



Christ the King
Presbyterian Church

walking the ancient paths together

Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

- Romans 5:9-11

May 21, 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

Isaiah 12:1-6

You will say in that day:

"I will give thanks to you, O Lord,
for though you were angry with me,
your anger turned away,
that you might comfort me.

²"Behold, God is my salvation;
I will trust, and will not be afraid;
for the Lord God is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation."

³With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation. ⁴And you will say in that day:

"Give thanks to the Lord,
call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

⁵"Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth.

⁶Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,
for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel."

*Praise to Our Triune God

The Doxology

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Praise Him above ye heav'nly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Alleluia, alleluia!*

*Invocation

*Hymn of Praise # 455

And Can It Be That I Should Gain

Confession of Sin

O Lord God, forgive us for serving you in sinful ways; for finding glory in our own strength and abilities, for delighting in the praise of others, for trusting in the power and wisdom of man rather than in you. Lord, we know that what makes every sin so evil is the fact that it arises from contempt of your person, from having little regard for you and your glory, from preferring the things of this world over you. Forgive the sinful desires of our hearts. Renew our love for you. Grant to us a faith that works through love. Glorify yourself through us. In the name of Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin (Silent)

Promise of Forgiveness

1 Peter 2:24-25

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

First Reading

2 Samuel 24:1-10
(Page 277 in blue Bible)

Again the anger of the Lord was kindled against Israel, and he incited David against them, saying, "Go, number Israel and Judah." ²So the king said to Joab, the commander of the army, who was with him, "Go through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan to Beersheba, and number the people, that I may know the number of the people." ³But Joab said to the king, "May the Lord your God add to the people a hundred times as many as they are, while the eyes of my lord the king still see it, but why does my lord the king delight in this thing?" ⁴But the king's word prevailed against Joab and the commanders of the army. So Joab and the commanders of the army went out from the presence of the king to number the people of Israel. ⁵They crossed the Jordan and began from Aroer, and from the city that is in the middle of the valley, toward Gad and on to Jazer. ⁶Then they came to Gilead, and to Kadesh in the land of the Hittites; and they came to Dan, and from Dan they went around to Sidon, ⁷and came to the fortress of Tyre and to all the cities of the Hivites and Canaanites; and they went out to the Negeb of Judah at Beersheba. ⁸So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at the end of nine months and twenty days. ⁹And Joab gave the sum of the numbering of the people to the king: in Israel there were 800,000 valiant men who drew the sword, and the men of Judah were 500,000.

¹⁰ But David's heart struck him after he had numbered the people. And David said to the Lord, "I have sinned greatly in what I have done. But now, O Lord, please take away the iniquity of your servant, for I have done very foolishly."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

***Hymn # 490**

*Out of the Deep I Call
to the tune of "Breathe on Me, Breath of God"*

*Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism
Questions 1 and 2

Q. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong— body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Q. What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

A. Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.

Prayer for the Church and the World and 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.**

The Collection

Sermon Text

2 Samuel 24:11-25
(Page 277 in blue Bible)

¹¹ And when David arose in the morning, the word of the Lord came to the prophet Gad, David's seer, saying, ¹² "Go and say to David, 'Thus says the Lord, Three things I offer you. Choose one of them, that I may do it to you.'" ¹³ So Gad came to David and told him, and said to him, "Shall three years of famine come to you in your land? Or will you flee three months before your foes while they pursue you? Or shall there be three days' pestilence in your land? Now consider, and decide what answer I shall return

to him who sent me." ¹⁴ Then David said to Gad, "I am in great distress. Let us fall into the hand of the Lord, for his mercy is great; but let me not fall into the hand of man."

¹⁵ So the Lord sent a pestilence on Israel from the morning until the appointed time. And there died of the people from Dan to Beersheba 70,000 men. ¹⁶ And when the angel stretched out his hand toward Jerusalem to destroy it, the Lord relented from the calamity and said to the angel who was working destruction among the people, "It is enough; now stay your hand." And the angel of the Lord was by the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite. ¹⁷ Then David spoke to the Lord when he saw the angel who was striking the people, and said, "Behold, I have sinned, and I have done wickedly. But these sheep, what have they done? Please let your hand be against me and against my father's house."

¹⁸ And Gad came that day to David and said to him, "Go up, raise an altar to the Lord on the threshing floor of Araunah the Jebusite." ¹⁹ So David went up at Gad's word, as the Lord commanded. ²⁰ And when Araunah looked down, he saw the king and his servants coming on toward him. And Araunah went out and paid homage to the king with his face to the ground. ²¹ And Araunah said, "Why has my lord the king come to his servant?" David said, "To buy the threshing floor from you, in order to build an altar to the Lord, that the plague may be averted from the people." ²² Then Araunah said to David, "Let my lord the king take and offer up what seems good to him. Here are the oxen for the burnt offering and the threshing sledges and the yokes of the oxen for the wood." ²³ All this, O king, Araunah gives to the king." And Araunah said to the king, "May the Lord your God accept you." ²⁴ But the king said to Araunah, "No, but I will buy it from you for a price. I will not offer burnt offerings to the Lord my God that cost me nothing." So David bought the threshing floor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver. ²⁵ And David built there an altar to the Lord and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the Lord responded to the plea for the land, and the plague was averted from Israel.

Preaching of the Word

Rev. Eric Huber

The Full Price

*Hymn # 305

Arise, My Soul, Arise

*Benediction

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*Postlude

Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter III, Of God's Eternal Decree

God from all eternity did by the most wise and holy counsel of His own will, freely and unchangeably ordain whatsoever comes to pass; yet so as thereby neither is God the author of sin; nor is violence offered to the will of the creatures, nor is the liberty or contingency of second causes taken away, but rather established.

Westminster Confession of Faith Chapter V, Of Providence

The almighty power, unsearchable wisdom, and infinite goodness of God, so far manifest themselves in His providence, that it extendeth itself even to the first fall, and all other sins of angels and men, and that not by a bare permission, but such as hath joined with it a most wise and powerful bounding, and otherwise ordering and governing of them, in a manifold dispensation, to His own holy ends; yet so, as the sinfulness thereof proceedeth only from the creature, and not from God; who being most holy and righteous, neither is nor can be the author or approver of sin.

Announcements

Assisting in worship this morning: Mr. Nicolas Kirkland

There will not be evening service on Sunday, May 28th, Memorial Day weekend.

Reminder: The Conshohocken Arts Festival and Car Show will be held June 3 from 11-4. For the past several years CTK has participated with an Open House and Art Show. If you would like to be involved, please contact Dana McGahey.



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This Week: Christ the King Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 21st

9:30 am – Sunday School

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

6:00 pm – Evening Worship Service, Mr. Robert Cone preaching
-Lord's Supper

Thursday, May 25th

7:00 pm – Joint Session and Diaconate meeting

Sunday, May 28th

9:30 am – Sunday School

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

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