



CHRIST

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The Lord's Day, Sunday, June 14, 2026

"...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 praise and bless the Lord today, because, among other things, unlike us He is constantly faithful to His Covenant.

Psalm 89 ESV

Leader: "Let us worship the Lord!"

Congregation: [v. 1, 2]

Leader: [v. 3-52]

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We celebrate God's goodness in worship, reminding ourselves of the motivation we have to be faithful to Him.

"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty"

(Trinity Hymnal #53)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

The First and Second Commandments go together, and speak profoundly to the theme of our service today. The Second Commandment provides a rationale which explains the intensity of His response to violations of it: the fact that we are God's Bride, united to Him by covenant, thus capable of provoking Him to justified jealousy.

Deuteronomy 5:7-10 ESV

⁷ "You shall have no other gods before me.

⁸ "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. ⁹ You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ¹⁰ but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

We remember God's covenant love and faithfulness to His people, and appeal to this grace for forgiveness and guidance to be faithful ourselves.

Responsive reading, Psalm 25

(Trinity Hymnal p. 792)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

We are here reminded once again of that most precious of "trustworthy sayings," without which we would have no hope.

2 Timothy 2:11-13 ^{ESV}

¹¹ "The saying is trustworthy, for:

If we have died with him, we will also live with him;

¹² *if we endure, we will also reign with him;*

if we deny him, he also will deny us;

¹³ *if we are faithless, he remains faithful—*

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

We express our hope in the fact that grace is always available to those who will call upon the name of the Lord (Romans 10:13).

“Come, Ye Sinners”

(RUF Tune)

1. Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you,
Full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, He is able;
He is willing; doubt no more.

2. Come ye needy, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.
Without money, without money
Come to Jesus Christ and buy.

3. Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous;
Sinners Jesus came to call.

4. Let not conscience make you linger,
Nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness He requires
Is to feel your need of Him.
This He gives you, this He gives you,
'Tis the Spirit's rising beam.

5. Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended;
Pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus
Can do helpless sinners good.

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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, Sermon XXVII:
“Descent into Darkness”**

* 2 Kings 21

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.

“Jesus, with Thy Church Abide”

(Trinity Hymnal #348)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Our continued devotion to God, including our giving, is motivated by the constant awareness of what He gave for us.

Galatians 2:20 ESV

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

“I Belong to Jesus”

(Trinity Hymnal #129)

Presentation of Offerings

*** Doxology**

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We indeed are “prone to wander,” therefore, as we leave today, we present our hearts to God afresh, asking Him to seal them for His eternal grace.

“Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”

(Trinity Hymnal #457)

Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

June 14, 2026

Models of Dominion, Sermon XXVII:
“Descent into Darkness”

2 Kings 21

(Mike Biggs)

Introduction:

What must God’s people soberly understand about covenant apostasy?

I. Covenant apostasy is the most *intense* sin, v. 9.

A. The reason.

B. The effects.

C. The hope.

II. Covenant apostasy is the most *wicked* sin, vv. 1-9.

A. Its nature.

B. Its heinousness.

III. Covenant apostasy is the most *consequential* sin, vv. 10-26.

A. The greatest judgment.

B. The greatest extent.

— 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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