



CHRIST

— THE KING —

The Lord's Day, Sunday, October 11, 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 to worship we celebrate that it is God alone who has the right to impose penalties for sin, and that He will do it in His good time, while rewarding the righteous.

Psalm 75 ESV

Leader:

Let us worship God!

Congregation:

**¹ We give thanks to you, O God;
we give thanks, for your name is near.
We recount your wondrous deeds.**

Leader:

² *"At the set time that I appoint
I will judge with equity.
³ When the earth totters, and all its inhabitants,
it is I who keep steady its pillars. Selah
⁴ I say to the boastful, 'Do not boast,'
and to the wicked, 'Do not lift up your horn;
⁵ do not lift up your horn on high,
or speak with haughty neck."
⁶ For not from the east or from the west
and not from the wilderness comes lifting up,
⁷ but it is God who executes judgment,
putting down one and lifting up another.
⁸ For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup
with foaming wine, well mixed,
and he pours out from it,
and all the wicked of the earth
shall drain it down to the dregs.*

Congregation:

**⁹ But I will declare it forever;
I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.**

Leader:

¹⁰ *All the horns of the wicked I will cut off,
but the horns of the righteous shall be lifted up.
Praise the Lord!*

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

* Hymn of Praise

We praise God in celebration of His righteous judgments, and His unfailing commitment to those who truly seek Him, pursuing righteousness.

“O Lord Most High, with All My Heart” (Trinity Hymnal #48)

WE ACKNOWLEDGE OUR SIN

* Reading from the Law

Is salvation by works? No, but works have consequences in the economy of God's Covenant with His people.

Deuteronomy 28:1, 2, 13-15 ^{ESV}

¹ “And if you faithfully obey the voice of the Lord your God, being careful to do all his commandments that I command you today, the Lord your God will set you high above all the nations of the earth. ² And all these blessings shall come upon you and overtake you, if you obey the voice of the Lord your God.

¹³ And the Lord will make you the head and not the tail, and you shall only go up and not down, if you obey the commandments of the Lord your God, which I command you today, being careful to do them, ¹⁴ and if you do not turn aside from any of the words that I command you today, to the right hand or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

¹⁵ “But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you.

Silent Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

We sing this hymn again this week, not as our hymn of mission, but as our confession and expression of repentance, because we know that, although we are God's people, sin still affects us profoundly, often in subtle and deceptive ways, as the hymn acknowledges.

By Thy Mercy

(RUF Tune)

1. Jesus, Lord of life and glory,
Bend from heaven thy gracious ear;
While our waiting souls adore thee,
Friend of helpless sinners, hear:

2. From the depth of nature's blindness,
From the hardening power of sin,
From all malice and unkindness,
From the pride that lurks within,

Refrain: By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord
By thy mercy, O deliver us, good Lord, good Lord.

3. When temptation sorely presses,
In the day of Satan's power,
In our times of deep distresses,
In each dark and trying hour.

4. When the world around is smiling,
In the time of wealth and ease,
Earthly joys our hearts beguiling,
In the day of health and peace. Refrain

5. In the weary hours of sickness,
In the times of grief and pain,
When we feel our mortal weakness,
When all human help is vain.

6. In the solemn hour of dying,
In the awful judgment day,
May our souls, on thee relying,
Find thee still our Rock and Stay. Refrain

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WE REJOICE IN THE ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

If we belong to Christ as our Mediator, we are no longer under the condemnation of the Covenant of Works headed by Adam, but under the Covenant of Grace, so that our standing with God is not determined by our imperfect righteousness, but instead by that of our representative, Jesus.

Galatians 5:16-18 ^{ESV}

¹⁶ But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh.

¹⁷ For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Leader: This is the gospel.

Congregation: Hallelujah!

* Hymn of Assurance

True, biblical assurance of salvation is rooted in Christ alone, but our relationship to Him is one that cannot but help to express itself in works of righteousness, which produce the joy of our salvation (Psalm 51:12).

“Blessed Assurance”

(Trinity Hymnal #693)

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)

The Power of the Gospel: Romans III:

“The Folly of Sanctimonious Licentiousness”

* Romans 2:1-11

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.

“I Need Thee Every Hour”

(Trinity Hymnal #674)

WE RESPOND TO THE GRACE OF THE LORD

Offering Meditation

Love is the fulfillment of the Law (Romans 13:10), but why does anyone truly love? It is “because God’s love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us” (Romans 5:5). It is this love, a gift, that prompts us to give back to Him in worship with our tithes and offerings.

I John 4:19 ^{ESV}

We love because he first loved us.

“Savior, Thy Dying Love Thou Gravest Me”

(Trinity Hymnal #638)

Presentation of Offerings

*** Doxology**

(Trinity Hymnal #731)

Prayer of Dedication

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

We close our worship with an admonition to ourselves and to each other to pursue the righteousness which blesses us and overcome the sin that curses us, through the power and provision of God.

“Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray”

(Trinity Hymnal #567)

Benediction

— SERMON NOTES —

October 11, 2026

The Power of the Gospel: Romans III: “The Folly of Sanctimonious Licentiousness”

Romans 2:1-11

(Mike Biggs)

Introduction:

Why is it so important to understand the grace of God?

- I. Understanding the grace of God eliminates presumptuous judgment, vv. 1-3.

A. The correct understanding of “judgment.”

B. The proper focus of judgment.

II. Understanding the grace of God prevents presumptuous license, vv. 4, 5.

A. The proper effect of God's grace.

B. The inevitable effect of its abuse.

III. Understanding the grace of God disgraces presumptuous confidence, vv. 6-11.

A. A biblical perspective on righteousness.

B. The essential importance of works.

— 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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