Christ the King Sunday

The Order and Celebration of Worship November 22, 2020

THE GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Enter God's house with thanksgiving, come into God's courts with praise. As the prelude begins, let us rejoice in the quiet of God's Spirit and prepare ourselves for worship.

*CALL TO WORSHIP Minister

PRAYER, PROCLAMATION, AND PRAISE

*OPENING PRAYER Minister

*OPENING HYMN "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!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Apostles' Creed

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*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.

READING OF THE PSALM

Psalm 100

PRAYER OF CONFESSION/WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Minister

"We Gather Together"

HYMN OF FAITH

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing; he chastens and hastens his will to make known. The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing. Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine; so from the beginning the fight we were winning; thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine!

We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant, and pray that thou still our defender wilt be. Let thy congregation escape tribulation; thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!

JOYS AND CONCERNS Minister

Pastoral Prayer
Our Lord's Prayer
Unison

SPECIAL MUSIC Gary Thonesen

SCRIPTURE LESSON Matthew 25:31-46

SERMON "Not Merely a Checklist" Rev. D'Leigh Harvell

RESPONSE AND SENDING FORTH

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

*Offertory Response

"The Doxology"

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

INVITATION TO RENEW OUR SPIRITS

The altar is always open for personal prayer, thanksgiving, or meditation.

*CLOSING HYMN

"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 life, who triumphed o'er the grave, who 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.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

*BENEDICTION Minister

*POSTLUDE

*PLEASE STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE