

Lord's Day Worship

December 29, 2024

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

*CALL TO WORSHIP Psalm 24
Rev. Dave Lindberg

The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof,

the world and those who dwell therein,

People: for he has founded it upon the seas

Leader:

and established it upon the rivers.

Leader: Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?

And who shall stand in his holy place?

People: He who has clean hands and a pure heart,

who does not lift up his soul to what is false

and does not swear deceitfully.

He will receive blessing from the LORD

and righteousness from the God of his salvation

Leader: Such is the generation of those who seek him,

who seek the face of the God of Jacob.

People: People: Lift up your heads, O gates!

And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Leader: Who is this King of glory?

People: The LORD, strong and mighty,

the LORD, mighty in battle!

Leader: *Lift up your heads, O gates!*

And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

People: Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

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 th'angelic hosts proclaim,
"Christ is born in Bethlehem"
Hark! The herald angels sing,
"Glory to the newborn King!"

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 th'incarnate Deity. Pleased as man with men to dwell, Jesus, our Emmanuel. Hark! The herald angels sing, "Glory to the newborn King!"

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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*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

People of God, what do you believe?

Apostles' Creed

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. We 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 to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to 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. We 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.

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

*Song

COME UNTO JESUS

1

Come unto Jesus all you who are weary Come to the mercy seat fervently kneel Here bring your wounded hearts broken and needy Come unto Jesus mighty to heal 2

Joy of the comfortless Light for the straying Hope of the penitent Peace in our strife Here speaks the Comforter tenderly saying My yoke is easy my burden is light

Chorus

Come unto Jesus, Come unto Jesus Lay down your burdens. He is enough Come unto Jesus, rest in His love 3

Come taste the Bread of Life
broken for sinners
Drink from the cup of His promise
made sure
Feast at His table as sons and as daughters
Grace overflowing is yours evermore
(chorus)

Come now and follow Him
this life forsaking
All that was gain count as nothing but loss
Trade all this world for His
kingdom unfading
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross
(chorus x2)

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GOD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; Who pardons all that truly repent and believe in the name of Jesus; We humbly confess our sins and seek your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we love our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved mercy, or walked humbly with you our God.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Have mercy on us, O Lord, according to your steadfast love; According to your grace offered in the gospel, forgive us our sin and cause us to walk in your ways in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

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

Song

(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)

1

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King!
Let every heart prepare Him room,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n and nature sing,
and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

2

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns! Let men their songs employ, while fields and floods, rocks, hills, and plains

JOY TO THE WORLD

repeat the sounding joy, repeat the sounding joy, repeat, repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow, nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow far as the curse is found, far as the curse is found, far as, far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace, and makes the nations prove the glories of His righteousness

and wonders of His love, and wonders of His love, and wonders, wonders of His love.

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*SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 19 Karla Pollock

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

- ² Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.
- ³ There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.
- 4 Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them he has set a tent for the sun.
- ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.
- 6 Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.

The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;

8 the precepts of the LORD are right, rejoicing the heart; the commandment of the LORD is no

the commandment of the LORD is pure, enlightening the eyes;

9 the fear of the LORD is clean, enduring forever; the miles[d] of the LORD are two

the rules [d] of the LORD are true, and righteous altogether.

Nore to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold;

sweeter also than honey and drippings of the honeycomb.

¹¹ Moreover, by them is your servant warned; in keeping them there is great reward.

¹² Who can discern his errors? Declare me innocent from hidden faults.

¹³ Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins; let them not have dominion over me! Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression. Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

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

*SERMON TEXT John 1:1-18

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was in the beginning with God. ³ All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. ⁴ In him was life, and the life was the light of men. ⁵ The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

- ⁶ There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. ⁷ He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. ⁸ He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light.
- ⁹ The true light, which gives light to everyone, was coming into the world. ¹⁰ He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. ¹¹ He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. ¹² But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, ¹³ who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.
- ¹⁴ And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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

SERMON Rev. Dave Lindberg

"The Word Became Flesh"

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.
- ❖ Gluten-free and nut-free bread is in a small box on the plate.

SONG DURING COMMUNION

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.

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

(chorus)

2

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

*Blessing Numbers 6:24-26

The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the LORD lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*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 "The Word Became Flesh" John 1:1-18

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Group, January 5

Youth Group, grades 6-12, meets on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of every month, from 5 to 7 pm. We will meet on January 5 at the home of the Thompsons, 645 Summer Grove Rd, Midlothian, TX 76065.

Come Pray Together

Corporate Prayer every first, third and fifth Wednesday.

We will meet to pray from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the church office, 313 N. 9th St., Midlothian 76065:

January 15

January 29

February 5

Women's Bible Study

The "Spring" Women's Bible study will Start January 16, meeting Thursday evenings 6:30 – 8:00 pm in Cedar Hill. We will be studying Acts. Watch for more information in the coming weeks. Questions? Contact Penny Embry (214-868-2641) or Karla Pollock (972-979-8599).

Year-end Giving

In order for your gifts to Christ the King to be considered tax-deductible for 2024, your check must be dated no later than December 31, 2024 and must be postmarked no later than December 31, 2024.

Online gifts (via ACH electronic check or credit card) must be made by 11:59 pm Central Time on December 31, 2024. To give online, visit www.ctktexas.com/giving.

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