

November 22, 2020 Christ the King Sunday *standing as able

Life at Grace Announcements

Opening Voluntary

"Revelations" Grace Notes Sunday Ensemble

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* Call to Worship (responsive)

from Prayers and Thoughts of Chinese Christians

Thank the Lord for saving us and calling us.

Thank the Lord that in the midst of difficult times, we are still alive.

Thank the Lord for bestowing upon us all kinds of spiritual blessings.

Thank the Lord for bestowing upon us hope and trust in him.

Thank the Lord for bestowing upon us comfort and joy.

Thank the Lord for bestowing upon us the strength to endure hardship.

Thank the Lord that he has not treated us according to our sins.

Thank the Lord for his promise to bestow on us a heavenly, eternal home, a kingdom that can never be shaken, and incomparable, everlasting glory.

Let us worship the King of Kings and Lord of Lords!

* Hymn 268

"Crown Him With Many Crowns"

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1 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.

2 Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright

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

4 Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time; creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me; thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Prayer of Confession and Silent Confession

Almighty God, we believe that Jesus was born, lived, died, and rose again. He ascended to sit at your right hand, to rule with you in heaven until his final return to earth. We humbly confess that, while we know the story and even believe it, we do not allow it to make much difference in our lives. We still fail to value each other's lives. We still dread death as if we did not have the promise of life beyond this life. We still do not know how to respond rightly to the assurance of his ultimate return at the end of time. Enable us today, O God, to reflect more deeply on the sacred story, that our discipleship may be enhanced and that our service to him may become more useful and effective, in the name of the risen and reigning Savior we pray.

Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:31, 32

If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Believe the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Hallelujah! Amen.

* **Response (Hymn 263)** "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"

CORONATION

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall; We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all! We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all!

* Passing the Peace of Christ (responsive)

The peace of Christ be with you! And also with you!

Gospel Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Gospel Reading Luke 23:32-43

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Message

"A Different Kind of King"

Hymn 227

"Jesus Remember Me"

REMEMBER ME

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

* Affirmation of Faith (responsive)

Philippians 2:5-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God that Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

Pastoral Prayer & 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.

Time of Commitment

Tithes & Offerings

"Take Heart"

by Matthew West

Verse 1

Woke up this morning and life as you know it Looks nothing like the kind of life you've ever known before All of a sudden, fear stole the headlines It don't feel safe to even step outside your door

Pre-Chorus In this world you will have trouble But I have overcome the world

Chorus

Take heart, take a breath
Let me lift that heavy weight up off your chest
Take my hand, I know it's looking dark
When the world falls all around You I won't let you fall apart
Take heart

Verse 2

Do you remember singing back when you were younger He's got the whole world in his hands well that's still true

Pre-Chorus

I hold your family all your friends and all your loved ones And when you're barely holding on I'm holding on to you

Bridge

In this world you will have trouble but I have overcome the world

- * Doxology
- * Prayer of Dedication
- * Hymn 643

"Now Thank We All Our God"

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1 Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices; who, from our mothers' arms, hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us; and keep us in God's grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven, to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given: the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore, the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.

* Benediction

Closing Voluntary

"Come, Ye Thankful People, Come"

Participating in Worship

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Poinsettias

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- Seeking unity as we follow Christ,
- Loving and supporting each other,
- Learning and growing together, and
- Serving those in need in Plano and the world.



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