



# CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, January 24, 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*

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## Prelude

### Call to Worship

This psalm highlights several of the themes relevant to today's sermon: the study of God's works, His provision for the remembrance of them, the trustworthiness of the precepts of His Word, and the responsibility of His people to obey them.

## Psalm 111 ESV

- <sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD! [Leader]  
**I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart,** [People]  
**in the company of the upright, in the congregation.**
- <sup>2</sup> Great are the works of the LORD, [Leader]  
studied by all who delight in them.
- <sup>3</sup> Full of splendor and majesty is his work,  
and his righteousness endures forever.
- <sup>4</sup> He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;  
the LORD is gracious and merciful.
- <sup>5</sup> He provides food for those who fear him;  
he remembers his covenant forever.
- <sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works,  
in giving them the inheritance of the nations.
- <sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithful and just;  
all his precepts are trustworthy;
- <sup>8</sup> they are established forever and ever,  
to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.
- <sup>9</sup> He sent redemption to his people;  
he has commanded his covenant forever.  
Holy and awesome is his name!
- <sup>10</sup> **The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom;** [All]  
**all those who practice it have a good understanding.**  
**His praise endures forever!**

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \* Hymn of Praise

*We begin our service today praising God by proclaiming the surpassing blessing and sufficiency of His Word for us His people.*

"How Firm a Foundation"

(Trinity Hymnal #94)

## *WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN*

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### \* Reading from the Law

*The command to Timothy to continue in the Word, irrespective of whether our childhood experience is identical to his, is incumbent upon us as well, who likewise have come to "...salvation through faith in Christ Jesus."*

### **2 Timothy 3:14-17** <sup>ESV</sup>

"But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it <sup>15</sup> and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.""

### Silent Confession of Sin

## Corporate Confession of Sin

*This confession begins by acknowledging guilt and proceeds to proclaim its hope as found uniquely in God's Word.*

### "Laden with Guilt and Full of Fears"

1. How firm a foundation,  
ye saints of the Lord,  
Is laid for your faith  
in His excellent Word!  
What more can He say  
than to you He hath said,  
You, who unto Jesus  
for refuge have fled?
2. In every condition,  
in sickness, in health;  
In poverty's vale,  
or abounding in wealth;  
At home and abroad,  
on the land, on the sea,  
As thy days may demand,  
shall My strength ever be.
3. "Fear not, I am with thee,  
O be not dismayed,  
For I am thy God  
and will still give thee aid;  
I'll strengthen thee,  
help thee, and cause thee to stand  
Upheld by my righteous,  
omnipotent hand."
4. "When through the deep waters  
I call thee to go,  
The rivers of grief  
shall not thee overflow  
For I will be with thee,  
thy troubles to bless,  
And sanctify to thee  
thy deepest distress."
5. "When through fiery trials  
thy pathway shall lie,  
My grace, all sufficient,  
shall be thy supply;  
The flame shall not hurt thee;  
I only design  
Thy dross to consume,  
and thy gold to refine."
6. "The soul that on Jesus  
hath leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not  
desert to his foes;  
That soul, though all hell  
should endeavor to break,  
I'll never, no never,  
no never forsake."

# WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

## Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*This passage begins with the proclamation of Jesus Christ as the preeminent Word of God to mankind, a fact which establishes the preeminence of His work of salvation as the consummation of all of God's work and purpose for His people.*

### Hebrews 1:1-4 <sup>ESV</sup>

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, <sup>2</sup> but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. <sup>3</sup> He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, <sup>4</sup> having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Leader: This is the gospel.

**Congregation: Hallelujah!**

### \* Hymn of Assurance

*As we celebrate the wonder of God's Word, we simultaneously remind each other of the fact that its comfort lies in the fact that it points us to the Word (Christ) in whom is found our salvation.*

**"O Word of God Incarnate"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #140)*

## *WE PRAY FOR EACH OTHER*

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### **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*

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### **Sermon**

#### **"Back to Basics II"**

*(Mike Biggs)*

\* II Peter 1:12-21

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.*

**"My People, Give Ear, Attend to My Word"** (Trinity Hymnal #366)

## *WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD*

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### Offering Meditation

*We give because of the grace of Jesus in giving Himself to and for us.*

### **2 Corinthians 8:7–9** <sup>ESV</sup>

But as you excel in everything in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in all earnestness, and in our love for you see that you excel in this act of grace also.

<sup>8</sup> I say this not as a command, but to prove by the earnestness of others that your love also is genuine. <sup>9</sup> For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

## "Be Thou My Vision"

(verse 2 only)

*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.*

## 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*

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*We depart with a prayer that the mind of God, revealed in His Word, would live in and dominate all that we do, say, and think, that we might thereby experience His most profound blessing.*

## "May the Mind of Christ My Savior"

(Trinity Hymnal #644)

## Benediction

# — SERMON NOTES —

January 24, 2021

“Back to Basics II”

(Mike Biggs)

II Peter 1:12-21

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Introduction:

*Why is consistent interaction with Scripture so essential to the Christian life?*

I. We must commit ourselves to the *revelation* which *informs* our holiness, vv. 12-15.

A. An ongoing commitment.

B. A permanent reminder.

II. Scripture is essential because it is *objective*, vv. 16-18.

A. The centrality of Christ.

B. The revelation of Christ.

III. Scripture is essential because it is *progressive*, v. 19.

A. Progressively revealed.

B. Progressively illuminated.

IV. Scripture is essential because it is *inspired*, vv. 20, 21.

**A.** The interpretation of man.

B. The Word of God.

— **FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION** —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

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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)

**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