

CHRIST THE KING

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
APRIL 7, 2024 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Prayer (Collect) of Preparation:

*Deliver us when we draw near to You,
from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind:
Grant that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections,
we may worship You in Spirit and in Truth. Amen*

Call to Worship

Rev. Travis Drake

Leader: O God, you are our God, earnestly we seek you;

Congregation: Our souls thirst for you, our flesh faints for you,

All: In a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Leader: We have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and your glory.

Congregation: Because your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise you.

Leader: We will bless you as long as we live, and in your name we will lift up our hands.

All: Our souls will be satisfied as with fat and rich food; and our mouths will praise you with joyful lips. — *Psalm 63:1-5*

Invocation

Preparation

We focus our hearts and minds in preparation to enter into the life-giving presence of God.

Call to Worship

God calls his people to assemble for worship; accordingly the church calls itself together.

God's people sing not only as an expression of our love for God but also to remind ourselves of our place in God's redemptive work.

The church is marked by its singing, from Israel's deliverance through the Psalms to our worship today.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Words: Reginald Heber;
Music: John B. Dykes

D Bm A D G D

1. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

5 A D A Bm A A E A-A7

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glas - sy sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

9 D Bm A D G D Bm Bm/A

Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three
 Cheru - bim and ser - aphim fal - ling down be - fore thee, who wert and
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee, per - fect in
 Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three

14 G D Em A D

per - sons, bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!
 art and ev - er - more shall be.
 pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 per - sons bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!

Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed

Words and Music: Keith Getty,
Kristyn Getty, and Ed Cash

A D E A

1.How can it be? The one who died has
 2.For joy a - wakes as dawn - ing light when
 3.Where doubt and dark - ness once had been, they
 4.Once bound by fear, now bold in faith, they
 5.The pow'r that raised him from the grave now

D A/C# E D A/C#

borne our sin through sac - ri - fice, to con - quer ev - 'ry
 Christ's dis - ci - ples lift their eyes; a - live he stands their
 saw him and their hearts be - lieved; but blessed are those who
 preached the truth and pow'r of grace; and pour - ing out their
 works in us to pow'r - fly save; he frees our hearts to

E F#m B m7 A/C# D-E 1,3.

sting of death; Sing, sing hal - le - lu - jah!
 Friend and King; Christ, Christ, he is ris - -
 have not seen, yet sing hal - le - lu - jah.
 lives they gained life, life ev - er last - -
 live his grace; Go tell of his good - -

2,4. E Esus E

Christ is ris - en, he is ris - en in deed!
 - - - en.
 - - - ing.
 - - - ness.

D/A A E F#m D

Oh, sing hal - le - lu - jah. Join the cho - rus, sing with the re de - emed.

B m7 A/C# D Esus A Last time to Coda

Christ is ris - en, he is ris - en in - deed.

A/C# D Esus

He's a - live, he's a live! Heav - en's gates are

D A/C# D Esus

o - pened wide! He's a live, he's a live! Now in heav - en

D/F# Esus D/F#

glo - ri - fied! He's a - live, Now in heav - en glo - ri - fied!

Confession of Faith

We join the global and historic church in professing what we believe as Christians, to remind ourselves of the hope we have and the life that hope invites us to live.

Confession of Sin

In God's presence, the evil that mars our lives – corporate and individual – comes to light. Through Jesus Christ, we are safe to be honest about ourselves because we fear no condemnation.

Assurance of Grace

God declares through his Church that all who repent and believe in Jesus Christ are completely forgiven from all their sins and their guilty consciences cleansed.

Confession of Faith

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.
– *Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1*

Confession of Sin

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Worship*

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Colossians 1, verses 13 and 19 through 20:

God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins... For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Leader: To those who repent of their sin and look to Jesus Christ for salvation, the forgiveness of sins is fully yours, by the grace of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

Congregation: and our mouths will declare your praise.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

Words and Music: Graham Kendrick
and Keith and Kristyn Getty

1. My worth is not in what I own; not
2. My worth is not in skill or name; in
3. As sum - mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame,
4. I will not boast in wealth or might, or
5. Two won - ders here that I con - fess: my

3 in the strength of flesh and bone. But in the cost - ly wounds of
win or lose, in pride or shame. But in the blood of Christ that
youth and beau - ty hur - ry by. But life e - ter - nal calls to
hu - man wis - dom's fleet - ing light. But I will boast in know - ing
worth and my un - worth - i - ness. My va - lue fixed - my ran - som

6 love at the cross. 2. My
flowed at the cross. cross.
us at the cross. 4. I
Christ at the cross. cross.
paid at the cross.

11 I re joice in my Re - deem - er - Great est trea - sure, Well spring of my soul.

15 I will trust in him, no oth - er; my soul is sa - tis - fied in him a - lone.

Offertory

We give back to God our wealth and talents in recognition that they all come from him. These gifts help support the mission and ministries of the church.

Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Prayers of the People

We cry out together for grace and mercy in a time of need.

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All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

We remind each other of the peace given us in the gospel – peace first between us and God, leading to reconciled relationships with each other.

Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

Life Together

We share important announcements and prayer requests for our church community.

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Offering Collectors:

Morgan Crago, Serena Jones, Joseph Melkonian, Susanne van Veluw

Scripture Reading

1 Peter 3:14-16, page 1015 in pew Bible

Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

A Hope That Can Face Anything

Rev. Matt Miller

Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

Words: Augustus M. Toplady;
Music: Thomas Hastings

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de-
 3. Noth-ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I
 4. While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in

thee; let the wa - ter and the blood from thy
 mands; could my zeal no res - pite know, could my
 cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress; help-less,
 death, when I soar to worlds u - known, see thee

riv - en side which flowed, be of sin the dou - ble
 tears for - ev - er flow, all for sin could not a -
 look to thee for grace; foul, I to the Foun-tain
 on thy judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges, cleft for

cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
 tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.
 fly; wash me, Sa - vior, or I die.
 me, let me hide my - self in thee.

Scripture Reading

The public reading of God's Word is integral whenever God's people gather to worship. The first step to faith is listening to his Word.

Sermon

God has ordained the preaching of his Word to illuminate and apply the good news of Jesus Christ to our hearts that would remain dull and hard apart from the operation of his Holy Spirit

Lord's Supper

God meets us not only in hearing the Word, but also in visible, tangible form – uniting us with himself spiritually by faith in Christ.

Servers come forward as liturgy begins.

We ask that those in the balcony come forward first, followed by those on the main floor, starting in the back row.

Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray and gluten-free wafers are in the center of each bread tray for those who desire such. Please hold the elements until all can partake together.

At the end of the service, please dispose of your cup as you exit the sanctuary.

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Words of Institution

Distributing of Elements

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be unafraid of the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is clear, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer for Those Desiring to Trust in Jesus Christ for the First Time

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed. And I know that through you I am more loved & accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and providing forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord and desire to live a life of loving and serving you. Amen.

Partaking of the Elements

Firm Foundation

Words and Music: Cody Carnes,
Austin Davis, Chandler Moore

Christ is my firm foun - da - tion, the rock on which I
stand. When ev - ry thing a - round me is sha - ken, I've nev - er been so
glad that I put my faith in Je - sus, 'cause he's nev - er let me
down. He's faith ful through gen - er - a - tions, so why would he fail

The musical score is written in G major (one flat) and 6/8 time. It consists of four staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: Eb sus, Eb, Cm7, Bb, Eb sus, Eb, Cm7, Bb, Ab, Eb/G, Cm7, Bb, Ab, Eb/G, Cm7.

Communion Servers:

Morgan Crago, Serena Jones, Joseph Melkonian, Susanne van Veluw

16 B^b E^b E^b_{sus}
 now? He won't. I've still got

21 E^b_{sus} E^b $Cm7$ B^b $A^b E^b/G Fm E^b$
 joy in chaos. I've got peace that makes no sense. So, I won't be go-ing under.

26 $Cm7$ B^b A^b/C
 I'm not held by my own strength, 'cause I've built my life on Je - sus.

30 E^b/G $Cm7$ $B^b/D E^b$ B^b A^b E^b/G
 He's nev-er let me down. He's faith ful in ev-ry season, so

35 $Cm7$ B^b E^b
 why would he fail now? He won't.

39 E^b_{sus} A^b B^b
 Rain came, wind blew,

43 E^b/G Cm B^b A^b B^b E^b/G
 my house was built on you. I'm safe with you. I'm gonna make it

48 Cm B^b A^b B^b
 through. I'm gon - na make it through, 'cause

51 A^b Cm B^b A^b B^b
 I'm stand ing strong on you. I'm gon na make it through, 'cause

55 A^b Cm B^b
 my house is built on you. Christ is my

Benediction

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We depart with this 'good word' of God's calling upon our lives in the world.

*Please dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!
 Please join us in the social hall for refreshments immediately following the service.*