



CHRIST

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, November 5, 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

As we participate in the call of God to worship Him, we rehearse His greatness, with particular attention to the vastness and depth of His goodness and love for His creatures, and especially for His people who fear and love Him.

Psalm 145 ^{ESV}

Let us worship God!

[leader]

- 1 I will extol you, my God and King,** [congregation]
and bless your name forever and ever.
- 2 Every day I will bless you**
and praise your name forever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,**
and his greatness is unsearchable.to him who spread out the earth
- 4 One generation shall commend your works to another,**
and shall declare your mighty acts.
- 5 On the glorious splendor of your majesty,**
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your awesome deeds,**
and I will declare your greatness.
- 7 They shall pour forth the fame of your abundant goodness**
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness
- 8 The LORD is gracious and merciful,** [women]
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- 9 The LORD is good to all,**
and his mercy is over all that he has made.
- 10 All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,**
and all your saints shall bless you!
- 11 They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom**
and tell of your power;
- 12 to make known to the children of man your mighty deeds,**
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,**
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

- 14 The LORD upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down. [men]
- 15 The eyes of all look to you,
and you give them their food in due season.
- 16 You open your hand;
you satisfy the desire of every living thing.
- 17 The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and kind in all his works.

- 18 The LORD is near to all who call on him,
to all who call on him in truth. [all]
- 19 He fulfills the desire of those who fear him;
he also hears their cry and saves them.
- 20 The LORD preserves all who love him,
but all the wicked he will destroy.
- 21 My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD,
and let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

The realization of God's mercy is the catalyst that causes us to see how inexhaustible is the basis of our motivation to praise Him..

"When All Thy Mercies"

- I. When all Thy mercies, O my God,
My rising soul surveys,
Transported with the view, I'm lost
In wonder, love, and praise
Unnumbered comforts to my soul
Thy tender care bestowed,
Before my infant heart conceived
From Whom those comforts flowed.

Chorus: Through all eternity to Thee
A joyful song I'll raise
For oh, eternity's too short
To utter all Thy praise!

2. When worn with sickness, oft hast Thou
 With health renewed my face
 And when in sins and sorrow sunk
 Renewed my soul with grace
 Ten thousand thousand precious gifts
 My daily thanks employ;
 Nor is the least a cheerful heart
 That tastes those gifts with joy.(Repeat chorus)

3. Through every period of my life
 Thy goodness I'll pursue,
 And after death, in distant worlds,
 The glorious theme renew.(Repeat chorus)

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WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

Our task as God's people is not to condemn or wreak vengeance on the world, but like Jesus, at this time in redemptive history, to be a light to the world.

2 Kings 6:8–23 ^{ESV}

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

In this hymn we not only acknowledge our sin, but also pray for God's grace to give us the humility to remember it.

Jesus, Cast a Look on Me

Jesus cast a look on me,
 Give me sweet simplicity
 Make me poor and keep me low,
 Seeking only Thee to know

Make me like a little child,
 Of my strength & wisdom spoiled
 Seeing only in Thy light,
 Walking only in Thy might

All that feeds my busy pride,
 Cast it evermore aside
 Bid my will to Thine submit,
 Lay me humbly at Thy feet

Leaning on Thy loving breast,
 Where a weary soul can rest
 Feeling well the peace of God,
 Flowing from His precious blood

In this posture let me live,
And hosannas daily give
In this temper let me die,
And hosannas ever cry!

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WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

God promises here not only that He will forgive those who come to Him for grace, but also that He will use them to bring many who are far from Him to know Him as they proclaim His infallible Word.

Isaiah 55 ^{ESV}

* Hymn of Assurance

We celebrate the sweet love and grace of Jesus to sinners in this hymn of praise.

"Majestic Sweetness Sits Enthroned"

(Trinity Hymnal #185)

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)

"The Jesus You Can Know (VIII)—'Jesus and the World'"

* Matthew 9:9–13

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.

"Come Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched"

(Trinity Hymnal #472)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

The offerings we present to heal the world through the Gospel proclamation of the Church result in our blessing, a blessing greater than anything we could receive.

Acts 20:35 ESV

In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

"Savior, Thy Dying Love Thou Gavest Me" (Trinity Hymnal #638)

Presentation of Offerings (See Communion)

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

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We depart today with the prayer that God will grant us mercy to extend to the nations the message of His grace, so that His promise that every knee shall bow come to pass through us.

"O God, to Us Show Mercy" (Trinity Hymnal #437)

Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

November 5, 2023

"The Jesus You Can Know (VIII)—'Jesus and the World'"

(Mike Biggs)

Matthew 9:9–13

Introduction:

What can we learn from Jesus about interaction with the world?

I. Jesus was not hesitant to *assert His authority* over the world, v. 9.

A. Our faithless hesitancy.

B. The amazing result.

II. Jesus was not hesitant to seek *intimacy* with the world, v. 10.

A. Our hesitancy.

B. Jesus' motive.

III. Jesus was not hesitant to *defy the misconceptions* of the world, vv. 11-13.

A. Our hesitancy.

B. The remedy.

— 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...

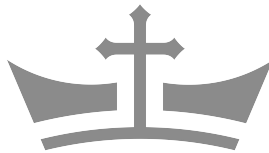
- adding people (incorporation)
- building people (edification)

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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