



# CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, July 24, 2016

"...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 gray 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.*

### *We Approach the Lord*

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Prelude

Call to Worship

*Our call to worship today is similar in many respects to the psalm which will be the focus of our sermon today. We are told to sing to Him, to bless His name, to tell of His salvation, to declare His*

*glory among the nations, to ascribe to Him the glory due His name, to bring Him offerings, to worship and tremble before Him and to declare that He reigns. Let us do all of these things today as we worship God in the beauty of holiness.*

**Psalm 96** ESV

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song;  
sing to the LORD, all the earth!
- 2 Sing to the LORD, bless his name;  
tell of his salvation from day to day.
- 3 Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvelous works among all the peoples!
- 4 For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;  
he is to be feared above all gods.
- 5 For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.
- 6 Splendor and majesty are before him;  
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- 7 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!
- 8 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts!
- 9 Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;  
tremble before him, all the earth!
- 10 Say among the nations, "The LORD reigns!  
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved;  
he will judge the peoples with equity."
- 11 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;  
let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
- 12 let the field exult, and everything in it!  
Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
- 13 before the LORD, for he comes,  
for he comes to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world in righteousness,  
and the peoples in his faithfulness.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

## Hymn of Praise

*We praise the Creator today, who also provides for us everything good that we have and need in this life. He deserves our praise and thanksgiving! Give it loudly and enthusiastically!*

“Praise to the Lord, the Almighty” (Trinity Hymnal #53)

## We Acknowledge Our Sin

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### Reading from the Law

*God is jealous in the proper sense. He is our covenant husband, and reacts violently when we give the devotion which is rightly His to any other. So our obligation and His command is to be diligent in seeing that we are devoted to Him alone. Anything else is spiritual adultery.*

### Deuteronomy 5:8-10 ESV

<sup>8</sup>“You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>9</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>10</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

### Silent Confession of Sin

### Corporate Confession of Sin

*The making of and bowing down to images of the creation made by our own hands is really just another way of worshiping ourselves and our sovereignty and forgetting the one true God. This is the essence of our sin and of our corporate confession today.*

O Most merciful Father, Who gives life to everything that breathes and Whose eyes are too pure to gaze upon iniquity, we lay before You our sin and uncleanness in utter shame and humiliation. In direct defiance of our continuing debt to live unto You, acknowledge You,

serve You and obey You, we have turned into ourselves and to our own way, pursuing our own ends as if we could create our own meaning, so rendering ourselves liable to Your just wrath and the penalty of death. We despise our ways, but confess that we are utterly powerless to change them or to please You truly to any degree. But we remember that You have declared Yourself to be the gracious and compassionate God, slow to anger and abounding in love and faithfulness. We thus cast ourselves upon Your mercy, believing Your precious promise that those who come to You, You will in no wise cast out. We know and trust that, for the sake of Your dear Son, our Savior, You will not only forgive both our sins and our sin, but also grant us power like unto that by which You raised Him from the dead to walk in newness of life, not for the sake of any merit which we obtain thereby, but solely for the glory of the Name which is above every name, in which we offer this our prayer. Amen.

## We Rejoice in the ASSurAnce of fOrgiveneSS

### Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*Our Creator came in the flesh to redeem human nature and to make us His children. And He did it. Our Creator is also our Redeemer.*

John 1:1-5; 9-14 ESV

<sup>1</sup> In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. <sup>2</sup> He was in the beginning with God. <sup>3</sup> All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. <sup>4</sup> In him was life, and the life was the light of men. <sup>5</sup> The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

<sup>9</sup> Some said, "It is he." Others said, "No, but he is like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." <sup>10</sup> So they said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" <sup>11</sup> He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed and received my sight." <sup>12</sup> They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

<sup>13</sup> They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. <sup>14</sup> Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes.

## Hymn of Assurance

*When we think of who our Savior is, we should wonder why we ever run after idols, as this song of praise and thanksgiving expresses so beautifully.*

### Jesus, the Lord, My Savior

1. Jesus, the Lord, my Savior is,  
My Shepherd, and my God;  
My light, my strength, my joy, my bliss;  
And I His grace record.
  2. Whate'er I need in Jesus dwells,  
And there it dwells for me;  
'Tis Christ my earthen vessel fills  
With treasures rich and free.
- CH: Mercy and truth and righteousness,  
And peace, most richly meet  
In Jesus Christ, the King of grace,  
In Whom I stand complete.*
3. As through the wilderness I roam,  
His mercies I'll proclaim;  
And when I safely reach my home,  
I'll still adore His name.
  4. "Worthy the Lamb," shall be my song,  
"For He for me was slain;"  
And me with all the heavenly throng  
Shall join, and say, "Amen."

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## We prAy for eAch Other

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### Prayers of Intercession

(The minister will lead us in prayer, taking requests from individuals.)

Sermon

“Remembering the One Whom We Worship” (Rev. Mike Biggs)

Psalm 95<sup>ESV</sup>

- 1 Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;  
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;  
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- 3 For the LORD is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.
- 6 Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!
- 7 For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.  
Today, if you hear his voice,
- 8 do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,  
as on the day at Massah in the wilderness,
- 9 when your fathers put me to the test  
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my work.
- 10 For forty years I loathed that generation  
and said, “They are a people who go astray in their heart,  
and they have not known my ways.”
- 11 Therefore I swore in my wrath,  
“They shall not enter my rest.”

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, (*\*or universal*)  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.



## 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.*

"Hast Thou Heard Him, Seen Him, Known Him?"

1. Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him?  
Is not thine a captured heart?  
Chief among ten thousand own Him,  
Joyful choose the better part.  
  
*CH: Captivated by His beauty,  
Worthy tribute haste to bring.  
Let His peerless worth constrain thee,  
Crown Him now unrivaled King.*
2. What can strip the seeming beauty,  
From the idols of the earth?  
Not a sense of right or duty,  
But the sight of peerless worth. *(Chorus)*
3. 'Tis that look that melted Peter,  
'Tis that face that Stephen saw,  
'Tis that heart that wept with Mary,  
Can alone from idols draw. *(Chorus)*

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“I Heard The Voice of Jesus Say”

1. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
Come unto Me and rest;  
Lay down, O weary one lay down,  
Your head upon My breast.  
I came to Jesus as I was,  
So weary, worn and sad;  
I found in Him my resting place,  
And He has made me glad.
2. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
Behold I freely give  
The living water; thirsty one,  
Stoop down and drink, and live.  
I came to Jesus, and I drank  
From that life-giving stream  
My thirst was quenched, my soul revived,  
And now I live in Him.
3. I heard the voice of Jesus say,  
I am this dark world’s light;  
Look unto Me, thy morn shall rise,  
And all thy days be bright.  
I looked to Jesus, and I found  
In Him my star, my sun;  
And in that light of life I’ll walk  
Til pilgrim days are done.

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## We reSpond to the grAce of the Lord

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### Offering Meditation

*It is important to realize that when we present offerings to the Lord in formal, public worship, we are publicly declaring that He is worthy of our tribute, because of His surpassing glory. Let your offering today be your ascription of praise to the Lord of glory, Jesus Christ.*

Psalm 96:8 ESV

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

## 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 close our worship today with a love song to our husband,  
our covenant Lord, Jesus. Make this an expression of your tender  
receptivity to His love and grace to you.*

### “Jesus, Lover of My Soul”

1. Jesus, lover of my soul, Let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, While the tempest still is high.  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'Til life's storm is past;  
Safe into the haven guide; Receive my soul at last.
2. Other refuge have I none, I helpless, hang on Thee;  
Leave, oh leave me not alone, Support and comfort me.  
All my trust on Thee is stayed, All help from Thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head In the shadow of Thy wing.
3. Thou, O Christ, are all I want, Here more than all I find;  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is Thy Name, I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am; Thou art full of truth and grace.
4. Plenteous grace with Thee is found, Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; Make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art, Let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart; For all eternity.

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## Benediction

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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)

Core Values (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

***How can you be a part of all this?***

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# SERMON NOTES

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July 24, 2016

“Remembering the One Whom We Worship” (Rev. Mike Biggs)

Psalm 95

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Introduction:

*How should the nature of God and our covenant with Him affect our worship?*

I. The *greatness of God demands enthusiasm* in worship, vv. 1-5.

A. Biblical worship is loud.

B. Loud worship is justified.

II. The *nearness of God inspires devotion* in worship, vv. 6, 7a.

A. From awe to adoration.

B. From reverence to relationship.

III. The *jealousy* of God commends *receptivity* in worship, vv. 7b-11.

A. Our relational tendency.

B. God's relational response.

— **For Your Personal Devotions** —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study: