



CHRIST

- THE KING -

The Lord's Day, Sunday, August 24, 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

Those who are called to dwell in unity are the same as those who, in the immediately following psalm, "stand by night in the house of the Lord," and are called to bless the Lord. That is, they dwell in the Temple. How so? In the Old Testament, this was restricted to the priests and Levites, who alone had access to the sanctuary. Now, this includes all believers, who have been vitally united to and indwelt by God through the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 96:7–9 ESV

- 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!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We worship the thrice-holy God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who is set apart from sin and "wholly other," holy in these two distinct senses, which makes Him worthy of our worship, and inspires us to worship Him by becoming like Him.

"Holy, Holy, Holy"

(Trinity Hymnal # 100)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

Becoming like God is how we become near to Him, how we seek Him, and how we experience His nearness to us. This is commanded because God loves us and desires to be near us and us to Him.

Leviticus 20:7 ESV

"Consecrate yourselves, therefore, and be holy, for I am the Lord your God."

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

We confess our sin to the Lover of Our Souls, and seek His help to draw neareer to Him through holiness.

"My Faith Looks Up to Thee"

(Trinity Hymnal #528)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

We are children of God by His grace and are being made like Him. What could be better than that!

I John 2:28–3:2 ESV

"And now, little children, abide in him, so that when he appears we may have confidence and not shrink from him in shame at his coming.²⁹ If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that everyone who practices righteousness has been born of him.

³¹ See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.² Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is."

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We celebrate and request more of the love of God that transforms us and will eventually make that transformation complete.

"Love Divine, All Loves Excelling"

(Trinity Hymnal #529)

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)

God's Beautiful Bride (Ephesians) IX: "Putting Off and Putting On"

* Ephesians 4:17-5:1

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.

"O Come, Thou Quickening Spirit"

(Trinity Hymnal #331)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

This verse was part of our call to worship today, indicating, as we saw last week, that part of the worship that God commands is to present offerings in "His courts," that is, the place of gathered, corporate worship.

Psalm 96:8 ^{ESV}

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

"To God Be the Glory"

(Trinity Hymnal #55)

Presentation of Offerings

* Doxology

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

As we leave today, we use this adaptation of Psalm 23 to rejoice in our faithful Shepherd, who leads us in the paths of righteousness for His name's sake.

"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

(Trinity Hymnal #184)

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 • Paused for the summer

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

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, 2025– June 30, 2026

Contributions to date:	\$ 31,857.00
Budget to date:	\$ 33,589.99
Difference:	\$ (1,732.99)

Church Directory:



Looking for an opportunity to serve? Contact a ministry leaders listed on the Contacts Page.

NEWS

Quote of the Week

"Godliness is more easily feigned in words than in actions."

– Jonathan Edwards

General Announcements

- **Sundays 9:00 a.m. Christian Education** (–resumes Sept 7th)
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
- **Next Fellowship Meal Sept 21st**
- We will have the **Annual Congregational Meeting** on Sept. 14th.
- Our **Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be Sept. 6th at the Taylor's.

Women's Ministry Announcements

- **What is WIC-WAC?** (WIC) Women in the Church + (WAC) Women & Children
Women and children of all ages gathering together in a casual setting (parks and homes) for fellowship.
- Locations: TBA.
- Gatherings are scheduled for Fridays:
 - September 12th, October 10th, November 21st
- Please consider how you might serve at CTK by volunteering for one of these areas of need.
 - Name tag / greeter
 - Coffee/ Drink Table
 - Care meals
 - Fellowship meal set up or clean up
 - Text or call to keep members informed of church events
 - Sign up in the foyer or text Julie Johnson 580-919- 5449.

Nursery Ministry Schedule

Today.....Abby & Sally McPherson

8/31Lizzie McPherson & ?

— SERMON NOTES —

August 24, 2025

God's Beautiful Bride (Ephesians) IX: "Putting Off and Putting On" (Mike Biggs)

Ephesians 4:17–5:1

Introduction:

What should the Church's growth look like?

I. Our growth must *make us different*, 4:17–21.

A. In the way we think.

B. In the way we live.

II. Our growth must *conform us to our new identity*, 4:20–24.

A. Orientation to death.

B. Adjustment to resurrection.

C. Commitment to renewal.

III. Our growth must *make us godly*,

4:25–5:1.

A. The big picture.

B. The everyday details.

— FOR YOUR PERSONAL DEVOTION —

Points of Application:

Memorable Illustrations:

Evaluation:

Questions for Further Study:

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)

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



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