

# CHRIST -THE KING-



#### 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

## Call to Worship

We are called to rejoice in the Lord as King, because it is not a fool that reigns, but the almighty, all-wise, all-good God of the Bible.

#### Psalm 97 ESV

- The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad!
- <sup>2</sup> Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.
- <sup>3</sup> Fire goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around.
- <sup>4</sup> His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.
- <sup>5</sup> The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth.
- <sup>6</sup>The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.
- <sup>7</sup> All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods!
- 8 Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.
- 9 For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods.
- O you who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the lives of his saints; he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.
- Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.
- <sup>12</sup> Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

\* Hymn of Praise

We celebrate the kingship of Jesus Christ, and worship Him as King of kings.

#### WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

#### \* Reading from the Law

We are commanded to rejoice because of the humble yet comprehensive and invincible reign of Jesus Christ, about whom we shall see in today's sermon this passage speaks.

#### Zechariah 9:9, 10 ESV

9 Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
10 I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the war horse from Jerusalem;
and the battle bow shall be cut off,
and he shall speak peace to the nations;
his rule shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

# Silent Confession of Sin Corporate Confession of Sin

In this hymn we not only confess our "busy pride," but also pray for grace to display the humility appropriate for all who have been made kings through union with and in the image of lesus, the perfect image of God.

#### "Jesus, Cast a Look on Me"

- I. Jesus cast a look on me, Give me sweet simplicity Make me poor & 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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# WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

#### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

All who have been redeemed through the work of Christ in His establishment of the New Covenant have not only been ransomed from death through His blood, but also "seated...with Him in the heavenly realms" (Ephesians 2:6) as kings and priests.

#### Revelation 5:8-10 ESV

And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals,

for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation,

and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Leader: This is the gospel. Congregation: Hallelujah!

#### \* Hymn of Assurance

Jesus's kingly love is the essence of true, loving friendship.

"I've Found a Friend. O Such a Friend"

(see insert)

#### 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 (XXV)— 'King of Kings"

\* Luke 19:28-44

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.

"Give Thanks unto the Lord Jehovah"

(Trinity Hymnal #613)

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

#### Offering Meditation

Part of our acknowledgement of Jesus as King is our gifts of tribute to Him as an act of worship.

#### Matthew 2:1, 2, 10, 11 ESV

Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him."

<sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. <sup>11</sup> And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh.

"Rejoice, All People, Homage Give" Presentation of Offerings

(Trinity Hymnal #73)

(See Communion)

\* Doxology

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

#### We Respond to the Word

We conclude our service today hailing the King, as did those who witnessed His triumphal entry so long ago.

"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

(Trinity Hymnal #311)

Benediction

# —— SERMON NOTES —

March 24, 2024

"The Jesus You Can Know (XXV)—'King of K	(ings'"	
	(Mike	Biggs)

Luke 19:28-44

Introduction:

How does Jesus embody and display the kingship He came to restore?

I. Jesus embodies the thoughtful engagement of the servants of a godly King, vv. 28–36.

A. His authority.

B. His humility.

	abodies the unabashed acceptance of the glorification ly King, vv. 38-40.
Å	A. The content of the glory.
E	3. The propriety of the glory.

III. Jesus embodies the wondrous compagodly King, vv. 41-44.	lexity of the judgment of a
A. His compassi	on.
B. His election.	
C. His justice.	

# — FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:
Memorable Illustrations:
Evaluation:
Questions for Further Study:

#### 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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