

In my Father's house are many rooms. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, that where I am you may be also.

-John 14:2-3

But, as it is written,
"What no eye has seen, nor ear heard,
nor the heart of man imagined,
what God has prepared for those who love him"
-1 Corinthians 2:9

September 13, 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

"The God of Abraham Praise" - arr. by Mark Hayes

Psalm 90:1-2, 91:1-2

#### \*Call to Worship

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

<sup>2</sup> Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty.

<sup>2</sup>I will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

#### \*Invocation

#### **Confession of Sin**

Holy Father, forgive us. Though you should guide us, we inform ourselves. Though you should rule us, we control ourselves. Though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. For we think your truth too high, your will too hard, your power to remote, your love too free. But they are not! And without them, we are of all people most miserable. Heal our confused mind with your word, heal our divided will with your law, heal our troubled conscience with your love, heal our anxious hearts with your presence, all for the sake of your Son, who loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.

**Private Confession of Sin** (Silent)

## **Promise of Forgiveness**

Romans 10:9-10

Isaiah 65:17-25

Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

## **Old Testament Reading**

<sup>17</sup> "For behold, I create new heavens

and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

<sup>18</sup> But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create:

for behold, I create lerusalem to be a joy. and her people to be a gladness.

<sup>19</sup> I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;

no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

<sup>20</sup> No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days,

for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

<sup>21</sup> They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

<sup>22</sup> They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;

for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

<sup>23</sup> They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,

for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord. and their descendants with them.

<sup>24</sup> Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

<sup>25</sup> The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain," says the Lord.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!** 

**Affirmation of Faith** 

Westminster Shorter Catechism
Ouestions 37 & 38

Q. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at death?

A. The souls of believers are at their death made perfect in holiness, and do immediately pass into glory; and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection.

Q. What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

A. At the resurrection, believers being raised up in glory, shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted in the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoying of God to all eternity.

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**Impromptu Op. 90, No. 3 in G-flat Major
- F. Schubert

New Testament Readings Revelation 21:1-11, 22-27; 22:1-5

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their

God. <sup>4</sup>He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away."

<sup>5</sup> And he who was seated on the throne said, "Behold, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true." <sup>6</sup> And he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give from the spring of the water of life without payment. <sup>7</sup> The one who conquers will have this heritage, and I will be his God and he will be my son. <sup>8</sup> But as for the cowardly, the faithless, the detestable, as for murderers, the sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars, their portion will be in the lake that burns with fire and sulfur, which is the second death."

<sup>9</sup>Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the Bride, the wife of the Lamb." <sup>10</sup> And he carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, <sup>11</sup> having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal.

<sup>22</sup> And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. <sup>23</sup> And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb. <sup>24</sup> By its light will the nations walk, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it, <sup>25</sup> and its gates will never be shut by day—and there will be no night there. <sup>26</sup> They will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. <sup>27</sup> But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb <sup>2</sup> through the middle of the street of the city; also, on either side of the river, the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, yielding its fruit each month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations. <sup>3</sup> No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. <sup>4</sup>They will see his face, and his name will be on their

foreheads. <sup>5</sup> And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

Preaching of the Word

A Place Prepared

Rev. Eric Huber

**Hymn of Response**Jerusalem the Golden - Neale/Ewing

\*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.

**Postlude** Impromptu Op. 90, No. 4 in A-flat Major - F. Schubert

#### **Hymn Selections:**

4 The God of Abraham Praise

The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above, Ancient of Everlasting Days, and God of love.
Jehovah, great I AM! by earth and heav'n confessed; I bow and bless the sacred name forever blest.

The God of Abraham praise, at whose supreme command from earth I rise, and seek the joys at his right hand.
I all on earth forsake, tis wisdom, fame, and pow'r, and him my only portion make, my shield and tow'r.

He by himself hath sworn,
I on his oath depend,
I shall, on eagles' wings upborn,
to heav'n ascend.
I shall behold his face,
I shall his pow'r adore,
and sing the wonders of his grace
forevermore.

The goodly land I see, with peace and plenty blest, a land of sacred liberty and endless rest.

There milk and honey flow, and oil and wine abound, and trees of life forever grow, with mercy crowned.

There dwells the Lord our King, the Lord our Righteousness, triumphant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace.
On Zion's sacred height his kingdom he maintains, and glorious with his saints in light forever reigns.

The whole triumphant host gives thanks to God on high; "Hail, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!" they ever cry. Hail, Abraham's God and mine! I join the heav'nly lays; all might and majesty are thine, and endless praise.

## 539 Jerusalem the Golden

Jerusalem the golden, with milk and honey blest, beneath your contemplation sink heart and voice oppressed. I know not, O I know not, what joys await us there; what radiancy of glory, what bliss beyond compare.

They stand, those halls of Zion, all jubilant with song, and bright with many an angel, and all the martyr throng. The Prince is ever in them, the daylight is serene; the pastures of the blessed are decked in glorious sheen.

There is the throne of David; and there, from care released, the song of them that triumph, the shout of them that feast; and they, who with their Leader have conquered in the fight, forever and forever are clad in robes of white.

O sweet and blessed country, the home of God's elect!
O sweet and blessed country that eager hearts expect!
Jesus, in mercy bring us to that dear land of rest; who are, with God the Father and Spirit, ever blest.

# **Announcements**

## **Sunday Evening Schedule for September:**

Sept 13 - Evening Service, Mr. Joel Richards preaching

Sept 20 - Online Prayer Meeting

Sept 27 - Evening Service, Rev. Rick Tyson preaching

**Gathered Worship:** We are currently offering two morning worship services at 9 and 11. They are basically the same with the exception that we are doing some singing in the latter service. As a reminder, masks are now required at both services. Safety protocols are available in the back of the church at the "Welcome Center." We will also continue to live-stream the 9:00 service. Please check your email and the website for additional details. The Evening service will follow the same mask requirements as the morning service and there will not be singing.

**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.

Women's Saturday Bible Study: Our first study will be on September 19th, 9:30 - 11:00 am at the home of Maria Signorino. Maria has a deck on which we may hold the study for those of us who may be uncomfortable meeting inside. We are studying Philippians using Sinclair Ferguson book 'Let's Study Philippians'. For more information call Charlotte Schmucker at 610-647-1362 or email her at cgqbschmucker@comcast.net.

## This Week: Christ The King Presbyterian Church

## Sunday, September 13th

9: 00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching 11:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching 6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service, Mr. Joel Richards preaching

#### Sunday, September 20th

9: 00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Rob Edwards preaching 11:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Rob Edwards preaching 6:00 pm – Online Prayer Meeting

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