



# CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, February 9, 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

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## Call to Worship

We celebrate the goodness of God's abundant blessing, and anticipate that blessing in gratitude in this call to worship the God who blesses His people.

### Psalm 144 ESV

- <sup>1</sup> Blessed be the Lord, my rock,  
who trains my hands for war,  
and my fingers for battle;*
- <sup>2</sup> he is my steadfast love and my fortress,  
my stronghold and my deliverer,  
my shield and he in whom I take refuge,  
who subdues peoples under me.*
- <sup>3</sup> O Lord, what is man that you regard him,  
or the son of man that you think of him?*
- <sup>4</sup> Man is like a breath;  
his days are like a passing shadow.*
- <sup>5</sup> Bow your heavens, O Lord, and come down!  
Touch the mountains so that they smoke!*
- <sup>6</sup> Flash forth the lightning and scatter them;  
send out your arrows and rout them!*
- <sup>7</sup> Stretch out your hand from on high;  
rescue me and deliver me from the many waters,  
from the hand of foreigners,*
- <sup>8</sup> whose mouths speak lies  
and whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood.*
- <sup>9</sup> I will sing a new song to you, O God; [congregation]  
upon a ten-stringed harp I will play to you,*
- <sup>10</sup> who gives victory to kings,  
who rescues David his servant from the cruel sword.*
- <sup>11</sup> Rescue me and deliver me  
from the hand of foreigners,  
whose mouths speak lies  
and whose right hand is a right hand of falsehood.*
- <sup>12</sup> May our sons in their youth  
be like plants full grown,  
our daughters like corner pillars  
cut for the structure of a palace;*
- <sup>13</sup> may our granaries be full,*

*providing all kinds of produce;  
may our sheep bring forth thousands  
and ten thousands in our fields;  
14 may our cattle be heavy with young,  
suffering no mishap or failure in bearing;  
may there be no cry of distress in our streets!*

**15 Blessed are the people to whom such blessings fall!  
Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord!"**

[ALL]

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### \* Hymn of Praise

*Once again we praise the God who so abundantly and graciously provides all that we need and satisfies us with good things.*

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

(Trinity Hymnal #53)

## *WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN*

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### \* Reading from the Law

*This proverb implicitly directs us to look past what in many situations seems to us to be true in order to follow fastidiously the way that God has outlined in His Word for us to follow.*

### Proverbs 16:25

*"There is a way that seems right to a man,  
but its end is the way to death."*

### Silent Confession of Sin

### Corporate Confession of Sin

*We seek God's grace and declare our intention to follow the way of His commands, even as we confess the arrogance and scorn which we seek to avoid by His grace, for not obeying His decrees completely.*

Psalm 119:1–24

(Trinity Hymnal p. 829)

# WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

## Assurance of Pardoning Grace

*The ability and the understanding that results in receiving Jesus is not a matter of our intelligence or goodness, but is the work of God and His will.*

### John 1:9–13 <sup>ESV</sup>

The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. <sup>10</sup> He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. <sup>11</sup> He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. <sup>12</sup> But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

### \* Hymn of Assurance

*We express wonder and praise at the gracious gift of the knowledge of Himself that God has given His elect, and pray that that grace would be extended to more and more people throughout the world, thus filling the earth with the acknowledgment of God's glory.*

"How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place" (Trinity Hymnal #469)

### 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*

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Sermon

(Mike Biggs)

**"Models of Dominion XII — 'All That Glitters'"**

\* I Kings 10:1–11:8

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God

# *WE COMMUNE WITH OUR LORD*

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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.*

**"Be Thou My Vision"**

(Trinity Hymnal #642)

# *WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD*

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## Offering Meditation

*In our giving today we exemplify that which the prophets tell us will one day become a universal reality; that the treasures of all the nations shall come into God's Temple as tribute and recognition of His lordship.*

### **Haggai 2:6–9** ESV

"For thus says the Lord of hosts: Yet once more, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land.<sup>7</sup> And I will shake all nations, so that the treasures of all nations shall come in, and I will fill this house with glory, says the Lord of hosts.<sup>8</sup> The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, declares the Lord of hosts.<sup>9</sup> The latter glory of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts. And in this place I will give peace, declares the Lord of hosts."

### **"Shout, for the Blessed Jesus Reigns"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #369 w. 1,3)*

### **Presentation of Offerings**

#### **\* Doxology**

*(Trinity Hymnal #731)*

### **Prayer of Dedication**

# *WE RESPOND TO THE WORD*

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*There is a day when we will not have to worry about drifting in our sin and the sinful desires of our hearts. We sing trusting in the promise that we shall inherit the promised land as conquerors and rulers of God's kingdom. For that land, we are bound!*

### **"Jerusalem the Golden"**

*(Trinity Hymnal #539)*

### **Benediction**

# — SERMON NOTES —

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"Models of Dominion XII — 'All That Glitters'"

(Mike Biggs)

1 Kings 10:1–11:8

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Introduction:

*How should God's people understand and respond to Kingdom blessings?*

I. Kingdom blessings are a *gift* which must be *celebrated*..

A. The hesitance piety presents.

B. The opportunity abundance presents.

II. Kingdom blessings are a *privilege* which must not be *abused*.

A. The latent danger of the blessing.

B. The insidious marks of the danger.

III. Kingdom blessings are a *responsibility* which must be *fulfilled*.

A. Blessing comes with accountability.

B. Judgment comes with irresponsibility.

# — FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

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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)

**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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