



# CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, August 7, 2016

"...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 that the congregation stands during this element of worship.*

Prelude

Call to Worship

*As we are called to worship today we are reminded that all those who seek the Lord are to rejoice. That is because He has promised that “You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart” (Jeremiah 29:13). We are then exhorted to seek the Lord continually. Let us therefore approach our worship with this attitude: that we are seeking nothing but God Himself, and that is enough.*

Psalm 105:1-4 ESV

- 1 Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;  
make known his deeds among the peoples!
- 2 Sing to him, sing praises to him;  
tell of all his wondrous works!
- 3 Glory in his holy name;  
let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!
- 4 Seek the LORD and his strength;  
seek his presence continually!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

\* Hymn of Praise

*One of the ways that we seek God is to pray and ask for His presence. So our opening hymn of praise does just that, repeatedly asking God to “come” and give us what we need to praise Him acceptably.*

“Come, Thou Almighty King” (Trinity Hymnal #101)

\* Reading from the Law

*It is important to note that this passage presents obedience to the commandments of God as the proper response to the electing grace of redemption already given to his people, not (in this context) as a pretext for understanding our need for redemption. This means that it is not sinless perfection that is being commanded here, but a general life of loving, grateful, obedient response to His covenant faithfulness and grace. The heart of it, we should note, is that we take on His character and mirror His righteousness.*

Deuteronomy 10:12-22 ESV

<sup>12</sup>“And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, <sup>13</sup>and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good? <sup>14</sup>Behold, to the LORD your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. <sup>15</sup>Yet the LORD set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. <sup>16</sup>Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. <sup>17</sup>For the LORD your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. <sup>18</sup>He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. <sup>19</sup>Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. <sup>20</sup>You shall fear the LORD your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. <sup>21</sup>He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen. <sup>22</sup>Your fathers went down to Egypt seventy persons, and now the LORD your God has made you as numerous as the stars of heaven.

## Silent Confession of Sin

## Corporate Confession of Sin

*Notice that in this, as in many of our confessions, we pray for God not only to forgive us for our failure to obey His law, but also to give us the grace we need actually to obey and live holy and righteous lives.*

Lord God! Eternal and Almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before Your holy Majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of ourselves to do any good, who, by reason of our depravity, transgress without end Your holy commandments. Therefore, we have drawn upon ourselves, by Your just sentence, condemnation and death. But, Oh Lord! With heartfelt sorrow, we repent and deplore our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true repentance beseeching that Your grace may relieve our distress.

Be pleased to have compassion on us, O most gracious God, Father of all mercies, for the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt and our pollution, grant us the daily increase of the grace of Your Holy Spirit, that acknowledging from our inmost heart our own unrighteousness, we may be touched with sorrow that shall work true repentance, and that Your Spirit, mortifying all sin within us, may produce the fruits of holiness and righteousness well pleasing in Your sight. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*According to John, one of the ways we have assurance of our secure relationship with God, in spite of our sin and the consequent accusation of our hearts, is observing the fruit of our faith: a life of obedience to God's commands, the heart of which is love to our neighbors, especially our brothers and sisters in Christ. This is not salvation by works or legalism, but the evidence and expression of the faith through which we are saved by the grace of Christ. The essence of that salvation is that we not only are forgiven and not guilty, but also are enabled actually to live lives of obedience, putting to death our sin. To be saved is to be saved from sin in all of its effects.*

1 John 3:16-24 ESV

<sup>16</sup> By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. <sup>17</sup> But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? <sup>18</sup> Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

<sup>19</sup> By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; <sup>20</sup> for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup> Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; <sup>22</sup> and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup> And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup> Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

\* Hymn of Assurance

*It is Jesus' work, and Jesus' work alone, which delivers us from our guilt before God. But realizing that is the very thing that, for the first time, enables us to obey God from the heart. We celebrate that great truth now as we sing this insightful hymn.*

"Love Constraining to Obedience"

*CH: To see the Law by Christ fulfilled,  
To hear His pardoning voice,  
Changes a slave into a child  
And duty into choice.*

1. No strength of nature can suffice  
To serve the Lord aright  
And what she has, she misapplies,  
For want of clearer light.
2. How long beneath the Law I lay  
In bondage and distress  
I toiled the precept to obey,  
But toiled without success.
3. Then to abstain from outward sin  
Was more than I could do  
Now if I feel its power within  
I feel I hate it too.
4. Then all my servile works were done,  
A righteousness to raise  
Now, freely chosen in the Son,  
I freely choose His ways.

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We prAy for eAch Other

Prayers of Intercession

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

## We heAr inStruction from the Lord

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### Sermon

“What Is Eternal Life?” (Rev. Mike Biggs)

\* Psalm 15 ESV

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent?  
Who shall dwell on your holy hill?  
<sup>2</sup> He who walks blamelessly and does what is right  
and speaks truth in his heart;  
<sup>3</sup> who does not slander with his tongue  
and does no evil to his neighbor,  
nor takes up a reproach against his friend;  
<sup>4</sup> in whose eyes a vile person is despised,  
but who honors those who fear the LORD;  
who swears to his own hurt and does not change;  
<sup>5</sup> who does not put out his money at interest  
and does not take a bribe against the innocent.  
He who does these things shall never be moved.

## 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.*

### “Be Thou My Vision”

1. Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art  
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.
2. Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;  
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;  
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;  
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.
3. Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:  
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,  
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.
4. High king of heaven, my victory won,  
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!  
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
Still be my vision, O ruler of all.

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### Offering Meditation

*Part of our response of obedience to God's grace is the presentation of our offerings to Him in formal, public worship.*

#### Psalm 116:12-14 ESV

<sup>12</sup> What shall I render to the LORD  
for all his benefits to me?

<sup>13</sup> I will lift up the cup of salvation  
and call on the name of the LORD,

<sup>14</sup> I will pay my vows to the LORD  
in the presence of all his people.

### 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 close our worship today by singing Psalm 15 and adopting its words and attitudes as our own, committing ourselves to lives faithful to our covenant with God.*

\*“Psalm 13”

*CH: Lord who may enter? (Who may enter?)  
Lord who may dwell In Your house? (In Your house, Lord?)  
And on Your mountain (on Your mountain),  
Your holy hill, Who can live? (Who can live, Lord?)*

1. He who is righteous  
He who is just,  
Speaking the truth  
In his heart (*Chorus*)
2. Not he who slanders  
Nor those who harm  
Or bring reproach  
On a friend (*Chorus*)
3. He who despises  
Those who are vile  
But honors those  
Who fear the Lord (*Chorus*)
4. He who will stand by  
True to his word  
He who will not  
Take a bribe (*Chorus*)
5. He who will stand by  
In all of these  
He will be firm  
Til the end (*Chorus*)

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Presentation of Mercy Ministry Offerings  
(during hymn)

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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# COMMUNITY

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## Next Meeting of the Session

Tuesday, September 6, 2016

*The Session (the board of elders governing and shepherding our church) ordinarily holds stated meetings on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, barring any unavoidable conflicts, beginning at 7:30 pm at the Taylor home. Other called meetings as needed are scheduled at various times. Anyone is welcome to attend stated meetings (advance notice of attendance is appreciated). For attendance at called meetings advance request of at least two days is required by emailing the church office at [office@ctknorman.org](mailto:office@ctknorman.org). The minutes of Session meetings are available for review at the church office upon request.*

CE, Men's Bible Study and Small Group will resume Sept 11

Christian Education · 9:00 am

- Pre-K & Kindergarten – Ann Taylor
- 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Olivia Bates
- 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade – Jana Dile
- Junior high – Wayne Lin
- Senior high – Wayne Lin
- adult – Mike Biggs

Sunday Worship Service · 10:30 am - 12:00 pm (times are approximate)

Youth Group · Sundays at 5:00 pm

Contact Wayne Lin for details (405.514.7882)

Men's Bible Study · Wednesday mornings at 6:30 am

Meets at Ozzie's at the airport; contact Mike Biggs for details

Small Groups

Weekly smaller gatherings for study, fellowship, prayer, and ministry in a more intimate setting. See previous page for details.

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# NEWS

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## Quote of the Week

“True happiness is not found in any other reward than that of being united with God. If I seek some other reward besides God Himself, I may get my reward but I cannot be happy.”

—*Thomas Merton*

## Announcements

### · Upcoming Events

August 7	Congregational Meeting
August 7	Scott Morris' Ordination Service 5 p.m.
August 10	Book Study
August 20	Men's Prayer Breakfast
August 28	RUF Sunday/Fellowship Meal
September 11	Start of Fall Semester

- The Taylors will be hosting a book study of “Knowing Jesus through the Old Testament” every other Wednesday this summer from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
- CTK Fellowship Dinner-RUF Sunday, August 28th. We will be featuring a Mexican food theme-please sign up in the foyer to bring your favorite Mexican dish.
- Gentlemen, please join us for another Men's Prayer Breakfast on August 20. It will be at the church building and start at 9:30 a.m.
- Church Volunteers. Looking for an opportunity to serve? Please talk to the following people if you can help:

Building	Tony Sawyer (405.321.7741, <a href="mailto:anthony_sawyer@hotmail.com">anthony_sawyer@hotmail.com</a> )
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