

TRINITY FELLOWSHIP CHURCH (PCA)

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Worship for the Lord's Day

Christ the King Sunday

November 22nd, 2020 • 10:45 A.M.

Trinity Fellowship Church exists to glorify God by equipping a community of believers to worship God and be witnesses of Him in Central Arkansas and to the ends of the earth.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful.”

– Revelation 17:14

News of war in foreign lands appears on our television screens every night. Online, we are informed of the latest political scandal and the opposition’s jockeying to take advantage of it. In the newspapers, the headlines warn of impending economic doom or the spread of some deadly disease. Our fallen world can be a scary place, and there seems to be no end to the bad news headed our way.

Such problems make us long for a wise king, do they not? They make us hope for one who can address the root causes of these issues, defeat our enemies, and protect us from every danger. The Bible tells us of such a king—Jesus the Messiah.

Because He is King of kings, He sits enthroned over all rulers, which means that their subjects must ultimately bow to Him. As those who have been commissioned to preach the gospel of the kingdom, our job is to announce the reality of Christ’s present reign and to call people to bow down to Jesus as the sovereign over all.

God’s kingdom is a monarchy ruled over by the perfect King who will not fail to execute justice. Knowing this will sustain us as we face the many injustices this world has to offer. Christ sees them and He will set them all right in the end. He calls us to be ambassadors of His kingdom, to proclaim His reign of justice, warning people that they can enjoy the peace of His kingdom only if they bow the knee to Him today.

Celebration *of* Worship

Greeting and Announcements

Prelude

*During this time, be prayerful and reverent in preparation
for the worship of our holy God in His sanctuary.
(Please silence all phones and electronic devices.)*

† Call to Worship

from Isaiah 40

Leader: *Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel? Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding? Behold, all the nations are as nothing before him, they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.*

† Hymn of Praise

Hymns of Grace

Behold Our God

N^o 126

† Prayer of Invocation

† Please stand, as able

Call to Confession

Isaiah 45:22–25

Leader: *“Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other. By myself I have sworn; from my mouth has gone out in righteousness a word that shall not return: ‘To me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear allegiance.’ Only in the LORD, it shall be said of me, are righteousness and strength; to him shall come and be ashamed all who were incensed against him. In the LORD all the offspring of Israel shall be justified and shall glory.”*

Corporate Prayer of Confession

Unison: Heavenly Father and King,

We come to you today as people who would rather govern our own lives than submit to your rule and shepherding. Instead of bowing down in reverence, full of awe and wonder that you, the almighty creator King of the universe should stoop so low to love and care for us, we often treat you as a servant who should do our bidding and meet all our desires.

Jesus, thank you for worshiping your Father with unwavering faith and unshakable hope on our behalf. You submitted to his wisdom and trusted him completely in all the circumstances of your life. Now your obedience is ours, and we are so grateful to be united to you and defined by your righteousness instead of our own.

Holy Spirit, we are utterly feeble and weak, and we need your power at work in us. Press the truth of your gospel deep into our souls so that we see the work of our triune God: the Father, the radiant Potentate of time; Jesus, the glorious Lamb upon the throne, crowned with many crowns; and the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who is graciously at work in our hearts and lives. Open our lips to join the heavenly worship service and sing praises to our heavenly King, today, tomorrow, and forevermore. Amen.

Individual Prayers of Confession

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 138

Leader: *I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased. All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O LORD, for they have heard the words of your mouth, and they shall sing of the ways of the LORD, for great is the glory of the LORD. For though the LORD is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve my life; you stretch out your hand against the wrath of my enemies, and your right hand delivers me. The LORD will fulfill his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O LORD, endures forever. Do not forsake the work of your hands.*

† Hymn of Trust

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Hymns of Grace

N^o 129

Children's Message

Children are invited to come forward during this time.

Prayers of the People

*God calls us to be a praying people.
Let us join in prayer, offering our praise,
thanksgiving, and intercession to God.*

Offertory Hymn

There Is a Higher Throne

Hymns of Grace

N^o 119

*Our offering is an act of worship in which we express our gratitude and reliance on God.
For those of you who are guests with us today, giving is not obligatory.
We are eager to share with you more about our church and its ministry
and to invite you to participate with us as you are called by God.*

† **Doxology**

Hymns of Grace

Nº 440

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

† **Prayer of Dedication**

Reading of Scripture

ESV Pew Bible

Ecclesiastes 3:16–22

pp. 554–555

Sermon

“Rejoice, You Creature of Dust!”

Rev. Brad DeVries

† **Hymn of Response**

Hymns of Grace

All Glory Be to Christ

Nº 133

† **Benediction**

† **Recessional Hymn**

Hymns of Grace

All Glory Be to Christ (refrain)

Nº 133

All glory be to Christ, our King, all glory be to Christ!
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ!

Postlude

*As you leave the sanctuary today, may you know the hope to which God has called you,
experience the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints,
and trust his incomparably great power for us who believe.*

*Please help us love our community by recycling your unneeded bulletins as you leave.
A recycling bin is located by the door in the narthex.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Newsletter Articles ▶ Today is the final day to submit articles for the December Newsletter. Articles should be submitted via email to Heath.

Hanging of the Greens ▶ There will be a Hanging of the Greens today following the worship service. We are in need of volunteers to help “deck the halls” in preparation for the Advent and Christmas season.

Chrismon Program ▶ Our annual Chrismon Program will be Sunday, November 29th, during the Sunday School hour.

Prayer and Praise ▶ There will be a Prayer and Praise service on Sunday, November 29th, at 5:00 P.M.

Cookout and Bonfire ▶ There will be a Cookout and Bonfire following the Prayer and Praise service on Sunday, November 29th. The Fellowship Team will provide hot dogs, drinks, and s’mores. Those attending are asked to bring a picnic side to share.

Christmas Party ▶ Our annual Christmas Party will be Sunday, December 13th, following the worship service. The Fellowship Team will be providing the meal.

A Special Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ! Our prayer is that you will find great joy and spiritual nourishment as we worship together today.

- ❖ Welcome packets are available in the narthex. We encourage you to fill out a visitor’s card and place it in the plate located in the narthex.
- ❖ Large print ESV Bibles are available near the bulletins.
- ❖ A cry room is available for infants and small children. The cry room is located adjacent to the narthex.

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