



CHRIST

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, February 16, 2025

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



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— 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 assemble in our minds all the reasons for us to be thankful to God, and declare our intention to worship and glorify the One who holds our lives in His hands and will fulfill His purpose for us!

Psalm 138 ESV

Leader: "Let us worship God!"

Congregation:

- ¹ I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;
before the gods I sing your praise;
- ² I bow down toward your holy temple
and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your
faithfulness,
for you have exalted above all things
your name and your word.
- ³ On the day I called, you answered me;
my strength of soul you increased.
- ⁴ All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord,
for they have heard the words of your mouth,
- ⁵ and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord,
for great is the glory of the Lord.
- ⁶ For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly,
but the haughty he knows from afar.
- ⁷ Though I walk in the midst of trouble,
you preserve my life;
you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies,
and your right hand delivers me.

ALL:

- ⁸ The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;
your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands.

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

The God who was with our fathers in the faith throughout the ages, loving, providing for, and chastening them, is the same God whom we praise now for His abundant provision and protective presence, and for the fact that He is our eternal home.

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

(Trinity Hymnal #310)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

This chapter dramatically portrays the true perspective, God's perspective, on the faithless and ungrateful response of His people to His goodness. It should (and must!) make clear our obligation to repent and to respond to Him with increasing love and obedience hereafter.

Ezekiel 16

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

This psalm is predominantly a prayer for grace to avoid the deceptiveness and temptations of sin. But it is also an implicit confession, for it assumes that we are so subject to straying that we must earnestly seek God to protect and preserve us from the folly of such temptations and the result of being seduced by them.

Responsive reading, Psalm 141

(Trinity Hymnal p. 836-837)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Although the path to the accomplishment of God's purpose to save the world might seem to us circuitous and painfully slow, His assurance that this is the end toward which He is moving all things comforts us and gives us hope, both for ourselves as individuals and for His world.

John 3:16, 17 ^{ESV}

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

The sin which the Bible so clearly reveals and does not try to excuse, rationalize, or cover up, is the sin the awareness of which produces the attitude expressed in this hymn: we can boast in nothing else but the grace of God in Jesus Christ.

"Awake, My Soul"

*I. The image of God invisible
The firstborn of all life
Before and within,
He holds it all in
One name, one faith, one Christ*

*Chorus: No one is good enough
To save himself
Awake my soul tonight
To boast nothing else*

*2. I trust no other source or name
Nowhere else can I hide
This grace gives me fear,
and this grace draws me near
And all that it asks it provides (Repeat chorus)*

*Bridge: No seam in this garment
All my rags to hide
No less than your love
For Jesus is mine*

*3. When I stand on the edges of Jordan
With the saints and the angels beside
When my body is healed
and the glory revealed
Then still I can boast only Christ (Repeat chorus twice)*

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)

"Models of Dominion XII — 'Understanding the Incomparable Love of God'"

* I Kings 11

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.

"The Tender Love a Father Has"

(Trinity Hymnal #93)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Because God has so wonderfully and profoundly loved us, we have an opportunity to express our love to Him in the presentation to Him of our tithes and offerings.

I John 4:19 ^{ESV}

"We love because he first loved us."

"Loved with Everlasting Love"

(Trinity Hymnal #703)

Presentation of Offerings

* Doxology

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

As we leave today, we look forward in hope to the day when we shall be completely free, when we behold the streets of glory, when we shall have peace forevermore, when we have come to that land of peace and glory.

"Beams of Heaven"

1. Beams of heaven as I go,
through the wilderness below,
guide my feet in peaceful ways,
turn my midnights into days.
When in the darkness I would grope,
faith always sees a star of hope,
and soon from all life's grief and danger
I shall be free someday.
I shall be free someday.

2. Often times my sky is clear,
joy abounds without a tear;
though a day so bright begun,
clouds may hide tomorrow's sun.
There'll be a day that's always bright,
a day that never yields tonight,
and in its light the streets of glory
I shall behold someday.
I shall behold someday.

3. Harder yet may be the fight;
right may often yield to might;
wickedness a while may reign;
Satan's cause may seem to gain.
But there's a God that rules above
with hand of power and heart of love;
and if I'm right, he'll fight my battle,
I shall have peace someday.
I shall have peace someday.

4. Burdens now may crush me down,
disappointments all around;
troubles speak in mournful sigh,
sorrow through a tear-stained eye.
There is a world where pleasure reigns,
no mourning soul shall roam its plains,
and to that land of peace and glory
I shall want to go someday.
I shall want to go someday.
I shall want to go someday.

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Benediction

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COMMUNITY

Next Meeting of the Session:

Meetings are usually, the 2nd Tuesday of the month but the schedule often varies over the summer. See an elder for more information or consult the church calendar.

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. 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 upon request.

Christian Education • 9:00 am

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

Nursery– 0–3 years old - Sara McPherson & Michaela White

4–5 year olds/Kindergarten. - “God Leads His People” Rea Wallace & Jaclyn Beaty

1–3 grades - “Obeying God” - Lydia McPherson & Rachaelyn St. Denis

4–6 grades - “Genesis” - Ann Taylor

7–12 grades - Bible Study - Scott McPherson

Adults - Hermeneutics continued - 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, 2024– June 30, 2025	
Contributions to date:	\$ 162,175.94
Budget to date:	\$ 148,039.04
Difference:	\$ 14,136.90

Church Directory:



NEWS

Quote of the Week

"Jealousy is simply the character of any love that is worth its salt when that love has an exclusive claim."

– Dale Ralph Davis

General Announcements

- **Sundays 9:00 a.m. Christian Education**
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- **The next hymn sing, hosted by the Landons, will be on February 16th at 5PM.** The Landons will provide a main course and you are asked to bring a side or dessert.

Women's Ministry Announcements

- We will be concluding our book, "Virtuous, a Study for Ladies of Every Age" (Chapters 14 & 15) by Nancy Wilson, on Thursday February 27th 6:30 pm to 8:30PM - At Rea Wallace's home.
- Our WIC-WAC gathering will be Friday February 21st from 10AM to 1PM – Location to be announced

Nursery Ministry Schedule:

Today.....Mandy & Moriah White

2/23.....Jennifer & Megan Johnson

3/2.....Jinger & Esther Latham

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):

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



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