

Order of Public Worship of God

The Twenty-Sixth Day of November, Two Thousand Twenty-Three

Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

“Herod wanted to see himself as the Davidic king, yet the one who would get that designation was born in his reign in a little Israelite village.”

- Darrell Bock, *Luke*

“While earthly kings conquer by filling the world with bodies, Jesus conquers by converting and filling the earth with his body [the church]”

- Tim Keller, *The Songs of Jesus*

“I will tell His Majesty what a king is. A king does not abide within his tent while his men bleed and die upon the field. A king does not dine while his men go hungry, nor sleep when they stand at watch upon the wall. A king does not command his men’s loyalty through fear nor purchase it with gold; he earns their love by the sweat of his own back and the pains he endures for their sake. That which comprises the harshest burden, a king lifts first and sets down last. A king does not require service of those he leads but provides it to them. He serves them, not they him.”

- Steven Pressfield, *Gates of Fire*



OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God,
Give us grace to cast away the works of darkness,
and put on the armor of light,
Now in the time of this mortal life
in which your Son Jesus Christ
came to visit us in great humility;
That in the last day,
when he shall come again in his glorious majesty
to judge both the living and the dead,
we may rise to the life immortal;
Through him who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

† HYMN OF WORSHIP | “Rejoice the Lord Is King”

Rejoice the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore;
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing and triumph evermore:

Refrain:

Lift up your hearts! Lift up your voice, rejoice,
Again, I say rejoice!

Jesus the Savior reigns, the God of truth and love.
When he had purged our stains, he took his seat above: (*refrain*)

His Kingdom cannot fail! He rules o’er earth and heav’n;
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv’n: (*refrain*)

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come
And take his servants up to their eternal home: (*refrain*)

† CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 8:1-6, 9

O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!
You have set your glory above the heavens.

Out of the mouth of babies and infants,
you have established strength because of your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

what is man that you are mindful of him,
and the son of man that you care for him?

Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings
and crowned him with glory and honor.

You have given him dominion over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under his feet,

O Lord, our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

MEMBERSHIP VOWS

Mia Grace Erhardt, Addison Claire Holland, Peter Manuel Isbell,
Benjamin “Benji” Leng Phouasalith, Heather Aydt, Daniel German,
Jonathan Harrison & Elaine Ritter, Chuck & Laura Simmons

WELCOME INTO THE COMMUNITY OF CHRIST

Christ be with you, Christ within you,
Christ behind you, Christ before you,
Christ beside you, Christ to win you,
Christ to comfort and restore you,
Christ beneath you, Christ above you,
Christ in quiet, Christ in danger,
Christ in the hearts of those that love you,
Christ in the mouth of friend and stranger.

~ Adapted from the Prayer of St. Patrick

† HYMNS OF THANKSGIVING | “Come, Thou Almighty King”

Come, thou Almighty King,
Help us thy name to sing; help us to praise!
Father all glorious, o’er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days!

Come, thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on thy mighty sword; our prayer attend!
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy word success,
Spirit of holiness, on us descend!

Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Thou who Almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne’er from us depart, Spirit of power!

To thee, great One in Three,
Eternal praises be; hence, evermore
Thy sovereign majesty, may we in glory see,
And to eternity, Love and adore!

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne!
Hark how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake my soul and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity!

Crown him the Lord of love! Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail redeemer hail, for thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail, throughout eternity!

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o’er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save!

His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die!

INVOCATION 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.

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERING

† CORPORATE PROFESSION OF FAITH | The Athanasian Creed, On the Incarnation

It is necessary for eternal salvation that one also
faithfully believe that our Lord Jesus Christ became flesh.

For this is the true faith that we believe and confess:

That our Lord Jesus Christ, God’s Son,
is both God and man.
He is God, begotten before all worlds from the being of the Father,
And he is man, born in the world from the being of his mother:
existing fully as God, and fully as man
with a rational soul and a human body;
equal to the Father in divinity, subordinate to the Father in humanity.
Although he is God and man, he is not divided, but is one Christ.
He is united because God has taken humanity into himself;
he does not transform deity into humanity.
He is completely one in the unity of his person,
without confusing his natures.
For as the rational soul and body are one person,
so the one Christ is God and man.
He suffered death for our salvation.
He descended into hell and rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

† DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav’nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

† GREETING

*Junior Worship begins for children age four through first grade. Please escort children to the following classrooms.
Preschool - Room 10; Kindergarten and First Grade - Room 9. Children will return to sit with their families
before communion.*

READING OF GOD'S WORD | Luke 1: 1-7

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON | Series - The Last Prophet

Sermon - "The Coming of the King"

- Rev. James M. Holland

PRAYER FOR GRACE AND INVITATION TO THE TABLE

SILENT CONFESSION

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN | Book of Cerne, 9th century

We come before your sight, O Lord,

as those accused with our conscience as witness.

We pray, not daring to ask what we are not worthy to receive.

But Lord, you know everything that drives us to confess to you;

what we are ashamed of,

and the sins we were not afraid to commit.

With these words we yield to you our hearts and minds,

and commend to you what we say,

but not what we have done.

Spare us, O Lord, and forgive the sins we confess.

Have mercy on those who call to you.

And because our senses are weak

in comprehending your mysteries,

grant, Lord, the things we do not ask

because of the hardness of our hearts,

and grant us pardon;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Richard Rolle, d. 1349

O Holy God, in you is all goodness, your pity and mercy made you to descend from the high throne down into this world, the valley of woe and weeping, and here you took our nature, and in that nature, you suffered pain and death to bring our souls to your Kingdom.

In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

BREAKING OF THE BREAD AND SHARING OF THE CUP

† HYMN OF ASSURANCE | "Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven, to his feet thy tribute bring;

Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, who like me his praise should sing?

Refrain:

Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the everlasting King.

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Praise him for his grace and favor to our fathers in distress;

Praise him still the same forever, slow to chide, and swift to bless. (refrain)

Fatherlike he tends and spares us, well, our feeble frame he knows;

In his hands he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes. (refrain)

Angels help us to adore him, ye behold him face to face;

Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space. (refrain)

† BENEDICTION | 1 Timothy 1:17

To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God,
be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Scripture tells us to make our needs known to God, and to call others to pray with and for us.
If you would like prayer, elders will be standing in the front of the sanctuary (pulpit side)
immediately following the service to pray with you.*



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