

CHRIST THE KING

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 21, 2024 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Prayer (Collect) of Preparation:

*Deliver us when we draw near to You,
from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind:
Grant that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections,
we may worship You in Spirit and in Truth. Amen*

Call to Worship

Matt Sherrill

Leader: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!

Congregation: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat!

Leader: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to the LORD, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.

Congregation: Seek the LORD while he may be found; call upon him while he is near;

Leader: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the LORD, that he may have compassion on him,

Congregation: And to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

– from *Psalm 34:8; Isaiah 55:1-2, 6-7*

Invocation

Preparation

We focus our hearts and minds in preparation to enter into the life-giving presence of God.

Call to Worship

God calls his people to assemble for worship; accordingly the church calls itself together.

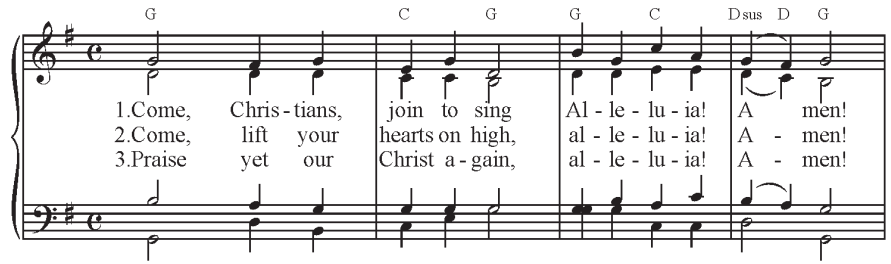
God's people sing not only as an expression of our love for God but also to remind ourselves of our place in God's redemptive work.

The church is marked by its singing, from Israel's deliverance through the Psalms to our worship today.

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

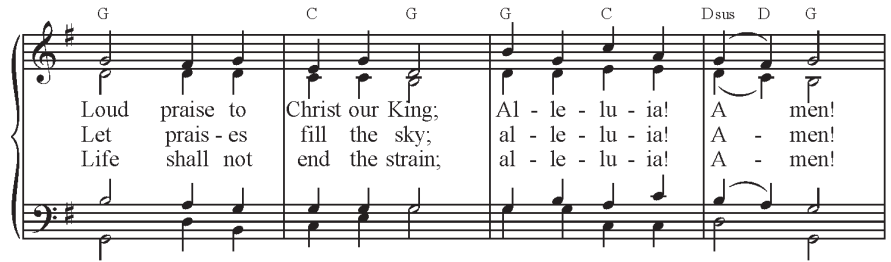
Words: Christian Bateman;
Music: Traditional Spanish melody

G C G G C D^{sus} D G



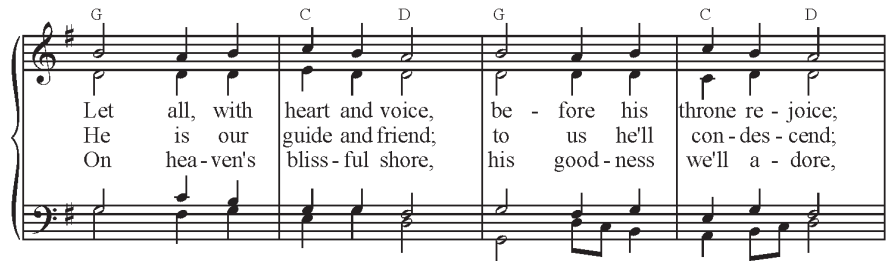
1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
3. Praise yet our Christ a-gain, al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

G C G G C D^{sus} D G



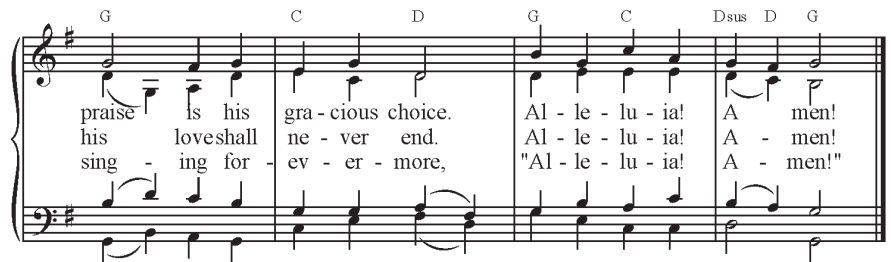
Loud praise to Christ our King; Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Let prais-es fill the sky; al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Life shall not end the strain; al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

G C D G C D



Let all, with heart and voice, be-fore his throne re-joice;
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con-des-cend;
On hea-ven's bliss-ful shore, his good-ness we'll a-dore,

G C D G C D^{sus} D G



praise is his gra-cious choice. Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
his loveshall ne-ver end. Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
sing-ing for-ev-er-more, \"Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!\"

Give Thanks to the Lord

Words and Music: Brad Smith

1. Give thanks to the Lord for the works of his hand, for a
2. Give thanks to the Fa - ther for send - ing his Son, give
king - dom that can - not be sha - ken. Give thanks to the Lord for we
thanks to the Son for his Spi - rit. Now lift up your voic - es to
all now can stand and fear not of be - ing for - sa ken. Give
God, three in one, and shout so the whole world can hear it.
thanks to the Lord for his right - eousness. Give thanks to the Lord for his
love. Let us wor - ship his name and his ho - li ness. Give thanks to the
Lord, Oh, give thanks to the Lord Give thanks.

Chords: D, G, A, G, Bm, Asus, A, D, D/F#, G, A, D, D/F#, G, Asus, A, Bm, G2, Asus, A, C6, Asus, A, D, G

Confession of Faith

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

Congregation: We believe that the Father, when it seemed good to him, created heaven and earth and all other creatures from nothing, by the Word—that is to say, by the Son. God has given all creatures their being, form, and appearance and their various functions for serving their Creator. Even now God also sustains and governs them all, according to his eternal providence and by his infinite power, that they may serve humanity, in order that humanity may serve God.

— *Belgic Confession Article 12*

Confession of Faith

We join the global and historic church in professing what we believe as Christians, to remind ourselves of the hope we have and the life that hope invites us to live.

Confession of Sin

In God's presence, the evil that mars our lives – corporate and individual – comes to light. Through Jesus Christ, we are safe to be honest about ourselves because we fear no condemnation.

Assurance of Grace

God declares through his Church that all who repent and believe in Jesus Christ are completely forgiven from all their sins and their guilty consciences cleansed.

Confession of Sin

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen. – from *the Book of Common Prayer*

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Romans 8, verses 1 through 5:

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

Leader: To those who repent of their sin and look to Jesus Christ for salvation, the forgiveness of sins is fully yours, by the grace of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

Congregation: and our mouths will declare your praise.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

Words and Music: Matt Papa, Aaron Keyes,
James Tealy, and Matt Boswell

(CAPO III) Gm(Em) B \flat (G) E \flat (C) B \flat (G)

1. For what we have done and left un-done we
2. For what you have done, your life of love, you

3 Gm(Em) E \flat (C) F(D) B \flat (G) Gm(Em) B \flat (G)

fall on your count-less mer-cies. For sins that are known, and
per-fect-ly lived, we praise you. Though tempt-ed and tried, you

6 E \flat (C) B \flat (G) Gm(Em) E \flat (C) F(D) B \flat (G) $\text{\textcircled{X}}$

those un known, we call on your name so ho-ly. For
fixed your eyes; you fin-ished the work God gave you. And
For

9 Fsus(Dsus) F(D) Gsus(Esus) Gm(Em)

en-vy and pride, for clo-sing our eyes, for
there on the tree, a King a-mong thieves, you
hearts that are cold, for seiz-ing con-trol; for

11 E \flat (C) B \flat (G) F(D) Fsus(Dsus) F(D)

scorn-ing our ver-y neigh bor. In thought, word and deed we've
bled for a world's be-tray-al. You loved to the end, our
scorn-ing our ver-y Ma-ker. In thought, word and deed we've

14 Gsus(Esus) Gm(Em) E \flat (C) B \flat (G) F(D) B \flat (G)

failed you, our King; how deep-ly we need a Sav-ior.
mer-ci-ful friend, how pure and for-ev-er faith-ful.
failed you, our King; how deep-ly we need a Sav-ior.

17 E \flat (C) F(D) E \flat (C) F(D)

Lord have mer-cy, Christ have mer-cy,

19 B \flat (G) B \flat (G) F(D) E \flat (C) F(D) E \flat (C) F(D)

Lord have mer-cy on us. Lord have mer-cy, Christ have mer-cy,

23 Gm(Em) E \flat (C) Fsus(Dsus) B \flat (G) *Fine* *D.S. al Fine 2nd time*

Lord have mer-cy on us. 2. For
3. For

Offertory

We give back to God our wealth and talents in recognition that they all come from him. These gifts help support the mission and ministries of the church.

Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Prayers of the People

We cry out together for grace and mercy in a time of need.

Prayers of the People

All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

We remind each other of the peace given us in the gospel – peace first between us and God, leading to reconciled relationships with each other.

Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

Life Together

We share important announcements and prayer requests for our church community.

Life Together

Offering Collectors:

Alecia Augspurg, Justin Augspurg, Serena Jones, Andy Stuntz

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 58:1-12

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Travis Drake

Abide With Me

Words: Henry Lyte, Justin Smith;
Music: Justin Smith

1. A - abide with me; fast falls the e - ven
 2. Thou on my head in ear - ly youth didst
 3. I need thy pre - sence eve - ry pass - ing
 4. I fear no foe with thee at hand to
 5. Hold thou thy cross be - fore my clos - ing

3
 tide; The dark - ness deep - ens; Lord, with
 smile; And though re - bel - lious and per -
 hour. What but thy grace can foil the
 bless; Ills have no weight, tears lose their
 eyes; shine through the gloom, and point me

5
 me a - - - abide. When oth - er
 verse mean - - while, Thou hast not
 tempt - er's power? Who, like thy -
 bit - ter - - - ness. Where is thy
 to the skies. Heav'n's morn - ing

7
 help - ers fail and com - forts
 left me, oft as I left
 self, my guide and stay can
 sting, death? Where, grave, thy vic - to -
 breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows

9
 flee, Help of the help - less, a - abide with me.
 thee, On to the close, Lord, a - abide with me.
 be? Through cloud and sun - shine, a - abide with me.
 ry? I tri - umph still, a - abide with me.
 flee; In life, in death, Lord, a - abide with me.

Scripture Reading

The public reading of God's Word is integral whenever God's people gather to worship. The first step to faith is listening to his Word.

Sermon

God has ordained the preaching of his Word to illuminate and apply the good news of Jesus Christ to our hearts that would remain dull and hard apart from the operation of his Holy Spirit

Lord's Supper

God meets us not only in hearing the Word, but also in visible, tangible form – uniting us with himself spiritually by faith in Christ.

Servers come forward as liturgy begins.

We ask that those in the balcony come forward first, followed by those on the main floor, starting in the back row.

Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray and gluten-free wafers are in the center of each bread tray for those who desire such. Please hold the elements until all can partake together.

At the end of the service, please dispose of your cup as you exit the sanctuary.

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Words of Institution

Distributing of Elements

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be unafraid of the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is clear, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer for Those Desiring to Trust in Jesus Christ for the First Time

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed. And I know that through you I am more loved & accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and providing forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord and desire to live a life of loving and serving you. Amen.

Partaking of the Elements

Communion Servers:

Alecia Augspurg, Justin Augspurg, Serena Jones, Andy Stuntz

Take My Life, and Let It Be

Words: Frances R. Havergal;
Music: Henri A. Cesar Malan

1. Take my life, and let it be con - se - crat - ed,
 2. Take my hands, and let them move at the im - pulse
 3. Take my voice, and let me sing, al - ways, on - ly,
 4. Take my sil - ver and my gold; not a mite would
 5. Take my will, and make it thine; it shall be no
 6. Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its

7
 Lord, to thee. Take my mo - ments and my days; let them
 of thy love. Take my feet, and let them be swift and
 for my King. Take my lips, and let them be filled with
 I with - hold. Take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry
 lon - ger mine. Take my heart, it is thine own; it shall
 trea - sure store. Take my self, and I will be ev - er,

14
 flow in cease - less praise, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
 beau - ti - ful for thee, swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
 mes - sag - es from thee, filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
 pow'r as thou shalt choose, ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.
 be thy roy - al throne, it shall be thy roy - al throne.
 on - ly, all for thee, ev - er, on - ly, all for thee.

Benediction

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We depart with this 'good word' of God's calling upon our lives in the world.

*Please dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!
 Please join us in the social hall for refreshments immediately following the service.*