

November 20, 2022 Liturgy – Christ the King Sunday

GOD GATHERS US FOR WORSHIP

God's Welcome & Call to Worship

(Psalm 47:6-7) Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises.
For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise.

God is calling us. To worship. To sing and celebrate God's creative majesty. To say it out loud: God is king of all. God loves us like no other. Our whole being can praise the King of Heaven.

Songs of Praise and Worship:

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven (Psalm 103) (LUYH 571)

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour to his people in distress.
Praise him, still the same as ever, slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Alleluia, alleluia! Glorious in his faithfulness!

Father-like he tends and spares us; well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us, rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia! Widely yet his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him; you behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace!

Here I Am to Worship (LUYH 567)

Light of the world, you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore you, hope of a life spent with you.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth you created, all for love's sake became poor.

Refrain:

***Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down; here I am to say that you're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, altogether wonderful to me.***

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross.
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Refrain

Scripture

(1 Peter 3:18) For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit.

Song:

Before the Throne of God Above (LUYH 682)

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea,
a great High Priest whose name is Love, who ever lives and pleads for me.

My name is graven on his hands, my name is written on his heart;
I know that while in heaven he stands no tongue can bid me thence depart,
no tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the guilt within,
upward I look and see him there who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Saviour died, my sinful soul is counted free;
for God the Just is satisfied to look on him and pardon me,
to look on him and pardon me.

Prayer of Confession

God, we see ourselves before your throne, asking your forgiveness for the other things we make into "kings" that we are tempted to kneel down to: money, prestige, gossip, self-righteousness, racial privilege... We beg your forgiveness, as we are broken and torn apart by our own doings and un-doings. Guide us to be your servants. Lead us to trust in you as the only king in our lives. Direct us by your sovereign power as we choose to follow your Son, through the power of your Holy Spirit. This we pray in Jesus' name and for your kingdom's sake. Amen.

Song:

Before the Throne of God Above (LUYH 682)

Behold him there! The risen Lamb, my perfect, spotless righteousness;
the great unchangeable "I AM," the King of glory and of grace!
One with himself I cannot die, my soul is purchased by his blood;
my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ, my Saviour and my God,
with Christ, my Saviour and my God.

GOD GIVES US HIS WORD

Message: "I AM Your King"

Scripture: Isaiah 44:1-23

Song of Response:

You are My King (Amazing Love) (LUYH 360)

I'm forgiven because You were forsaken
I'm accepted - You were condemned
I'm alive and well - Your Spirit is within me
because You died and rose again

Chorus:

***Amazing love, how can it be that You my King would die for me
Amazing love, I know it's true. It's my joy to honour You
In all I do I honour You***

Repeat song

You are my King, You are my King
Jesus You are my King Jesus You are my King

Chorus

GOD SENDS US OUT TO SERVE

Membership

Prayers of the People

Offering: St. James Food Bank

Benediction

Benediction Song:

Lord Whose Love in Humble Service (LUYH 928)

Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed,
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart,
consecrating to your purpose every gift that you impart.

Called through worship to your service, forth in your dear name we go,
to the child, the youth, the aged, love in living deeds to show.
Hope and health, goodwill and comfort, counsel, aid, and peace we give,
that your servants, Lord, in freedom may your mercy know, and live.