

Then Job arose and tore his robe and shaved his head and fell on the ground and worshiped. And he said, "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; blessed be the name of the Lord."

In all this Job did not sin or charge God with wrong. -Job 1:20-22

February 12, 2023 Morning Worship Service

Christ The King Presbyterian Church is a Congregation of the **Presbyterian Church in America**

Morning Worship Service (10:30 am)

Welcome and Announcements

If you are a visitor with us this morning, we warmly welcome you to this worship service of Christ the King Presbyterian Church. Please take a moment to fill out a welcome card located in the back of the sanctuary.

Prelude

*Call to Worship

The Lord is my strength and my song; he has become my salvation.

¹⁵ Glad songs of salvation are in the tents of the righteous:

"The right hand of the Lord does valiantly,

- the right hand of the Lord exalts, the right hand of the Lord does valiantly!"
- ¹⁷ I shall not die, but I shall live, and recount the deeds of the Lord.
- ¹⁸ The Lord has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death.
- ¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord.
- ²⁰ This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it.
- ²¹ I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation.
- ²² The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.
- ²³ This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

*Praise to Our Triune God

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! Amen.

*Invocation

Psalm 118:14-24

*Hymn of Praise # 6

O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord

Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger, and abounding in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Let your word abide with us until it has worked in us your holy will. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin (Silent)

Promise of Forgiveness

Psalm 130:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

New Testament Reading

Hebrews 12:1-14

(Page 1008 in blue Bible)

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ² looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³ Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted. ⁴ In your struggle against sin you have not yet resisted to the point of shedding your blood. ⁵ And have you forgotten the exhortation that addresses you as sons?

"My son, do not regard lightly the discipline of the Lord, nor be weary when reproved by him.

6 For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives."

⁷ It is for discipline that you have to endure. God is treating you as sons. For what son is there whom his father does not discipline? ⁸ If you are left without discipline, in which all have participated, then you are illegitimate children and not sons. ⁹ Besides this, we have had earthly fathers who disciplined us and we respected them. Shall we not much more be subject to the Father of spirits and live? ¹⁰ For they disciplined us for a short time as it seemed best to them, but he disciplines us for our good, that we may share his holiness. ¹¹ For the moment all discipline seems painful rather than pleasant, but later it yields the peaceful fruit of righteousness to those who have been trained by it.

¹² Therefore lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, ¹³ and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint but rather be healed. ¹⁴ Strive for peace with everyone, and for the holiness without which no one will see the Lord.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

*Hymn # 128 God Moves in a Mysterious Way

*Affirmation of Faith

Westminster Shorter Catechism
Ouestions 17-20

Q. Into what estate did the fall bring mankind?

A. The fall brought mankind into an estate of sin and misery.

Q. Wherein consists the sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. The sinfulness of that estate whereinto man fell, consists in the guilt of Adam's first sin, the want of original righteousness, and the corruption of

his whole nature, which is commonly called *original sin*; together with all actual transgressions which proceed from it.

Q. What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?

A. All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all miseries in this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell for ever.

Q. Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery? A. God having, out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life did enter into a covenant of grace, to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

Prayer for the Church and the World

The Collection

Sermon Text

2 Samuel 12:9-25

(Page 263 in blue Bible)

Why have you despised the word of the Lord, to do what is evil in his sight? You have struck down Uriah the Hittite with the sword and have taken his wife to be your wife and have killed him with the sword of the Ammonites. ¹⁰ Now therefore the sword shall never depart from your house, because you have despised me and have taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be your wife.' ¹¹ Thus says the Lord, 'Behold, I will raise up evil against you out of your own house. And I will take your wives before your eyes and give them to your neighbor, and he shall lie with your wives in the sight of this sun. ¹² For you did it secretly, but I will do this thing before all Israel and before the sun.'" ¹³ David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." And Nathan said to David, "The Lord also has put away your sin; you shall not die. ¹⁴ Nevertheless, because by this deed you have utterly scorned the Lord, the child who is born to you shall die." ¹⁵ Then Nathan went to his house.

And the Lord afflicted the child that Uriah's wife bore to David, and he became sick. ¹⁶ David therefore sought God on behalf of the child. And David fasted and went in and lay all night on the ground. ¹⁷ And the elders of his house stood beside him, to raise him from the ground, but he would not, nor did he eat food with them. ¹⁸ On the seventh day the child died. And the

servants of David were afraid to tell him that the child was dead, for they said, "Behold, while the child was yet alive, we spoke to him, and he did not listen to us. How then can we say to him the child is dead? He may do himself some harm." 19 But when David saw that his servants were whispering together, David understood that the child was dead. And David said to his servants, "Is the child dead?" They said, "He is dead." 20 Then David arose from the earth and washed and anointed himself and changed his clothes. And he went into the house of the Lord and worshiped. He then went to his own house. And when he asked, they set food before him, and he ate. 21 Then his servants said to him, "What is this thing that you have done? You fasted and wept for the child while he was alive; but when the child died, you arose and ate food." 22 He said, "While the child was still alive, I fasted and wept, for I said, 'Who knows whether the Lord will be gracious to me, that the child may live?' 23 But now he is dead. Why should I fast? Can I bring him back again? I shall go to him, but he will not return to me."

²⁴ Then David comforted his wife, Bathsheba, and went in to her and lay with her, and she bore a son, and he called his name Solomon. And the Lord loved him ²⁵ and sent a message by Nathan the prophet. So he called his name Jedidiah, because of the Lord.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Eric Huber

Disciplined Severely

*Hymn # 689

Be Still My Soul

*Benediction

1 Peter 5:10-11,14

And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen. Peace to all of you who are in Christ.

*Postlude

Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter 10, Of Effectual Calling, Section III

Elect infants, dying in infancy, are regenerated, and saved by Christ, through the Spirit, who worketh when, and where, and how he pleaseth: so also are all other elect persons who are uncapable of being outwardly called by the ministry of the Word.

The Canons of Dordt, Article 17 (from the first main point of doctrine)

The Salvation of the Infants of Believers

Since we must make judgments about God's will from his Word, which testifies that the children of believers are holy, not by nature but by virtue of the gracious covenant in which they together with their parents are included, godly parents ought not to doubt the election and salvation of their children whom God calls out of this life in infancy.

Announcements

Assisting in worship this morning: Mr. Blake Franze

Congregational Meeting for Budget Presentation: The session is pleased to call for a congregational meeting today, Sunday, February 12 following our morning worship service. The purpose of this meeting is to present the proposed 2023 budget. Hard copies of the introductory letter and 2023 budget are available in the back of the sanctuary at the welcome center.

Church Officer Nominations: From now until March 5th we will be collecting nominations for church officers. Nomination forms will be located in the back of the sanctuary. Completed forms may be handed in or emailed to an elder.

Turkey and Syria Earthquake Relief: The Presbyterian Church in America provides disaster relief through MTW's Compassion fund to help show God's love in tangible ways to those affected by the devastating earthquake. Information on the current catastrophe, and donation instructions can be found at mtw.org/the-compassion-fund.

This winter we will once again be hosting an "Introducing CTK" class. This class is for anyone who would like to consider membership at Christ the King or simply to learn more about what the church believes. If you would like to participate, or for more information, please contact Pastor Eric Huber (erich@christthekingpca.org) or office manager Rebecca Kirkland (rebeccak@christthekingpca.org). Once we have compiled a list of potential participants, we will determine the most convenient dates and time.

The Saturday Morning Women's Bible Study will be meeting on February 18th from 9:30 – 11:00 am at the home of Lauren Huber. We are studying the book 'Gentle and Lowly' by Dane Ortlund. All women in the church are welcome to join in the study. However, no babysitting is provided. If you have any questions, please call Charlotte Schmucker at 610-551-0758.

Men's Book Study: The men in the church continue our study of Sinclair Ferguson's *The Whole Christ*. We are meeting at the Huber's on Saturday, February 18th, from 8:00-9:15. Breakfast provided. We will consider *Chapter 9, The Marrow of Assurance*.

The deacons are excited to announce that the kitchen renovations have begun. Due to the construction, several of our usual fellowship activities will not be taking place. Please be on a look out for announcements regarding changes to the monthly schedule of events. The adult Sunday School class will meet in the sanctuary during this time.

Crates for Ukraine Winter Edition

Since partnering with Mission to the World (MTW) and the MTW Ukraine team to fly over six crates of aid last summer, the deacons have prayerfully looked for additional ways to support the church in Ukraine. We were excited when MTW opened up a winter edition of the Crates for Ukraine initiative. MTW has asked for churches and groups to collect, pack and deliver aid to Chattanooga or Dallas. It will then be shipped to the Crisis Response Team in Lviv and then distributed through the network of presbyterian reformed churches in Ukraine.

This time, we are partnering with Springton Lake Presbyterian Church and additional churches in the presbytery to pack as many crates as possible. Over the next couple of weeks, there will be several ways that you can participate.

- **1. Pray** Continue to pray for the church in Ukraine, the Crates for Ukraine work and our brother's and sister's in Christ.
- **2.** Purchase Supplies and Bring Them Into the Church MTW has specifically identified a list of requested supplies. Please see the church website for instructions on what supplies to purchase. The final day to bring them in is February 19.

This Week: Christ the King Presbyterian Church

Sunday, February 12th

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching

12:00 pm - Children's Music Classes

12:00 pm – Congregational Meeting

6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service, Mr. Andrew Becham preaching

Thursday, February 16th

7:00 pm – Session Meeting

Saturday, February 18th

8:00 am – Men's Book Study

9:30 am – Women's Bible Study

Sunday, February 19th

9:30 am – Sunday School

10:30 am – Morning Worship Service, Rev. Eric Huber preaching -Lord's Supper

12:00 pm – Children's Music Classes

6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service, Mr. Robert Cone preaching

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