

Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonor for the name.

- Acts 5:41

That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.
- Philippians 3:10-11

May 8, 2022 Morning Worship Service

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

Morning Worship Service (10:30 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 31:1-5, 21

¹ In you, O Lord, do I take refuge; let me never be put to shame; in your righteousness deliver me!

² Incline your ear to me; rescue me speedily!

Be a rock of refuge for me, a strong fortress to save me!

- ³ For you are my rock and my fortress; and for your name's sake you lead me and guide me;
- ⁴ you take me out of the net they have hidden for me, for you are my refuge.
- ⁵ Into your hand I commit my spirit; you have redeemed me, O Lord, faithful God.
- ²¹ Blessed be the Lord, for he has wondrously shown his steadfast love to me when I was in a besieged city.

*Praise to Our Triune God

The Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, As it was in the beginning, Is now and ever shall be, World without end, amen, amen.

*Invocation

*Hymn of Praise # 92

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Let your word abide with us until it has worked in us your holy will. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin (Silent)

Promise of Forgiveness

1 Peter 2:24,25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 3:1-6, 3:16-4:2 (page 802 in blue Bible)

¹"Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. ² But who can endure the day of his coming, and who can stand when he appears? For he is like a refiner's fire and like fullers' soap. ³ He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver, and he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and they will bring offerings in righteousness to the Lord. ⁴ Then the offering of Judah and Jerusalem will be pleasing to the Lord as in the days of old and as in former years.

⁵ "Then I will draw near to you for judgment. I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, against the adulterers, against those who swear falsely, against those who oppress the hired worker in his wages, the widow and the fatherless, against those who thrust aside the sojourner, and do not fear me, says the Lord of hosts.

⁶ "For I the Lord do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.

¹⁶ Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name. ¹⁷ "They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸ Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

4 "For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ² But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn # 689

Be Still My Soul

*Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Questions 26-28

Q. What do you believe when you say: I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them, and who still upholds and governs them by His eternal counsel and providence, is, for the sake of Christ His Son, my God and my Father. In Him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that He will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul, and will also turn to my good whatever adversity He sends me in this life of sorrow. He is able to do so as almighty God, and willing also as a faithful Father.

Q. What do you understand by the providence of God?

A. God's providence is His almighty and ever present power, whereby, as with His hand, He still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, indeed, all things, come not by chance but by His fatherly hand.

Q. What does it benefit us to know that God has created all things and still upholds them by His providence?

A. We can be patient in adversity, thankful in prosperity, and with a view to the future we can have a firm confidence in our faithful God and Father that no creature shall separate us from His love; for all creatures are so completely in His hand that without His will they cannot so much as move.

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.

The Collection

Sermon Text

1 Peter 4:12-19

(Page 1016 in blue Bible)

¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. ¹³ But rejoice insofar as you share Christ's sufferings, that you may also rejoice and be glad when his glory is revealed. ¹⁴ If you are insulted for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. ¹⁵ But let none of you suffer as a murderer or a thief or an evildoer or as a meddler. ¹⁶ Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in that name. ¹⁷ For it is time for judgment to begin at the household of God; and if it begins with us, what will be the outcome for those who do not obey the gospel of God? ¹⁸ And

"If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?"

¹⁹Therefore let those who suffer according to God's will entrust their souls to a faithful Creator while doing good.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Eric Huber

Entrust Your Soul!

*Hymn # 691

It Is Well with My Soul

*Benediction

1 Peter 5:10, 14

And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

*Postlude

Additional Passages for Entrust Your Soul

Matthew 5:11-12

¹¹ "Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹² Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Luke 23:46

Then Jesus, calling out with a loud voice, said, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit!" And having said this he breathed his last.

2 Thessalonians 1:5-10

⁵ This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, that you may be considered worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering— ⁶ since indeed God considers it just to repay with affliction those who afflict you, ⁷ and to grant relief to you who are afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty angels ⁸ in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. ⁹ They will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, away from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, ¹⁰ when he comes on that day to be glorified in his saints, and to be marveled at among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed.

Announcements

Assisting in worship: Mr. Nicolas Kirkland

Men's Book Study: The men in the church are beginning a new book study. Over the months ahead we will be reading and discussing Sinclair Ferguson's, The Whole Christ. This is a terrific book that explores a theological debate that took place in Scotland originally in the 18th century. While that may sound rather arcane or irrelevant, the book leads us through deep and always relevant issues of Gospel assurance, grace, obedience, faith, repentance, legalism, and antinomianism. It is written with Ferguson's characteristic winsomeness, insight, and clarity. The books are available at the welcome desk at the back of the sanctuary, and the suggested donation is \$18. We will meet at the Hubers' on Saturday, May 14th from 8:00-9:15. Breakfast is provided. We'll be looking at the Introduction and Chapter 1.

YoungLives: It's baby bottle collection time! Once again, YoungLives invites all of us to take home an empty plastic baby bottle and fill it with coins and cash - a great way to invite your kids to participate along with you! Baby bottles will be available to take home beginning on Mother's Day, May 8th. The campaign will run until Father's Day when the bottles will be collected. All funds raised will be used for operational expenses in this ministry to teen moms and their children at the Norristown Club. Please direct any questions to Lauren Elban at laurenelban@gmail.com or 215-740-2461.

YoungLives Collection: We are grateful to be partnered with YoungLives Norristown. Their need for baby supplies is ongoing and we will begin collecting supplies monthly. You can drop off on the third Thursday of each month. The current need is for pull-up diapers and wipes.

Dear Crafty Folks of CTK, you are invited to a craft night at the home of Jenni Glaser on Monday, May 16 from 7:30 to 9pm. Bring whatever you like to craft (knitting, crochet, quilting, etc) and join us for a time of fellowship. We will be meeting on the third Mondays of the month. If you have any questions or to rsvp, please contact Jenni at jglaser@brynmawr.edu.

The Women's Saturday Bible Study will not be meeting in May. Our next study will be on June 18th, 9:30 am, at the home of Maria Signorino. Please see Charlotte Schmucker if you have any questions.

Ukraine Crisis Gift: Over the past year the deacons have renewed our emphasis on prayerfully considering ways to meaningfully give and bless others. At the start of the conflict, the deacons sent a contribution from the deacons fund to assist Mission to the World's (MTW) Ukraine relief efforts.

MTW is seeking to raise funds to provide relief to displaced people, support to pastors and make plans for rebuilding. To date, they have raised \$4.9M. If you would like to give as well, you can do so by going to www.mtw.org/ukraine-crisis.



Join the Women of CTK for a Spring Tea

Saturday, May 21st at 10:30am Hosted at the home of Elizabeth Stahl in Wayne, PA



All woman and girls of the church are invited for a time of food, fellowship, and singing. A food sign-up sheet will go out closer to the event.

This is an excellent opportunity to invite a friend to a church event!

RSVP by Friday, May 13th to rebecca.h.kirkland@gmail.com

Directions will be provided upon rsvp

This Week: Christ The King Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 8

9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching No Evening Service

Saturday, May 14

8:00 am – Men's Book Study

Sunday, May 15

9:30 am – Sunday School 10:30 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching 6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service

- Lord's Supper

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