



# CHRIST — THE KING —

The Lord's Day, January 27, 2019

“...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 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

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## Prelude

## Call to Worship

*As we are called to worship today we celebrate that fact that we are God's people, the people on whom He has placed His steadfast, abiding love. We are called together as such to worship Him together and celebrate our mutual blessing together.*

## 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 our hymn of praise we enumerate the various types of beings (including angels) who join our intelligent worship of our worthy Lord.*

“Thee We Adore, Eternal Lord!” (Trinity Hymnal #19)

## We Acknowledge Our Sin

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### \* Reading from the Law

*These verses foreshadow the filling of us, God's Church, with the Holy Spirit, thus imparting to us gifts the purpose of which are to build that of which the Tabernacle was a type: the Church. The Church is given gifts to build the Church! This entails many obligations about which we will say more in today's sermon.*

#### Exodus 31:1-11 ESV

<sup>1</sup> The Lord said to Moses, <sup>2</sup> "See, I have called by name Bezalel the son of Uri, son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah, <sup>3</sup> and I have filled him with the Spirit of God, with ability and intelligence, with knowledge and all craftsmanship, <sup>4</sup> to devise artistic designs, to work in gold, silver, and bronze, <sup>5</sup> in cutting stones for setting, and in carving wood, to work in every craft. <sup>6</sup> And behold, I have appointed with him Oholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan. And I have given to all able men ability, that they may make all that I have commanded you: <sup>7</sup> the tent of meeting, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat that is on it, and all the furnishings of the tent, <sup>8</sup> the table and its utensils, and the pure lampstand with all its utensils, and the altar of incense, <sup>9</sup> and the altar of burnt offering with all its utensils, and the basin and its stand, <sup>10</sup> and the finely worked garments, the holy garments for Aaron the priest and the garments of his sons, for their service as priests, <sup>11</sup> and the anointing oil and the fragrant incense for the Holy Place. According to all that I have commanded you, they shall do."

#### Silent Confession of Sin

#### Corporate Confession of Sin

*This prayer, in confessing the wasting of gifts, is, just as it was last week, particularly appropriate for the sermon passage, and so we make use of it again today.*

Corporate Confession: Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before You our sinful nature—prone to evil and slothful in good—and all our shortcomings and offenses against You. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from Your ways, in wasting Your gifts, in forgetting Your love. O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have displeased You. Teach us to hate our errors, cleanse us from our secret faults, and forgive our sins for the sake of Your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, send Your purifying grace into our hearts, we beseech You, that we may henceforth live in Your light and walk in Your ways, according to the commandments of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## We rejoice in the ASSurAnce of forgiveNeSS

### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*Because God's throne is in the heavens, He accomplishes His will despite our misuse and non-use of our gifts. But He uses us and them nevertheless as His means, and He deals with us in compassion because "He knows that we are dust." In other words, the success of our ministry comes from Him, and He also makes up for our failures due to our sins.*

Psalm 103:6-19 ESV

- 6 The LORD works righteousness  
and justice for all who are oppressed.
- 7 He made known his ways to Moses,  
his acts to the people of Israel.
- 8 The LORD is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
- 9 He will not always chide,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.
- 10 He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.
- 11 For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
- 12 as far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

- 13 As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.
- 14 For he knows our frame;  
he remembers that we are dust.
- 15 As for man, his days are like grass;  
he flourishes like a flower of the field;
- 16 for the wind passes over it, and it is gone,  
and its place knows it no more.
- 17 But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to  
everlasting on those who fear him,  
and his righteousness to children's children,
- 18 to those who keep his covenant  
and remember to do his commandments.
- 19 The LORD has established his throne in the heavens,  
and his kingdom rules over all.

\* Hymn of Assurance

*This hymn of faith in Christ moves from the remission of sin to prayer for grace and strength to be used in service which expresses love to Him, a beautiful expression of the progression which every true believer in Christ experiences.*

“My Faith Looks Up to Thee” (Trinity Hymnal #528)

## We prAy for eAch Other

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### 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

“The Administration of God’s Grace”

(Organized Religion Series—Part III) (Rev. Mike Biggs)

\* I Peter 4:7-11 ESV

<sup>7</sup>The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers. <sup>8</sup>Above all, keep loving one another earnestly, since love covers a multitude of sins. <sup>9</sup>Show hospitality to one another without grumbling. <sup>10</sup>As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace: <sup>11</sup> whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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 Is Known Among His People” (Trinity Hymnal #66)

## We reSpond to the grAce of the Lord

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### Offering Meditation

*God's manifold gifts to us mandate a reciprocal giving to Him of tribute as a part of our corporate worship, as we see the psalmist acknowledging here.*

Psalm 116:12-14 <sup>ESV</sup>

<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 reSpond to the Word

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*This hymn is appropriate today as an expression of the proper response to the truth we have heard today about spiritual gifts and the exercise of ministry through them. Such requires a deep humility, not seeking to draw attention to ourselves through the demonstration of our abilities and strengths, but focusing solely on the One who loved us and gave Himself for us. May all our love and all glory be to Him, forever and ever!*

\* “Jesus, Cast a Look on Me”

1. Jesus cast a look on me,  
Give me sweet simplicity  
Make me poor and keep me low,  
Seeking only Thee to know
2. All that feeds my busy pride,  
Cast it evermore aside  
Bid my will to Thine submit,  
Lay me humbly at Thy feet
3. Make me like a little child,  
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled  
Seeing only in Thy light,  
Walking only in Thy might
4. Leaning on Thy loving breast,  
Where a weary soul can rest  
Feeling well the peace of God,  
Flowing from His precious blood
5. In this posture let me live,  
And hosannas daily give  
In this temper let me die,  
And hosannas ever cry!

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**Benediction**