuteronomy 6:1–9 ESV

"Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it,² that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son's son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long.³ Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has

promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

⁴“Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. ⁸You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

We pray now not only for mercy and forgiveness because of our violations of God's law, asking for deliverance from the enemy who accuses us (the Devil), but also for the enlightenment and stability that comes through instruction in that same law.

Responsive Reading, Psalm 143

(Trinity Hymnal pp. 837, 838)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

We see here the centrality of the law in God's plan of salvation: it shows us our condemnation in sin, leads us to the Gospel through the Spirit, and is the goal towards which His grace leads us to give us blessing.

Romans 8:1–4 ^{ESV}

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ²For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We now rejoice in song of how God, through the grace of Christ, has freed us from the condemnation of the law and brought us into His Kingdom, in which we joyfully obey and are blessed by the same law.

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

(Trinity Hymnal #172)

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 will participate in corporate prayer as the worship leader mentions a list of topics. As each item is mentioned, the congregation should respond with, "We offer these our prayers," followed by a brief silent, individual prayer.

WE HEAR INSTRUCTION FROM THE LORD

Sermon

(Mike Biggs)

"Excursus: A Primer on the Mosaic Law"

* Mathew 5:17–20

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.

"Blessed Is the Man"

(Trinity Hymnal #564)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

When we bring offerings to the Lord, we are honoring Him, which makes such especially fitting in the context of formal worship.

Psalm 96:7, 8 ^{ESV}

⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!

⁸ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

"All Creatures of Our God and King"

(Trinity Hymnal #115)

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

Faith is always expressed in obedience to God's law, and we affirm the blessedness of obedience through song as we leave today.

"Trust and Obey"

(Trinity Hymnal #672)

Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

October 10, 2021

"Excursus: A Primer on the Mosaic Law"

Mathew 5:17–20

(Mike Biggs)

Introduction:

How should we understand the relevance of the Mosaic Law for us today?

I. We must *obey* the *totality* of the Mosaic Law.

A. It is to equip us.

B. It is to show us Christ.

II. We must *distinguish* the *applications* of the Mosaic Law.

A. Normative law.

B. Existential law.

C. Situational law.

III. We must *discern* the *adjustments* to the Mosaic Law.

A. Theonomy.

B. Sanctions

— FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: