



# CHRIST

— THE KING —

The Lord's Day, March 25, 2018

“...taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ...”



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## ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*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 gray 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*

Prelude

Call to Worship

*The crowds sang this psalm on Palm Sunday when Jesus rode into Jerusalem as our humble King. As we eagerly anticipate celebrating Jesus' resurrection next Sunday, let the Lord's "steadfast love" in Jesus, "the stone that the builders rejected," move us to heartfelt worship.*

Psalm 118:1, 14-15, 22-29 <sup>ESV</sup>

- 1 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!
- 14 The LORD is my strength and my song;  
he has become my salvation.
- 15 Glad songs of salvation  
are in the tents of the righteous:  
"The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,
- 22 The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone.
- 23 This is the LORD'S doing;  
it is marvelous in our eyes.
- 24 This is the day that the LORD has made;  
let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- 25 Save us, we pray, O LORD!  
O LORD, we pray, give us success!
- 26 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!  
We bless you from the house of the LORD.
- 27 The LORD is God,  
and he has made his light to shine upon us.  
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords,  
up to the horns of the altar!
- 28 You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;  
you are my God; I will extol you.
- 29 Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;  
for his steadfast love endures forever!

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \* Hymn of Praise

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” (Trinity Hymnal #296) vv 1, 3, 5-6

## We Acknowledge Our Sin

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### \* Reading from the Law

*God revealed himself to Israel through signs and wonders, giving them his Name and his Law. We have seen God even more clearly and gloriously in the person of Jesus; to live as if we haven't is to offer the greatest insult to God and his grace.*

#### Hebrews 10:26-31 ESV

<sup>26</sup> For if we go on sinning deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins, <sup>27</sup> but a fearful expectation of judgment, and a fury of fire that will consume the adversaries. <sup>28</sup> Anyone who has set aside the law of Moses dies without mercy on the evidence of two or three witnesses. <sup>29</sup> How much worse punishment, do you think, will be deserved by the one who has trampled underfoot the Son of God, and has profaned the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has outraged the Spirit of grace? <sup>30</sup> For we know him who said, “Vengeance is mine; I will repay.” And again, “The Lord will judge his people.” <sup>31</sup> It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

### Silent Confession of Sin

### Corporate Confession of Sin

*We come before the Lord without pretension: we confess our obvious sins and search our hearts for our less obvious ones. We humble ourselves before him, confident in his mercy.*

“Psalm 130 – From the Depths of Woe”

1. From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation  
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication  
If Thou iniquities dost mark our secret sins and misdeeds dark  
O who shall stand before Thee? *(echo)*  
O who shall stand before Thee? *(echo)*
2. To wash away the crimson stain; grace, grace alone availeth  
Our works, alas! are all in vain. In much the best life faileth  
No man can glory in Thy sight. All must alike confess Thy might  
And live alone by mercy *(echo)*  
And live alone by mercy *(echo)*
3. Therefore my trust is in the Lord and not in mine own merit  
On Him my soul shall rest, His Word upholds my failing spirit  
His promised mercy is my fort,  
My comfort and my sweet support  
I wait for it with patience *(echo)*  
I wait for it with patience *(echo)*
4. What though I wait the live-long night and till the dawn appeareth  
My heart still trusteth in His might I doubteth not nor feareth  
Do thus O ye of Israel's seed ye of the Spirit born indeed  
And wait till God appeareth *(echo)*  
And wait till God appeareth *(echo)*
5. Though great our sins and sore our woes  
His grace much more aboundeth  
His helping love no limit knows. Our utmost need it soundeth  
Our Shepherd good and true is He who will at last His Israel free  
From all their sin and sorrow *(echo)*  
From all their sin and sorrow *(echo)*

## We Rejoice in the ASSurAnce of forgiveNeSS

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### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*King Jesus washes us in his blood and clothes us in his perfect righteousness. Though we struggle hard against sin in this life, we live in confidence that the Lamb, Jesus himself, will cleanse us and bring us home.*

#### Revelation 7:13-17 ESV

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup> I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup> They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

\* Hymn of Assurance

"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" (Trinity Hymnal #521)

## We prAy for eAch Other

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### Prayers of Intercession

(The minister will lead us in prayer, taking requests from individuals.)

Sermon

“When God Shows Up” (Rev. Scott Morris)

\* Exodus 3:1-15 ESV

<sup>1</sup> Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup> And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup> And Moses said, “I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” <sup>4</sup> When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” <sup>5</sup> Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground.” <sup>6</sup> And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God. <sup>7</sup> Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup> and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup> And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup> Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.” <sup>11</sup> But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?” <sup>12</sup> He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.” <sup>13</sup> Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?” <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I am has sent me to you.’” <sup>15</sup> God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The Lord, the God of

your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.' This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

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 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.*

"God Himself Is with Us" (Trinity Hymnal #382)

## We reSpond to the grAce of the Lord

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### Offering Meditation

*As we are increasingly transformed by God's love for us, we love God more and more in all aspects of our lives. If our very bodies are "living sacrifices," how much more do our possessions and everything else exist to give God glory and express our gratitude?*

Romans 12:1 <sup>ESV</sup>

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.

### 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

\* "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder"

1. Let us love and sing and wonder  
Let us praise the Savior's name  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder  
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has brought us nigh to God
2. Let us love the Lord Who bought us  
Pitied us when enemies  
Called us by His grace and taught us  
Gave us ears and gave us eyes  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He presents our souls to God
3. Let us sing though fierce temptation  
Threatens hard to bear us down  
For the Lord, our strong salvation,  
Holds in view the conqu'ror's crown  
He, Who washed us with His blood,  
He, Who washed us with His blood,  
He, Who washed us with His blood,  
Soon will bring us home to God

4. Let us wonder grace and justice  
Join and point to mercy's store  
When through grace in Christ our trust is  
Justice smiles and asks no more  
He Who washed us with His blood  
He Who washed us with His blood  
He Who washed us with His blood  
Has secured our way to God
5. Let us praise and join the chorus  
Of the saints enthroned on high  
Here they trusted Him before us  
Now their praises fill the sky  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood  
Thou art worthy Lamb of God

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## Benediction

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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)

Core Values (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

***How can you be a part of all this?***

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# SERMON NOTES

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March 25, 2018

“When God Shows Up” (Rev. Scott MORRIS)

Exodus 3:1-15

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Introduction:

*As we wander without a sense of place or purpose, how does God meet us?*

I. The Lord's power, vv. 1-6.

II. The Lord's presence, vv. 7-15.



# ~~For Your Personal Devotions~~

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: