

CHRIST -THE KING-

The Lord's Day, Sunday, February 4, 2024

"...taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ..."



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

Call to Worship

We are called to seek the Lord as we rejoice in His presence. We do so now as we gather together.

Psalm 105:1-6

- 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!
- ⁵ Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,
- ⁶ O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

As we express our love for Jesus in His beauty, and our desire that He be worshiped and praised, we manifest the relationship of love that we have with Him by His grace.

"When Morning Gilds the Skies"

(Trinity Hymnal #167)

* Reading from the Law

The essence of this command is inextricably tied to the principle behind command #7, which prohibits adultery, as we shall see today.

Exodus 20:1-3 ESV

- "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

It is only union and communion with God, experienced through abiding in Jesus Christ His Son, that can truly satisfy us and make us the beautiful reflections of His glory that He created us to be. We confess our failure to avail ourselves of this fellowship, and ask for His work in us to make us like Christ.

O God, our heavenly Father, the thrice holy One, we confess to you that we have failed to reflect the utterly beautiful splendor of your character, in violation of our created calling. In asserting our autonomy and imagined independence from you, we have adorned ourselves with the ugliness of fear, self-assertion, arrogance, and pride. We have neglected you and others in order to advance, promote, and aggrandize ourselves, thereby displaying the wretchedness of alienation, which is the essence of death. By your grace we recognize and acknowledge our inability to change ourselves or our estate, and thus cast ourselves upon you and the work of our beautiful Savior, Jesus Christ, who loved us and selflessly gave Himself for us and our sins upon the cross. Trusting in His work, we humbly ask that you imbue us with His gentle and quiet spirit, giving us true life, and enabling us to reflect His and your beauty to a watching and needy world, that your beauty might fill the earth, and that you may delight in it and us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

The promise of Jesus is that the persons of the Godhead (including the Holy Spirit, who is not mentioned explicitly in this passage but is elsewhere in this discourse) will come and make their home with (in!) everyone who loves Him.

John 14:22-23 ESV

Judas (not Iscariot) said to him, "Lord, how is it that you will manifest yourself to us, and not to the world?" ²³ Jesus answered him, "If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

Leader: This is the gospel. Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We proclaim a precious truth in the title of this hymn, and the most precious truth of all is that with which every repetition of the refrain affirms: "He is with me $\lceil us \rceil$ to the end!

"Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners"

(Trinity Hymnal #498)

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, and 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

Sermon (Mike Biggs)

"The Jesus You Can Know (XVIII)—'The Passion of Jesus (Part 3)'"
* lohn 17

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord. Congregation: Thanks be to God

WE COMMUNE WITH OUR LORD

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 and encourage wine for those who take part in Communion. For those with conscientious convictions against the use of wine, however, we offer grape juice, which is contained in the inner circle of the communion trays. The cups containing wine are in the outer circles.

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

We give without reservation to God, in part because of His promise that we cannot give more to God than He has given and will give to us who love Him.

Luke 18:28-30 ESV

And Peter said, "See, we have left our homes and followed you."

 29 And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there is no one who has left house or wife or brothers or parents or children, for the sake of the kingdom of God, 30 who will not receive many times more in this time, and in the age to come eternal life."

"My Jesus, I Love Thee"

(Trinity Hymnal #648)

Presentation of Offerings

(See Communion)

* Doxology

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We leave today seeking grace to fulfill our affirmation of determination to follow and love our Lord and Savior.

"O Jesus, I Have Promised"

(Trinity Hymnal #654)

Benediction

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COMMUNITY

Next Meeting of the Session: November 7th, 2023

Meetings are usually, the 2^{nd} Tuesday of the month. See an elder for more information.

The Session (the board of elders governing and shepherding our church) ordinarily holds stated meetings on the third Tuesday of each month, barring unavoidable conflicts, beginning at 7:30 pm at the Taylor home. Other called meetings are scheduled at various times, as needed. Anyone is welcome to attend stated meetings (advance notice 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. The minutes of Session meetings are available for review at the church office upon request.

Christian Education • 9:00 am

All children/youth will have separate classrooms down the hallway.

Nursery-Toddlers through 3 years old - Sara McPherson

4-5 year olds - Rea Wallace & aid

I−2 grades - Taylor St. Denis & aid

3-4 grades - Lydia McPherson & aid

5-6 grades - Ann Taylor

7-12 grades - Scott McPherson

Adults - Mike Biggs; sanctuary

Sunday Worship Service • 10:30 am – 12:00 pm (times are approximate)

Men's Bible Study • Wednesdays 7–8 am @ the Black Bear Diner in Moore.

Small Groups

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023– June 30, 2024

Contributions to date: \$ 146,374.47 Budget to date: \$ 141,313.50

Difference: \$ 5,060.97

Directory



NEWS

Quote of the Week

"No relationship can cure our loneliness but the one we were made for, the one that is more central, more defining, and closer to you than any other relationship you could ever have: your relationship with Christ. Jesus offers you what no other partner could: unwavering and eternal fidelity—no sickness, not even death, will part you.

Our union with Christ is fixed and unalterable. It does not rise and fall with our faith or the quality of our lives, with what we've done or failed to do. Our union with Christ is as certain as Christ's irrevocable love, which does not wax or wane. It is as sure as Christ's grip in our lives and his promise that nothing can snatch us from his hand."

- Rankin Wilbourne

General Announcements

- Sundays 9:00 a.m. Christian Education 10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- February's prior to lent the CE hymn will be Onward Christian Soldiers.
- During Lent (Feb. 14–March 28) the CE hymn: Beneath the Cross of Jesus
- Annual Giving Statements available. Please speak w/ Steve Dile for yours.
- Adult singles game night: Feb. 3rd at 5:30 pm at the Rodriguez home at 12901 SW58th St Mustang OK 73064. Please RSVP at 915 261 5456
- Next Men's Prayer Breakfast will be February 3rd.
- Our next Fellowship Meal will be on February 11th.
- **Did you know CTK has a church directory?** Contact Heather St.Denis to be added and gain access.

Nursery Staff

- Nursery staff this week (4th): Elizabeth Wilson & Gina Wakeman
- Nursery staff next week I Ith): Hali White and Sally McPherson

Women in the Church Announcements

Our February WIC-WAC gathering will be at the National Cowboy & Western Heritage Museum. 1700 Northeast 63rd St., OKC | Friday February 16th | 10am to 1pm | Bring your own lunch & wear western attire if you wish. We have a group reservation, so If we have 15 students (age 6+) ALL our children will be FREE and 2 Free Adult admissions are also covered because of an educational grant. Group Adult admission is \$10.75 Please RSVP:Text Julie Johnson at 580-919-5449 and include ages for your children

VISION

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):

- I. Knowing truth from God (Scripture)
- 2. Being right with God (Justification)
- 3. Living life for God (Sanctification)

Goals (what we seek to accomplish):

- I. 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



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