



CHRIST THE KING
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 18, 2022
Fourth Sunday in Advent



“Finally, The Good Shepherd”

Lord's Day Worship

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 29

Rev. Dave Lindberg

Leader: *Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.*

People: ***The voice of the LORD is over the waters;
the God of glory thunders,
The voice of the LORD is powerful;
the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.
The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.
He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf,
and Sirion like a young wild ox.
The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.
The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth
and strips the forests bare,
and in his temple all cry, "Glory!"
The LORD sits enthroned over the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.
May the LORD give strength to his people!
May the LORD bless his people with peace!***

*SONG

HARK! THE HERALD ANGELS SING

1

Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"
Peace on earth and mercy mild,
God and sinners reconciled.
Joyful, all ye nations rise,
Join the triumph of the skies.
With angelic host proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem."
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

2

Christ by highest heav'n adored,
Christ the everlasting Lord.
Late in time behold Him come,
Offspring of the virgin's womb.
Veiled in flesh the Godhead see,
Hail the incarnate deity.
Pleased as man with man to dwell,
Jesus, our Emmanuel.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

3

Hail the heav'n-born Prince of Peace!
Hail the Son of Righteousness!
Light and life to all He brings,
Ris'n with healing in His wings.
Mild He lays His glory by,
Born that man no more may die.
Born to raise the sons of earth,
Born to give them second birth.
Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION (CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Christians, what do you believe?

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before

all ages, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the

Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

*That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

*SONG

WHILE SHEPHERDS WATCHED

Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Christ is born

While shepherds watched their flocks by night,
All seated on the ground
The angel of the Lord came down,
And glory shone around

"Fear not!" said he; for mighty dread
Had seized their troubled minds.
"Glad tidings of great joy I bring
To you and all mankind."

Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Christ is born

To you in David's house this day
Is born of David's line
The Savior who is Christ the Lord
And this shall be the sign:

The heavenly babe you there shall find
To human view displayed
All meanly wrapped in swaddling bands
And in a manger laid."

Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Christ is born
Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Christ is born

"All glory be to God on high!
And to the earth be peace
Good will henceforth from God to man
Begin and never cease"

Hallelujah, Hallelujah
Hallelujah, Christ is born

GOD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

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.

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SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

Leader: In Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

SONG

(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)

O COME, O COME EMMANUEL

The CTK Choir

PASTORAL PRAYER

Elder Greg Gorman

GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

*SERMON TEXT

John 10:1-18

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

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GOD FEEDS US AT HIS TABLE

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

- ❖ *CTK welcomes all baptized believers who are communing members of gospel-believing churches to participate in the Supper.*
- ❖ *Come forward to receive the elements.*
- ❖ *Gluten-free and nut-free bread is in a small box on the plate.*
- ❖ *If you are not partaking, you may either remain in your seat or come forward and pass by the elements, whichever makes you most comfortable.*
- ❖ *If you are unable to come forward, an Elder will serve you the elements at your seat.*
- ❖ *Once you have been served, please take the elements back to your seat. We will eat and drink together once everyone has been served.*

1

How long? Will you turn your face away?
 How long? Do you hear us when we pray?
 On and on, still we walk this pilgrim way - How long?

2

How long 'til your children find their rest?
 How long 'til you draw them to your breast?
 We go on holding to your promises - How long?

Chorus

'Til you wipe away the tears from ev'ry eye
 'Til we see our home descending from the sky
 Do we wait in vain?
 Jesus, give us hope again!

3

How long 'til your word will still the storm?
 How long 'til you bare your mighty arm?
 How we groan 'til you snatch us from the thorns - How long?

(chorus)

4

How long? Sweet the dawn that ends the race.
 How long? Weak our hearts but strong our legs.
 Looking on - great that cloud of witnesses! How long?

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*SONG

FROM THE SQUALOR OF A BORROWED STABLE

1

From the squalor of a borrowed stable,
 by the Spirit and a virgin's faith;
 to the anguish and the shame of scandal
 came the Savior of the human race!
 But the skies were filled with the praise of heav'n,
 Shepherds listen as the angels tell of the gift of God
 come down to man at the dawning of Immanuel.

2

King of heaven now the friend of sinners,
 humble servant in the Father's hands,
 filled with power and the Holy Spirit,
 filled with mercy for the broken man.
 Yes, he walked my road and he felt my pain,
 joys and sorrows that I know so well;
 yet his righteous steps give me hope again –
 I will follow my Immanuel!

3
Through the kisses of a friend's betrayal,
he was lifted on a cruel cross;
he was punished for the world's transgressions;
he was suffering to save the lost.
He fights for breath, he fights for me.
Loosing sinners from the claims of hell;
and with a shout our souls are free –
death defeated by Immanuel!

4
Now he's standing in the place of honor,
crowned with glory on the highest throne,
interceding for his own beloved,
till his Father calls to bring them home!
Then the skies will part as the trumpet sounds.
Hope of heaven or the fear of hell;
but the Bride will run to her lover's arms,
giving glory to Immanuel!

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GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

Romans 15:13

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

*DOXOLOGY/DISSMISSAL

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON NOTES
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John 10:1-18

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Deacon Nominations Open

The session has opened nominations for Deacon until, **January 8**. Please see the nomination forms that are available at the welcome desk and are included in this week's churchwide email. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask one of the pastors or elders.

Adult Sunday School

Hugh Comer is leading a new Adult Sunday School series, *Meeting Jesus in the Psalms*, during the 9:30 hour.

Lessons and Carols on Christmas Eve

There will be a candlelight service of Lessons and Carols on **December 24** at 5 pm. All children are welcome in the service. No childcare will be provided.

Christmas Day and New Year's Day

There will be worship services on Christmas Day and New Year's Day at 10:30 am. There will be no nursery or Sunday school on those days.

Office Open House January 8, 2023

Come and celebrate the opening of the CTK office on Sunday, **January 8, from 3 to 5 pm** with cake and finger foods. The office is located at 313 North 9th St, Midlothian.

Year-End Contributions

If you would like to make a year-end contribution to the ministry of Christ the King, please ensure your contribution is received by the church or post-marked by **December 31**.

Set Up Team for December:

Tony Sok (unlocking)
Calvin Pitts

Ushers for December 25:

Tony Sok
Ian Sok