



Order of Worship

November 25th, 2018



Christ the King Sunday

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LITURGY

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*This service is dedicated to the memory of Sulemana Adam (1985-2018)
Memory eternal and God's peace.*

PRELUDE

“All Hail The Power Of Jesus’ Name”

WELCOME

+ PRAYER OF APPROACH

Pastor: O hail the power of Jesus’ name!

People: The King of kings and Lord of lords!

Pastor: O hail the power of Jesus’ name!

People: Whose mighty throne is grace and truth!

Pastor: O hail the power of Jesus’ name!

People: And bend the knee with heavenly hosts!

Pastor: O hail the power of Jesus’ name!

People: Whose rule and reign shall never end!

**ALL: O Christ, Who is the King of kings, we hail the power of
Your great name, and we place upon Your holy head the
diadem of thanks and praise. Lord, may Your Kingdom come,
where first are last and last are first, and may our hearts
become Your throne of justice, peace, and perfect joy.
To You be the glory forever and ever! Amen!**

† SONG OF APPROACH

"All Hail The Power Of Jesus' Name"

words by Edward Perronet, 1779; music by James Ellor, 1838

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - sored from the
 3 Let ev - ery kin - dred, ev - ery tribe, on this ter - res - trial
 4 O that with yon - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may

fall, let an - gels pros - trate fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a -
 fall, ye ran - sored from the fall, hail him who saves you by his
 ball, on this ter - res - trial ball, to him all maj - es - ty as -
 fall, we at his feet may fall! We'll join the ev - er - last - ing

dem,
 grace, and crown him, crown him,
 cribe,
 song, and crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him, crown him,
 crown

crown him, crown him, and crown him Lord of all.
 him, and crown him

PRAYER OF ADORATION

† THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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 trespasses,
 As we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
 For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
 Forever and ever. Amen.

† SONG OF ADORATION

“The Solid Rock”

words by Edward Mote, 1834; music by William Bradbury, 1864 (Indelible Grace)

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

[RERAIN]

*On Christ, the solid Rock I stand,
All other ground is sinking sand;
All other ground is sinking sand.*

When darkness veils His lovely face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil.

[RERAIN]

His oath, His covenant, His blood,
Support me in the whelming flood.
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay.

[RERAIN]

When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh may I then in Him be found.
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne.

[RERAIN]

† CONFESSION OF SIN

Pastor: Brothers and Sisters, within this place, we stand before the heavenly throne. But we need not fear its judgement for it seats a King of grace and truth. To Him we now confess....

ALL: O Christ our King, we confess to You and to one another that we have failed to be Your people. We have failed to keep Your Kingdom's way, where first are last and last are first. And we have failed to give our treasures up that we might truly treasure You. Lord, in Your mercy, forgive us for our failures, and give us faith to follow You in justice, peace, and perfect joy.
In Your holy name we pray. Amen.

(Confess in Silence)

† SONG OF CONFESSION

“The Kingdom Of God”

words and music by the Taize Community, 2002

The Kingdom of God is justice and peace,
And joy in the Holy Spirit.
Come Lord, and open in us
The gates of Your Kingdom.

† CONFESSION OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Brothers and Sisters receive this word of grace and truth:
For the Father has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the Kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Therefore, in the name of Christ our King, and by His authority, I declare to you the entire forgiveness of all of our sins. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven and made righteous!
Thanks be to God!

† **CONFESSION OF FAITH**

Apostles Creed

Pastor: Let us confess our faith together saying:

ALL: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
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, died, and was buried;
He descended to the dead;
On the third day He rose again;
He ascended into heaven,
And He is seated at the right hand of the Father;
He will come again to judge the living 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.

* The word *catholic* means “universal” or “for all people” (not the Roman Catholic Church).

† **PASSING OF PEACE**

Pastor: Friends, the peace of the Lord be with you!

People: And also with you!

Pastor: Please take this time to offer the peace of Christ to those around you.

† **SONG OF PEACE**

“Soon And Very Soon”

words and music by Andrae Crouch, 1978

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.

*Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We are going to see the King.*

No more dying there, we are going to see the King.
No more dying there, we are going to see the King.
No more dying there, we are going to see the King.

*Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We are going to see the King.*

No more crying there, we are going to see the King.
No more crying there, we are going to see the King.
No more crying there, we are going to see the King.

*Hallelujah, Hallelujah,
We are going to see the King.*

Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are going to see the King.

Hallelujah, Hallelujah,

† FIRST READING

Matthew 19:16-22 (ESV)

The Rich Young Man I

Lector: Children of God and friends of Christ, hear these words from the Gospel of Matthew:

¹⁶ And behold, a young man came to Jesus, saying, “Teacher, what good deed must I do to have eternal life?”

¹⁷ And Jesus said to him, “**Why do you ask Me about what is good? There is only One who is good. If you would enter life, keep the commandments.**”

¹⁸ Then the young man said to Him, “Which ones?” And Jesus said, “**You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not bear false witness,** ¹⁹ **Honor your father and mother, and, you shall love your neighbor as yourself.**”

²⁰ And the young man said to him, “All these I have kept. What do I still lack?”

²¹ Then Jesus said to him, “**If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me.**”

²² But when the young man heard this he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions.

Lector: This is the Word of God for you, the people of God!

People: Thanks be to God!

† NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 19:23-30 (ESV)

The Rich Young Man II

Pastor: And now friends, a second reading from the Gospel of Matthew. Listen and hear the Word of God:

²³ Then Jesus said to His disciples, “**Truly, I say to you, only with difficulty will a rich person enter the Kingdom of Heaven.** ²⁴ **Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich person to enter the Kingdom of God.**”

²⁵ And when the disciples heard this, they were greatly astonished, saying, “Who then can be saved?”

²⁶ But Jesus looked at them and said, “**With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.**”

²⁷ Then Peter said to Him, “See, we have left everything and followed You. What then will we have?”

²⁸ And Jesus said to them, “**Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of Man will sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.**

²⁹ **And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for My name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life.** ³⁰ **But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.**”

Pastor: This too is the Word of God for you, the people of God!

People: Thanks be to God!

MESSAGE

Rev. Dr. Scotty J. Williams

† WORSHIP IN GIVING

If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give, but if you choose to give we thank you and pray that you are blessed.

† DOXOLOGY *words by Thomas Ken, 1674; music by Louis Bourgeois, 1551*

Praise God, from whom all bless-ings flow; praise *him, all crea-tures
here be - low; praise *him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise
Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

† INVITATION TO THANKSGIVING (Eucharist)

Pastor: In the ancient Church a greeting was given at the breaking of bread, and like those before us I greet you with the joy of God. Friends, the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: Let us pray...It is our duty and delight that we should
(Chant) everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to You, O God, through Jesus Christ, Who calls us to follow His way of humble service and love. And so with the Church on earth, all creation and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn....

† SANCTUS *words by Reginald Heber, 1826; music by John B. Dykes 1861*

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
All, Thy works shall praise Thy Name in earth, and sky, and sea;
Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and Might - y!
God in three Per - sons bless - ed Trin - i - ty.

+ WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND INSTRUCTION

Pastor: On the night He was betrayed our Lord Jesus took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, “Take this and eat of it; this is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me until I come again.”

And in the same way, after supper, He also took the cup, and said, “Take this and drink of it; this cup is the new covenant in my blood, poured out for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink of it, in remembrance of me.”

Gracious Father, we thank You for sending Your Son Jesus Christ, Who gave His life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send down Your Holy Spirit upon these Your gifts of bread and wine that they might be for us His body and His blood. Amen.

Friends, in the breaking of His body, Christ received our brokenness and gave us the blessings of heaven. Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of faith in Him.

ALL: Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!

Pastor: Behold the gifts of God for you, the people of God. Let us keep the feast!

DISTRIBUTION

We welcome all baptized Christians and those who wish to follow Jesus to come to the Table and receive Communion. We take the elements by *intinction* or dipping the bread into the cup, so once you receive the bread please hold on to it that you might dip it into the cup. To ensure that all can partake our bread is gluten-free, and we use grape juice.

+ SONG OF THANKSGIVING “Jesu, Jesu, Fill Us With Your Love”

words by Ghanaian hymn, 1969; music by Ghanaian Melody, 1982

[CHORUS]

*Jesu, Jesu, fill us with Your love,
Show us how to serve
The neighbors we have from You.*

Kneels at the feet of His friends,
Silently washes their feet,
Master Who acts as a slave to them.

[CHORUS]

Neighbors are rich and poor,
Varied in color and race,
Neighbors are near and far away.

[CHORUS]

These are the ones we should serve,
These are the ones we should love;
All are neighbors to us and You.

[CHORUS]

Loving puts us on our knees,
Willing to wash others feet;
This is the way we should live with You.

[CHORUS]

Kneel at the feet of our friends,
Silently washing their feet;
This is the way we should live with You.

[CHORUS]

† PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (in thanksgiving for Sulemana Adam)

Pastor: Brothers and Sisters, as we prepare to go our separate ways, let us give thanks for our brother Adam who is now in the presence of Christ our King. Lord in Your mercy.

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: For the peace of Adam's family in Ghana as they weep and mourn together, and for the days ahead when his absence is strong. For their unity and comfort as they remember and cherish him with faith, hope, and love. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: For the peace of Adam's friends as they weep and mourn together, and for the days ahead when they long for his voice. For their joy and comfort as they remember and cherish him with faith, hope, and love. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: For the peace of Adam's caregivers as they care for others, and for the days ahead when they recall his face. For their strength and comfort as they remember and cherish him with faith, hope, and love. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

Pastor: And for the peace of the Churches where Adam worshipped and served with others every Sunday (the Catholic Church of Mörschwil, the Reformed Church of Mörschwil, All Souls Protestant Church, and the Mustard Seed Chapel International), and for the days ahead when we shall all speak of his name. For our hope and comfort as we remember and cherish him with faith, hope, and love. Lord in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

† PRAYER OF COMMENDATION

Pastor: O Christ our King, we have prayed together for the loved ones of our brother Adam and for ourselves. Though there is sadness in his parting from this life, we take comfort in the hope that we shall see him again and enjoy his friendship in the life everlasting. Therefore, we commend him unto You, Who will come again with clouds descending, and we place ourselves into loving Your hands which carry us with justice, peace, and perfect joy. We ask all this in Your great name; You Who live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, as one God, both now and forever.

ALL: Amen.

† SONG OF SENDING "Lo! He Comes With Clouds Descending"

words by Charles Wesley, 1758; music by Thomas Olivers, 1763

1. Lo! he comes with clouds de - scend - ing, once for fa - vored
 2. To his love and sav - ing Pas - sion all our hap - pi -
 3. Yea, A - men! let all a - dore thee, high on thine e -

1. sin - ners slain; thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing
 2. ness we owe, par - don, ho - li - ness, sal - va - tion,
 3. ter - nal throne: Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,

1. swell the tri - umph of his train. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -
 2. heav'n a - bove and heav'n be - low. Grace and glo - ry, grace and
 3. claim the king - dom for thine own. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

All
 1. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! God ap - pears, on earth to reign.
 2. glo - ry, grace and glo - ry from that o - pen foun - tain flow.
 3. lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

† BENEDICTION

Gaelic Blessing

Pastor: May God the Father, Who made the waves to run,
 the air to flow, the earth to be still, and the stars to shine,
 give you the deep peace of God the Son.
 Jesus Christ, the Light of the world,
 Who lives and reigns in all of us
 Through God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

† CONGREGATIONAL AMEN

Threefold (Danish) Amen

A - men. A - men. A - men.

POSTLUDE

“Jesu, Jesus, Fill Us With Your Love”