



CHRIST

— THE KING —

The Lord's Day, Sunday, July 26, 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

In this call several things are mentioned that are important elements of the theme of our service today: the transcendent sovereignty of God, his identification with and exaltation of the humble, and his investiture of them as kings and those who produce godly seed.

Psalm 113 ESV

¹ Praise the Lord!
Praise, O servants of the Lord,
praise the name of the Lord!

² Blessed be the name of the Lord
from this time forth and forevermore!

³ From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the Lord is to be praised!

⁴ The Lord is high above all nations,
and his glory above the heavens!

⁵ Who is like the Lord our God,
who is seated on high,
⁶ who looks far down
on the heavens and the earth?

⁷ He raises the poor from the dust
and lifts the needy from the ash heap,
⁸ to make them sit with princes,
with the princes of his people.

¹⁹ He gives the barren woman a home,
making her the joyous mother of children.
Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We respond to God's call to worship Him, and the vision of God that it presented, with expression of the desire to have enough voices adequately to express the adoration and praise of our hearts.

“O That I Had a Thousand Voices”

(Trinity Hymnal #22)

WE INITIATE A NEW COVENANT MEMBER THROUGH BAPTISM

Instruction on Baptism

Admonition to Parents

Parental Vows

Baptism of Duncan Boniface St. Denis

Prayer for Family and Congregation

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

We are to reflect God's character, because He has given us stewardship over His creation that we might manage it in a way that embodies His rule.

Leviticus 20:22-26 ^{ESV}

²² You shall therefore keep all my statutes and all my rules and do them, that the land where I am bringing you to live may not vomit you out. ²³ And you shall not walk in the customs of the nation that I am driving out before you, for they did all these things, and therefore I detested them. ²⁴ But I have said to you, 'You shall inherit their land, and I will give it to you to possess, a land flowing with milk and honey.' I am the Lord your God, who has separated you from the peoples. ²⁵ You shall therefore separate the clean beast from the unclean, and the unclean bird from the clean. You shall not make yourselves detestable by beast or by bird or by anything with which the ground crawls, which I have set apart for you to hold unclean. ²⁶ You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine..

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

We express our need for God to come and save us from the curses which attend our sin, and to deliver us from His and our enemies, which is the action of a King.

Responsive reading, Psalm 69:1-18

(Trinity Hymnal p. 809)

WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Our King has triumphed over the demonic forces who stood against us in accusation, by nailing our debt to the cross

Colossians 2:13-15 ESV

¹³ And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, ¹⁴ by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵ He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

*** Hymn of Assurance**

Acknowledging His sovereignty, we humbly appeal to the King of the Nations for mercy, remembering His past grace to us and to His people who came before us.

“Great King of Nations, Hear Our Prayer” (Trinity Hymnal #713)

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)

Kingdom Musings, I:

“The Kingdom Significance of the ‘Son of God’”

* Luke 1:26-56

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.

“Hail to the Lord's Anointed”

(Trinity Hymnal #311)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Just as in the heavenly worship, the Church “casts its crowns before the throne” of God, acknowledging that their rule is only the embodiment of His: bestowed and empowered by Him. Our offerings, given in worship, are in part an acknowledgment of this fact.

Revelation 4:9-11 ESV

⁹ And whenever the living creatures give glory and honor and thanks to him who is seated on the throne, who lives forever and ever, ¹⁰ the twenty-four elders fall down before him who is seated on the throne and worship him who lives forever and ever. They cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

¹¹ “Worthy are you, our Lord and God,
to receive glory and honor and power,
for you created all things,
and by your will they existed and were created.”

“All Hail the Power of Jesus”

(Trinity Hymnal #296)

Presentation of Offerings

*** Doxology**

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

As we leave today we sing and pray concerning the warfare of the Son of God, whose actions we are to emulate and embody as sons of God who are united to Him by faith.

“The Son of God Goes Forth to War”

(Trinity Hymnal #578)

Benediction

SERMON NOTES

July 26, 2026

Kingdom Musings, I:

“The Kingdom Significance of the ‘Son of God’”

Luke 1:26-56

(Mike Biggs)

Introduction:

How does God’s promise to Mary illustrate the full meaning of “Son of God?”

I. The Son of God is a *divine* figure.

A. Divine origin.

B. Divine nature.

II. The Son of God is a *sovereign* figure.

A. Son of David.

B. Son of Abraham.

III. The Son of God is a *humble* figure.

A. Assuming humility.

B. Exalting humility.

— 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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