

CHRIST THE KING

SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTER
MAY 5, 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

Greg Russell

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Congregation: **This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice
and be glad in it.**

Leader: Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

Congregation: **Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We
bless you from the house of the Lord.**

Leader: The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

All: **Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love
endures forever!** — *Psalms 118:20-29*

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.

We Come, O Christ, To Thee

Words: E. Margaret Clarkson;
Music: John Darwall

1. We come, O Christ, to thee, true Son of God and
2. Thou art the way to God, thy blood our ran- som
3. Thou art the liv- ing Truth! All wis- dom dwells in
4. Thou on- ly art true Life, to know thee is to
5. We wor- ship thee, Lord Christ, our Sav- ior and our

5. man, by whom all things con- sist, in whom all life be-
6. paid; in thee we face our Judge and Mak- er un- a-
7. thee, thou source of ev' - ry skill, e- ter- nal Ver- i-
8. live the more a- bun- dant life that earth can ne- ver
King. To thee our youth and strength a- dor- ing - ly we

9. gan; in thee a - lone we live and move, and
10. afraid. Be - fore the throne ab - solved we stand, thy
11. ty! Thou great I AM! In thee we rest, true
12. give; O ris - en Lord! We live in thee, and
bring; so fill our hearts, that men may see thy

13. have our be - ing in thy love.
14. love has met thy law's de - - - mand.
15. an - swer to our ev' - ry - - - quest.
16. thou in us e - ter - nal - - - ly.
17. life in us, and turn to thee.

O Jesus Christ, Grow Thou In Me

Words: Johann Lavater;
Music: Kathryn Baldanza



1. O Je - sus Christ, grow thou in me, and all things else re-
2. In thy bright beams which on me fall, fade ev - 'ry e - vil
3. Fill me with glad - ness from a - bove, hold me by strength di-



cede! My heart be dai - ly near - er thee, from sin be dai ly
thought; that I am no - thing, thou art all, I would be dai ly
vine; Lord, let the glow of thy great lovethrough my whole being



freed. Each day let thy sup - por - ting might my
taught. More of thy glo - ry let me see. Thou
shine. Make this poor self grow less and less, be



weak - ness still em - brace; my dark - ness van - ish
ho - ly, wise, and true! I would thy liv - ing
thou my life and aim; O, make me dai - ly



in thy light, thy life my death ef - face.
im - age be, in joy and sor - row too.
through thy grace, more meet to bear thy name.

Confession of Faith

Leader: What do you understand by “the communion of saints”?

Congregation: First, that believers one and all, as members of this community, share in Christ and in all his treasures and gifts. Second, that each member should consider it a duty to use these gifts readily and joyfully for the service and enrichment of the other members.

— *Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 55*

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: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Worship*

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Galatians 2, verses 16 and 19:

We know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified... For through the law we died to the law, so that we might live to God.

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.

The Lord Is My Salvation

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty,
Nathan Nockels, and Jonas Myrin;
based on Psalm 27



1. The grace of God has reached for me,
2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls,
3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord,
4. In times of wait - ing, times of need,

3 G m E^b F

And pulled me from the rag - ing sea.
His strength will help me scale these walls.
He flow'rs each pro - mise of his Word.
When I know loss, when I am weak.

5 E^b/G F/A B^b B^b/D E^b

And I am safe on this sol - id ground: The
I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun: The
When win - ter fades, I know spring will come: The
I know his grace will re - new these days: The

7 C m7 F 1. B^b 2. B^b F E^b B^b/D

Lord is my salva - tion. Who is like the Lord our God?
Lord is my salva - - - - tion.
Lord is my salva - tion.
Lord is my salva - - - - tion.

12 F E^b B^b/D G m F/A B^b B^b/D E^b B^b/D

Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My debt is paid and the vic - tory won: The

16 C m7 F 1. B^b 2. B^b G m E^b

Lord is my salva - tion. tion. 5. And when I reach the fi - nal

20 F G m E^b F

day, He will not leave me in the grave.

23 E^b/G F/A B^b B^b/D E^b C m7 F B^b

But I will rise, Christ will call me home: The Lord is my salva - tion.

27 F E^b B^b/D F E^b B^b/D

Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

31 G m F/A B^b B^b/D E^b B^b/D C m7 F B^b

debt is paid and the victory won; The Lord is my salva - tion. Glory

35 E^b B^b/D F/A G m E^b B^b/D F

be to God, the Fa - ther, Glory be to God, the Son, Glory

39 E^b B^b/D D m G m C m7 F B^b

be to God, the Spi - rit; The Lord is our sal - va - tion.

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.

Testimonial

Ariana Smartt

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:

Katy Carter, James McAllister, Martha Olson, Rick Olson

Scripture Reading

Matthew 25:31-46, page 831 in pew Bible

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Need for Hospitality: Part 1

Rev. Travis Drake

Before the Throne of God Above

Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft;

Music: Vikki Cook



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair and tells me
3. Be - hold him there, the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect,



strong and per - fect plea, a Great High Priest whose name is
of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see him
spot - less high - teous - ness, the great, un - change - ab - le I



Love, who - ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is
there who made an end of all my sin. Be - cause the
AM, the King of Glo - ry and of grace. One with him -



gra - ven on his hands; my name is writ - ten on his
sin - less Sa - vior died, my sin - ful soul is coun - ted
self I can - not die; my soul is pur - chased by his



heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can
free, for God, the just, is sat - is - fied to look on
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.
Sa - vior and my God, with Christ my Sa - vior and my God.

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:

Katy Carter, James McAllister, Martha Olson, Rick Olson

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words: Robert Robinson;
Music: Asahel Nettleton

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The key signature is D major (two sharps) and the time signature is 3/4. Chord symbols (D, A, G) are placed above the piano lines. The lyrics are as follows:

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to

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 grace streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas ing, call for songs of loud - est
 come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safe - ly to ar - rive at
 be; let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to

9
 praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a -
 home. Je - sus sought me when a strang er, wan - d'ring from the fold of
 thee. Prone to wan - der. Lord, I feel it proneto leave the God I

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 bove; praise the mount! I'm fixed up on it, mount of God's un chang - ing love.
 God; he, to res - cue me from danger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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.*