

Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand.

So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

- Romans 13:11-12

January 17, 2021 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

"Morning" – S. Prokofiev

*Call to Worship

1 Samuel 2:1-10

¹ "My heart exults in the Lord; my horn is exalted in the Lord.

My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in your salvation.

² "There is none holy like the Lord: for there is none besides you; there is no rock like our God.

³ Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth;

for the Lord is a God of knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

⁴The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble bind on strength.

⁵Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry have ceased to hunger.

The barren has borne seven, but she who has many children is forlorn.

⁶The Lord kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and raises up.

⁷The Lord makes poor and makes rich; he brings low and he exalts.

⁸ He raises up the poor from the dust; he lifts the needy from the ash heap to make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.
For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's, and on them he has set the world.

⁹ "He will guard the feet of his faithful ones, but the wicked shall be cut off in darkness, for not by might shall a man prevail. The adversaries of the Lord shall be broken to pieces; against them he will thunder in heaven.
The Lord will judge the ends of the earth; he will give strength to his king and exalt the horn of his anointed."

*Invocation

*Hymn #100

Holy, Holy, Holy

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, you have raised Jesus from death to life, and crowned him Lord. We confess that we do not subject our wants and desires to him, and we do not acknowledge his rule in the way we live. We have instead gone along with the ways of the world, and have brought dishonor upon his name. Forgive us, and raise us from sin, that we may be your faithful people, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, who rules the world and is head of the church. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin (Silent)

Promise of Forgiveness

Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

Reading of the Law

Deuteronomy 18:9-22

15 "The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— 16 just as you desired of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.' And the Lord said to me, 'They are right in what they have spoken. Will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.' And if you say in your heart, 'How may we know the word that the Lord has not spoken?'— 22 when a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the word does not come to pass or come true, that is a word that the Lord has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously. You need not be afraid of him.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism
Questions 2, 3, & 24

Q: What rule hath God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

A. The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Q: What do the Scriptures principally teach?

A: The Scriptures principally teach, what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

Q: How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?

A. Christ executeth the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Heidelberg Catechism Question 31

Q. Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed?"

⁹ "When you come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you, you shall not learn to follow the abominable practices of those nations. ¹⁰ There shall not be found among you anyone who burns his son or his daughter as an offering, anyone who practices divination or tells fortunes or interprets omens, or a sorcerer ¹¹ or a charmer or a medium or a necromancer or one who inquires of the dead, ¹² for whoever does these things is an abomination to the Lord. And because of these abominations the Lord your God is driving them out before you. ¹³ You shall be blameless before the Lord your God, ¹⁴ for these nations, which you are about to dispossess, listen to fortune-tellers and to diviners. But as for you, the Lord your God has not allowed you to do this.

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be

our chief prophet and teacher who perfectly reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God for our deliverance;

our only high priest who has set us free by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father;

and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

Prayers for the Church and the World

Musical Offering

Am Kamin - R. Schumann

Sermon Text

1 Samuel 28:3-25

¹⁵ Then Samuel said to Saul, "Why have you disturbed me by bringing me up?" Saul answered, "I am in great distress, for the Philistines are warring against me, and God has turned away from me and answers me no more, either by prophets or by dreams. Therefore I have summoned you to tell me what I shall do." ¹⁶ And Samuel said, "Why then do you ask me, since the Lord has turned from you and become your enemy? ¹⁷ The Lord has done to you as he spoke by me, for the Lord has torn the kingdom out of your hand and given it to your neighbor, David. ¹⁸ Because you did not obey the voice of the Lord and did not carry out his fierce wrath against Amalek, therefore the Lord has done this thing to you this day. ¹⁹ Moreover, the Lord will give Israel also with you into the hand of the Philistines, and tomorrow you and your sons shall be with me. The Lord will give the army of Israel also into the hand of the Philistines."

²⁰ Then Saul fell at once full length on the ground, filled with fear because of the words of Samuel. And there was no strength in him, for he had eaten nothing all day and all night. ²¹ And the woman came to Saul, and when she saw that he was terrified, she said to him, "Behold, your servant has obeyed you. I have taken my life in my hand and have listened to what you have said to me. ²² Now therefore, you also obey your servant. Let me set a morsel of bread before you; and eat, that you may have strength when you go on your way." ²³ He refused and said, "I will not eat." But his servants, together with the woman, urged him, and he listened to their words. So he arose from the earth and sat on the bed. ²⁴Now the woman had a fattened calf in the house, and she quickly killed it, and she took flour and kneaded it and baked unleavened bread of it, ²⁵ and she put it before Saul and his servants, and they ate. Then they rose and went away that night.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Eric Huber

Desperation

*Hymn of Response #59

Forever Settled in the Heavens

*Benediction

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you all.

Postlude

Rundgesang – R. Schumann

³ Now Samuel had died, and all Israel had mourned for him and buried him in Ramah, his own city. And Saul had put the mediums and the necromancers out of the land. ⁴ The Philistines assembled and came and encamped at Shunem. And Saul gathered all Israel, and they encamped at Gilboa. ⁵ When Saul saw the army of the Philistines, he was afraid, and his heart trembled greatly. ⁶ And when Saul inquired of the Lord, the Lord did not answer him, either by dreams, or by Urim, or by prophets. ⁷ Then Saul said to his servants, "Seek out for me a woman who is a medium, that I may go to her and inquire of her." And his servants said to him, "Behold, there is a medium at En-dor."

⁸ So Saul disguised himself and put on other garments and went, he and two men with him. And they came to the woman by night. And he said, "Divine for me by a spirit and bring up for me whomever I shall name to you." ⁹ The woman said to him, "Surely you know what Saul has done, how he has cut off the mediums and the necromancers from the land. Why then are you laying a trap for my life to bring about my death?" ¹⁰But Saul swore to her by the Lord, "As the Lord lives, no punishment shall come upon you for this thing." ¹¹ Then the woman said, "Whom shall I bring up for you?" He said, "Bring up Samuel for me." ¹² When the woman saw Samuel, she cried out with a loud voice. And the woman said to Saul, "Why have you deceived me? You are Saul." ¹³ The king said to her, "Do not be afraid. What do you see?" And the woman said to Saul, "I see a god coming up out of the earth." ¹⁴ He said to her, "What is his appearance?" And she said, "An old man is coming up, and he is wrapped in a robe." And Saul knew that it was Samuel, and he bowed with his face to the ground and paid homage.

Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Hymn Selections:

100 Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee. Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

59 Forever Settled in the Heavens

Forever settled in the heav'ns, thy word, O Lord, shall firmly stand; thy faithfulness shall never fail; the earth abides at thy command.

Thy word and works unmoved remain,

thine every purpose to fulfil; all things are thine and thee obey, and all as servants wait thy will.

I should have perished in my woe had not I loved thy law divine; that law I never can forget; O save me, Lord, for I am thine.

The wicked would destroy my soul, but in thy truth is refuge sure; exceeding broad is thy command, and in perfection shall endure.

Announcements

Sunday Evening Schedule for January:

January 17 - Online Prayer Meeting

January 24 - Evening Worship, Mr. Blake Franze preaching

January 31 - No Evening Worship or Prayer Meeting

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, January 17

9:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching 11:00 am - Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching 6:00 pm - Online Prayer Meeting

Sunday, January 24

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. Blake Franze preaching

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