



CHRIST THE KING

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Lord's Day Worship
Advent 2023
December 24, 2023

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

*CALL TO WORSHIP

John 1:1-5, 9-12
Rev. Dave Lindberg

Leader: *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.*

People: ***He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made.***

Leader: *In him was life, and the life was the light of men.*

People: ***The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.***

Leader: *The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him.*

People: ***But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.***

*Please stand if you are able

*SONG

O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL

1
O come, all ye faithful,
joyful and triumphant,
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem!
Come, and behold Him,
born the King of angels!

Chorus
O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him;
O come, let us adore Him,
Christ, the Lord!

2
God of God, Light of Light,
lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb;
very God, begotten not created.
(chorus)

3
Sing, choirs of angels; sing in exultation;
sing, all ye citizens of heav'n above!
Glory to God, all glory in the highest;
(chorus)

4
Yea, Lord, we greet Thee,
born this happy morning;
Jesus, to Thee be all glory giv'n!
Word of the Father,
now in flesh appearing!
(chorus)

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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Christians, what do you believe?

I believe that my only comfort in life and in death is:

**That I am not my own,
but that I belong, body and soul,
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.**

**He has fully paid for all my sins
with his precious blood,
and has set me free
from the tyranny of the devil.**

**He also watches over me in such a way
that without the will of my Heavenly Father
not a hair can fall from my head;
in fact, all things must work together
for my salvation.**

**Therefore, because I belong to him,
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,
assures me of eternal life
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready,
from now on,
to live for him. Amen.**

*SONG

COME YE SINNERS

1

Come ye sinners, poor and needy,
weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus, ready stands to save you,
full of pity, love, and pow'r.

3

Let not conscience make you linger,
nor of fitness fondly dream.
All the fitness He requireth
is to feel your need of Him.

2

Come, ye thirsty, come and welcome,
God's free bounty, glorify!
True belief and true repentance,
ev'ry grace that brings you nigh.

4

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall.
If you tarry till you're better,
You will never come at all.
(chorus)

Chorus

I will rise and go to Jesus,
He'll embrace me in His arms.
In the arms of my dear Savior,
O there are ten thousand charms.

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GOD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

PSALM 51:1-4

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin! For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners.

Leader: In Christ you are forgiven.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

SONG

GOD OF EVERY GRACE

(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)

1

O let not this world of sorrows steal my only hope away
For the power of Your gospel shines within this jar of clay
In affliction You bring wisdom that my comforts can displace
How my true and greatest treasure is in You the God of grace

Chorus

Now to the God of ev'ry grace Who counts my tears, Who holds my days
I sing through sorrow, sing with faith, oh praise the God of ev'ry grace

2

Weary with the weight I carry, give me wings of faith to rise
For You know each grief that lingers through the watches of the night
Surely You have borne our sufferings, at the cross took up our pain
And You lead us unto glory as we trust You, God of grace
(chorus)

3

There's a dawning hope before us that I know is soon to break
As I wait upon Your mercy which will swallow ev'ry ache
Cries of joy and songs of vict'ry when we enter Heaven's gates
All Your children home together, all with You, the God of grace
(chorus x2)

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WELCOMING NEW MEMBERS

Mike and Lynette Bond, Sam and Doris Stinchcomb

*OLD TESTAMENT READING

Leviticus 19:1-18
Mandie Heineman

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

PASTORAL 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.

GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

*SCRIPTURE READING

1 Thessalonians 3:11-4:12; 5:12-28

Leader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

SERMON

“Walk This Way”

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.*

SONG DURING COMMUNION

O LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM (instrumental)

*SONG

GO TELL IT ON THE MOUNTAIN

Chorus

Go tell it on the mountain,
over the hills, and ev'rywhere;
go, tell it on the mountain
that Jesus Christ is born.

1

While shepherds kept their watching
o'er silent flocks by night,
behold, throughout the heavens
there shone a holy light.
(chorus)

Down in a lowly manger
the humble Christ was born,
and God sent us salvation
that blessed Christmas morn.
(chorus)

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GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.

*DOXOLOGY/DISMISSAL

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

“Walk This Way”

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DECEMBER SCHEDULE AND EVENTS

- **Please join us this evening at 5 pm for a candlelight Lessons and Carols service.**
- No 9:30 am Sunday School or Evening Youth Group in December.
- No Nursery during Sunday School or Worship in December.

CTK Budget Update Year-to-Date November 2023
General Fund Contributions and Expenses
Budget \$367,000
Contributions \$327,000
Expenses (\$366,000)

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