



CHRIST

— THE KING —

The Lord's Day, October 20, 2019

“...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.

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*

WE APPROACH THE LORD

Prelude

Call to Worship

This familiar call to worship is built on seven commands; the central command is to “know” that the LORD made us and we belong to him as sheep to a shepherd.

Psalm 100 ^{ESV}

- ¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
² Serve the LORD with gladness!
 Come into his presence with singing!
³ Know that the LORD, he is God!
 It is he who made us, and we are his;
 we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
 and his courts with praise!
 Give thanks to him; bless his name!
⁵ For the LORD is good;
 his steadfast love endures forever,
 and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

In this hymn we celebrate the rule of the risen and ascended Christ.

“Crown Him With Many Crowns” (Trinity Hymnal #295)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

God rules over us as shepherd not only because he has created us but also because he has redeemed us from sin and led us out of bondage. Because of all this, we owe our full and complete allegiance to him.

Exodus 20:1–3 ^{ESV}

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying, ² “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ³ “You shall have no other gods before me.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

Echoing the words of David, we together confess our sins and ask that God would grant us help to walk in holiness, as he has promised.

“God, Be Merciful to Me (Psalm 51)” (Trinity Hymnal #486)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

United to Christ, we are new and free creatures reconciled to God. We therefore go forth as ambassadors, furthering the work of reconciliation among our neighbors and the nations.

2 Corinthians 5:17–18 ^{ESV}

¹⁷ Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. ¹⁸ All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation;

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

“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 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.*

Sermon

“The God Who Keeps Covenant” (Tony Pyles)

* **Genesis 15; Exodus 2:23–25; Luke 23:32–43** ^{ESV}

¹ After these things the word of the Lord came to Abram in a vision: “Fear not, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great.”
² But Abram said, “O Lord God, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?”³ And Abram said, “Behold, you have given me no offspring, and a member of my household will be my heir.”⁴ And behold, the word of the Lord came to him: “This man shall not be your heir; your very own son shall be your heir.”⁵ And he brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then he said to him, “So shall your offspring be.”⁶ And he believed the Lord, and he counted it to him as righteousness.⁷ And he said to him, “I am the Lord who brought you out from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to possess.”⁸ But he said, “O Lord God, how am I to know that I shall possess it?”⁹ He said to him, “Bring me a heifer three years old, a female goat three years old, a ram three years old, a turtledove, and a young pigeon.”¹⁰ And he brought him all these, cut them in half, and laid each half over against the other. But he did not cut the birds in half.¹¹ And when birds of prey came down on the carcasses, Abram drove them away.¹² As the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell on Abram. And behold, dreadful and great darkness fell upon him.¹³ Then the Lord said to Abram, “Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years.¹⁴ But I will bring judgment on the nation that they serve, and afterward they shall come out with great possessions.¹⁵ As for you, you shall go to your fathers in peace; you shall be buried in a good old age.¹⁶ And they shall come back here in the fourth generation, for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet complete.”¹⁷ When the sun had gone down and it was dark, behold, a smoking fire pot and a flaming torch passed between these pieces.
¹⁸ On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram, saying, “To your offspring I give this land, from the river of Egypt to the great river, the river Euphrates,¹⁹ the land of the Kenites, the Kenizzites, the Kadmonites,²⁰ the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Rephaim,²¹ the

Amorites, the Canaanites, the Girgashites and the Jebusites.”²³
During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God.²⁴ And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.²⁵ God saw the people of Israel—and God knew.³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him.³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.³⁴ And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments.³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!”³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!”⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?”⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.”⁴² And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”⁴³ And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

Leader:

This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation:

Thanks be to God!

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Paul here commends to the Corinthian church the example of their Macedonian brothers and sisters, who despite their poverty match their abundance of joy with an abundance of giving to meet the needs of the wider church.

2 Corinthians 8:1–7 ^{ESV}

¹ We want you to know, brothers, about the grace of God that has been given among the churches of Macedonia, ² for in a severe test of affliction, their abundance of joy and their extreme poverty have overflowed in a wealth of generosity on their part. ³ For they gave according to their means, as I can testify, and beyond their means, of their own accord, ⁴ begging us earnestly for the favor of taking part in the relief of the saints— ⁵ and this, not as we expected, but they gave themselves first to the Lord and then by the will of God to us. ⁶ Accordingly, we urged Titus that as he had started, so he should complete among you this act of grace. ⁷ 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.

Presentation of Offerings

“How Great Thou Art” (Trinity Hymnal #44)

* **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

*“To God Be the Glory” (Trinity Hymnal #55)

Benediction