

Forever, O Lord, your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.
- Psalm 119:89

Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law.

-Romans 13:8

The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

-1 Timothy 1:5

# October 24, 2021 Morning Worship Service

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

# **Morning Worship Service (10:00 am)**

#### **Welcome and Announcements**

If you are a visitor with us this morning, we warmly welcome you to this worship service of Christ The King. Please take a moment to fill out the welcome card and place it in the offering plate.

#### **Prelude**

#### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 118:1-4, 29

<sup>1</sup>Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

<sup>2</sup> Let Israel say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

<sup>3</sup> Let the house of Aaron say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

<sup>4</sup> Let those who fear the Lord say,

"His steadfast love endures forever."

<sup>29</sup> Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever!

#### \*Praise to Our Triune God

The Doxology

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.

\*Invocation

\*Hymn of Praise # 119

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

#### **Confession of Sin**

Lord, you are good when you give and when you take away. You have loved me before the creation of the world. In love you did redeem my soul through Jesus Christ your Son. You love me still in spite of my hard heart, ingratitude, and distrust. But how little your goodness and love have affected me! Have mercy on me and bring me to repentance. Help me to

hate and forsake every false way, to control my tongue, to put to death sin, to do good to others and be concerned for their salvation. Glorify yourself in me whether in comfort or trial. Amen.

**Private Confession of Sin** (Silent)

# **Promise of Forgiveness**

Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities under foot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 40:1-11

(Page 599 in Blue Bible)

<sup>1</sup>Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

<sup>2</sup> Speak tenderly to Jerusalem, and cry to her that her warfare is ended, that her iniquity is pardoned, that she has received from the Lord's hand double for all her sins.

<sup>3</sup> A voice cries:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

<sup>4</sup>Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level,

ne uneven ground shall become leve and the rough places a plain.

<sup>5</sup> And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

<sup>6</sup> A voice says, "Cry!"
And I said, "What shall I cry?"
All flesh is grass,
and all its beauty is like the flower of the field.

<sup>7</sup> The grass withers, the flower fades
when the breath of the Lord blows on it:

surely the people are grass.

<sup>8</sup> The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

<sup>9</sup>Go on up to a high mountain,
O Zion, herald of good news;
lift up your voice with strength,
O Jerusalem, herald of good news;
lift it up, fear not;
say to the cities of Judah,
"Behold your God!"
<sup>10</sup>Behold, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him;
behold, his reward is with him,

and his recompense before him.

11 He will tend his flock like a shepherd;

he will gather the lambs in his arms; he will carry them in his bosom, and gently lead those that are with young.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!** 

\*Hymn # 188

Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting

#### \*Affirmation of Faith

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds; God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made. who, for us and for our salvation, came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of Life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers for the Church and the World

whose kingdom shall have no end.

The Collection

**Sermon Text** 

1 Peter 1:22-25

(Page 1014 in Blue Bible)

<sup>22</sup> Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, <sup>23</sup> since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; <sup>24</sup> for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, 25 but the word of the Lord remains forever."

And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

**Preaching of the Word** 

Rev. Eric Huber

Imperishability: Love Never Ends

**Hymn of Response # 529** 

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

#### \*Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

#### \*Postlude

#### **Announcements**

## Assisting in worship: Mr. Jack Newman

**Special opportunity to reduce debt:** Contributions to the Building Fund during the months of November and December 2021 will be used to pay down the church's loan. We are thankful for God's provision in allowing us to reduce the \$300,000 initial balance to \$158,000 in just 2 1/2 years. We are eager to be debt free and use the resulting cash flow for ministry opportunities.

To make a contribution please write "building fund" in the memo line of your check. If giving online simply select "building fund" on the church's web site giving portal. Contact a deacon to arrange gifting of securities through the church's brokerage account.

Women in the Church (WIC) is sponsoring a guided tour of Stoneleigh, including its gardens, historic landscape and main house. Meet at Stoneleigh's parking lot, 1829 County Line Rd, in Villanova, Saturday, Oct. 30, at 10 am. Bring a picnic lunch. RSVP and questions to Dana McGahey.

The Women's Bible Study will be meeting on Saturday, November 6th, at the home of Carmen Signorino. Carmen's address is 832 Palomino Drive, Collegeville, PA 19426 and her phone number is 610-331-0946. The study starts at 9:30 am and ends at 11:00 am. All women in the church are welcome. We just began a study of 'Gentle and Lowly' written by Dane Ortlund. If you have any questions, please call Charlotte Schmucker at 610-647-1362.

**Website Update:** In order to make it possible to prepare ahead of time for worship services on Sundays, we are now posting the bulletin every week on Friday to the blog page on our website, located at http://christthekingpca.org/walking-together/.

**Reformation Celebration:** On October 31st we will join Proclamation Presbyterian Church and for a Reformation worship service. The service will be at 5pm, and Dr. David Garner will be preaching. There will not be an evening service at CTK on this day.

## 2021 Financial Update as of September 30, 2021:

Actual Giving	Budget Giving	Actual	Budget
		Expenses	Expenses
\$311,157.50	\$302,933.99	\$230,162.65	\$304,246.49

Online Giving Interface (CTK Website): Please note that the user interface to the online giving platform on the church website was updated recently. Though the website visually looks a little different, all online giving is still being received by the church as normal.

If you are interested in giving to the church online, please see the Give Online page on our website, located under resources: christthekingpca.org/resources/give-online/.

**Haitian Relief:** The Presbyterian Church in America provides disaster relief to needy Haitians through its Mission to the World program. Information on the current catastrophe, Haitian missionaries and donation instructions can be found at mtw.org

**Hurricane Relief:** Relief support for hurricane Ida is provided through Mission to North America. Donation instructions and volunteer opportunities are described at: pcamna.org

**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, October 24

9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching 6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching - Lord's Supper

### Sunday, October 31

9:00 am – Sunday School 10:00 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Jerry McFarland preaching 5:00 pm – Reformation service at Proclamation Presbyterian Church No evening service

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# **Service Times**

Sunday Morning (10:00 am) Sunday Evening (6:00 pm)

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