



*Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for,  
the conviction of things not seen.*  
- Hebrews 11:1

*We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in  
our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and  
labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.*  
- 1 Thessalonians 1:2-3

## **December 6, 2020**

### ***Morning Worship Service***

Christ The King Presbyterian Church is a Congregation of the  
***Presbyterian Church in America***

### **Morning Worship Service**

## **Welcome and Announcements**

If you are a visitor with us this morning, we warmly welcome you to this worship service of Christ The King.

### **Prelude**

*// Est Né – arr. by Lynette Maynard*

### **\*Call to Worship**

**Psalm 33:1, 18-22**

- <sup>1</sup> Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous!  
Praise befits the upright.  
<sup>18</sup> Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him,  
on those who hope in his steadfast love,  
<sup>19</sup> that he may deliver their soul from death  
and keep them alive in famine.  
<sup>20</sup> Our soul waits for the Lord;  
he is our help and our shield.  
<sup>21</sup> For our heart is glad in him,  
because we trust in his holy name.  
<sup>22</sup> Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us,  
even as we hope in you.

### **\*Invocation**

### **\*Hymn #196**

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

### **Confession of Sin**

**O Lord, our God, we confess that we often fail to do the right thing. Sometimes we do not give ourselves to others or to the tasks of ministry that confront us. Other times, we find it difficult to receive, to receive your grace and mercy, to receive your will and way for our lives, and to receive correction and support from others. We are sometimes so busy that we do not have time to be still and trust that you are God. Have mercy upon us, O God, through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

### **Private Confession of Sin (Silent)**

### **Promise of Forgiveness**

**Hebrews 10:22-23**

*Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.*

#### **Old Testament Reading**

**Genesis 50:22-26**

<sup>22</sup> So Joseph remained in Egypt, he and his father's house. Joseph lived 110 years. <sup>23</sup> And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third generation. The children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were counted as Joseph's own. <sup>24</sup> And Joseph said to his brothers, "I am about to die, but God will visit you and bring you up out of this land to the land that he swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob." <sup>25</sup> Then Joseph made the sons of Israel swear, saying, "God will surely visit you, and you shall carry up my bones from here." <sup>26</sup> So Joseph died, being 110 years old. They embalmed him, and he was put in a coffin in Egypt.

#### **Hebrews 11:22**

<sup>22</sup> By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

#### **Affirmation of Faith**

#### ***Apostle's Creed***

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

#### **Prayers for the Church and the World and 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. And lead us not into**

**temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

#### **Musical Offering**

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

-arr. by Lynette Maynard

#### **Sermon Texts**

**Romans 8:18-25**

<sup>18</sup> For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. <sup>19</sup> For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God. <sup>20</sup> For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of him who subjected it, in hope <sup>21</sup> that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. <sup>22</sup> For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. <sup>23</sup> And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. <sup>24</sup> For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? <sup>25</sup> But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

#### **Hebrews 6:11-20**

<sup>11</sup> And we desire each one of you to show the same earnestness to have the full assurance of hope until the end, <sup>12</sup> so that you may not be sluggish, but imitators of those who through faith and patience inherit the promises. <sup>13</sup> For when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore by himself, <sup>14</sup> saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." <sup>15</sup> And thus Abraham, having patiently waited, obtained the promise. <sup>16</sup> For people swear by something greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. <sup>17</sup> So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he guaranteed it with an oath, <sup>18</sup> so that by two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible for God to lie, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to hold fast to the hope set before us. <sup>19</sup> We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner place behind the curtain, <sup>20</sup> where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.

#### **Preaching of the Word**

**Rev. Eric Huber**

*The Treasure of Hope*

**Sacrament of the Lord's Supper**

**Hymn of Response #193**

*Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

**\*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.

**Additional Verses for *The Treasure of Hope***

**Jeremiah 29:11**

<sup>11</sup> For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.

**Ephesians 1:16-18**

<sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, <sup>17</sup> that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, <sup>18</sup> having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints.

**2 Thessalonians 2:16**

<sup>16</sup> Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace,

**1 Peter 1:3**

<sup>3</sup> Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

**Postlude**

*A La Venue de Noel*  
-arr. by Lynette Maynard

The Lord's Supper is a visible picture of God's mercy to us. The bread and wine represent the body and blood of Jesus, who willingly offered himself as a sacrifice for our sins. The Supper is a way in which we have fellowship with the risen Jesus Christ, and with his people.

We invite to the Lord's Table all those who trust in the Lord Jesus Christ for salvation and are members of an evangelical church.

**Prayers for those who will not be taking communion:**

A Prayer of Repentance and Faith:

*Dear God, I know that I don't deserve to be accepted by you. I am sorry that I have been rebelling against you and ignoring you. Thank you for sending your Son Jesus to die for my sins that I may be forgiven. Thank you for raising him from the dead to give me new life. Please forgive me and change me. From this day forward, help me to live with Jesus as my Lord. Amen.*

A Prayer for Those Struggling with Persistent Sin:

*Dear God, help me to see in you the satisfaction of all that I truly need. Help me to put aside the sin that has taken hold of my life. Help me to return to you, and to follow your Son, Jesus Christ, in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Help me to take the necessary steps to be one with your people again, and to live in the fullness of your Holy Spirit. Amen.*

A Prayer for Those Searching for the Truth:

*Dear God, you claim that your Son, Jesus Christ, is 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. Give me an understanding of yourself that leads to the life that you promise, and help me to accept that life through faith in Jesus Christ. Amen.*

**Hymn Selections:**

196 *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus*

**May I Participate in the Lord's Supper?**

Come, thou long-expected Jesus,  
born to set thy people free;  
from our fears and sins release us;  
let us find our rest in thee.  
Israel's strength and consolation,  
hope of all the earth thou art,  
dear Desire of every nation,  
joy of ev'ry longing heart.

Joy to those who long to see thee,  
Dayspring from on high, appear;  
come, thou promised Rod of Jesse,  
of thy birth we long to hear!  
O'er the hills the angels singing  
news, glad tidings of a birth:  
"Go to him, your praises bringing;  
Christ the Lord has come to earth."

Come to earth to taste our sadness,  
he whose glories knew no end;  
by his life he brings us gladness,  
our Redeemer, Shepherd, Friend.  
Leaving riches without number,  
born within a cattle stall;  
this the everlasting wonder,  
Christ was born the Lord of all.

Born thy people to deliver,  
born a child and yet a king,  
born to reign in us forever,  
now thy gracious kingdom bring.  
By thine own eternal Spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone;  
by thine all-sufficient merit,  
raise us to thy glorious throne.

193 *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*

Let all mortal flesh keep silence,

and with fear and trembling stand;  
ponder nothing earthly-minded,  
for with blessing in his hand,  
Christ our God to earth descendeth,  
our full homage to demand.

King of kings, yet born of Mary,  
As of old on earth he stood,  
Lord of lords, in human vesture,  
in the body and the blood,  
he will give to all the faithful  
his own self for heav'nly food.

Rank on rank the host of heaven  
spreads its vanguard on the way,  
as the Light of light descendeth  
From the realms of endless day,  
that the pow'rs of hell may vanish  
as the darkness clears away.

At his feet the six-winged seraph;  
cherubim, with sleepless eye,  
veil their faces to the presence,  
as with ceaseless voice they cry,  
"Alleluia, alleluia,  
alleluia, Lord Most High!"

**Announcements**

**Sunday Evening Schedule for December:**

Dec 6 – 6:00pm Online prayer meeting  
Dec 13 – 6:00pm Evening worship  
Dec 20 – No evening worship  
Dec 24 – 5:00pm Lessons and Carols  
Dec 27 – No evening worship

**Colonial Neighborhood Council** is a community based organization dedicated to the people in the community who need a helping hand. Every third Sunday Christ the King has the opportunity to restock their pantry. Colonial neighborhood distributes the food based on needs in the community. This month The Colonial Neighborhood Council is asking that we put together care packages with specific items. The care packages are to include:

Juice Box (No added sugar)  
Pack of Crackers  
Applesauce (no added sugar)  
Bag of Chicken or Tuna Creations by Star Kist

There will be an example at the back of the church this Sunday. Please put this in a gallon size zip lock bag and place in the back of the church. Please bring your donated items to the back of the church on the third Sunday, December 20th.

**Congregational Meeting:** The session is very encouraged to be able call a congregational meeting on Thursday, December 17th at 7:00 pm for the purpose of holding an election for the following candidates for office in the church:

- Nick Kirkland - ruling elder
- Pat Canale - deacon
- Nick Thomson – deacon

These men were nominated by the congregation during our nominating period in 2020, have received instruction in the offices, served an internship, and been examined and approved by the session as eligible for election. The meeting will take place via video-conference.

**Calling all women in the church!** If you would like to receive some holiday recipes and Christmas memories from other women in the church, please join our WIC email group! This will be a cumulative email for the month of December that you can add to or just enjoy, but we'd like your permission to include you. Regular visitors, new members, long-time members- the more the

merrier! Help spread some cheer while our usual activities are on hold. To be included, please write to [danamcgahey@gmail.com](mailto:danamcgahey@gmail.com).

**Deacons:** The deacons want to assure you that we are available to help with the ongoing physical needs of the congregation. These are days of deep concern for all of us especially with so much uncertainty surrounding issues of health and finances. Please feel free to call or email one of the deacons with any of your concerns. Grace and Peace, Dave Hudson, Nick Kirkland, Jay Signorino, Peter Stahl, Joshua Tyson.

**Home Fellowship Groups:** These groups will continue to meet. Visit the website and search under Church Life - Home Fellowship Group section for locations and leader information.

### **This Week: Christ The King Presbyterian Church**

#### **Sunday, December 6**

9:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching

11:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching

6:00pm – Online Prayer Meeting

**Tuesday, December 8**

7:00pm – Joint Deacon and Elder Meeting

**Saturday, December 12**

8:00am - Men's Book Study

**Sunday, December 13**

9:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching

11:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching

6:00pm – Evening Worship Service, Rev. Rick Tyson preaching

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**Service Times**

Sunday Morning (9:00am and 11:00 am)  
Sunday Evening (6:00 pm)

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