

# Lord's Day Service



*At Church of the King on March 26th, 2023*

*The 12th Sunday after Epiphany*

*"How sweet are Your words to my taste, Sweeter than honey to my mouth!" Psalms 119:103*

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## *Call to Worship: Where God Calls Us Into His Presence*

*"That you may know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints," Ephesians 1:18b*

### **Hear Today's Call to Worship From God's Word:** [congregation standing]

*Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen. Galatians 1:3-5* **Come Worship the Triune God, Creator & Savior of the World!**

### **God's People Respond With a Hymn of Adoration:** [based on Psalm 145:10]

<b>O worship the King all glorious above,</b>	<b>O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,</b>
<b>O gratefully sing his power and His love.</b>	<b>Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space.</b>
<b>Our shield and defender, the ancient of days,</b>	<b>His chariot of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,</b>
<b>Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.</b>	<b>And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.</b>

### **Salutation and Response:** [based on Matthew 28:19, Ruth 2:4 and Galatians 2:20]

*In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit*

**Amen!**

*Jehovah be with you!*

**And also with you!**

*I have been crucified with Christ;*

**It is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me;**

*And the life which I now live in the flesh*

**I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.**

# Confession of Sins: Where God Cleanses Us In Christ

"I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love," Ephesians 4:1,2

## The Call For Confession From God's Word:

"Is the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not! For if there had been a law given which could have given life, truly righteousness would have been by the law. But the Scripture has confined all under sin, that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe." Galatians 3:21-22

## God's People Sing Our Hymn of Confession:      2 pages    [congregation standing]

# The Singing of Psalm 51; verses 1-10

EVENING HYMN (S.M.)  
Elisha West, 1802

Tate and Brady  
A New Version of the Psalms of David, 1696

1. 1Have mer - cy, God, on me, As Thou wert ev - er kind;  
2. 2Wash off my foul of - fense, And cleanse me from my sin;

Melody

(Soprano) Let  
3For

(Alto) Let me, op - pressed with  
3For I con - fess my

(Tenor) Let me, op - pressed with loads of guilt, Thy  
3For I con - fess my crime, and see How

(Bass) Let me, op - pressed with loads of guilt, Thy wont - ed mer - cy  
3For I con - fess my crime, and see How great my guilt has

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3For I con - fess my crime, and see

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 How great my guilt has been.

loads of guilt, Thy wont - ed mer - cy find.  
 crime, and see How great my guilt has been.

Thy wont - ed mer - cy find.  
 How great my guilt has been.

3. 4A•gainst Thee, Lord, a•lone,  
 And on•ly in Thy sight,  
 Have I trans•gressed, and, though con•  
 demned  
 Must own Thy judg•ment right.

6. 7With hys•sop purge me, Lord,  
 And so I clean shall be;  
 I shall with snow in white•ness vie,  
 When pur•i•fied by Thee.

4. 5In guilt each part was formed  
 Of all this sin•ful frame;  
 In guilt I was con•ceived, and born  
 The heir of sin and shame.

7. 8Make me to hear with joy  
 Thy kind for•giv•ing voice;  
 That so the bones which Thou hast broke  
 May with fresh strength re•joice.

5. 6Yet Thou, whose search•ing eye  
 Doth in•ward truth re•quire,  
 In sec•ret did with wis•dom's laws  
 My ten•der soul in•spire.

8. 9Blot out my cry•ing sins,  
 Nor me in an•ger view;  
 10Cre•ate in me a heart that's clean;  
 An up•right mind re•new.

### Silent Confession:

*"Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God." Romans 8:26-27*  
 Those who are willing and able are invited to kneel for our time of confession.

## Corporate Prayer of Confession:

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God Almighty who was and is and is to come. In your merciful presence we confess that we have broken your Law, both in what we have done and what we have left undone. We confess that these trespasses, apart from your Grace, result in our impurity, and also make us liable to receive your just punishments. We confess our sins and ask that you wash us from our impurities through the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ. We acknowledge our iniquities, and ask that you shield us from punishment through the atoning death of our Savior. From our violations of your just Law, forgive us through the perfect obedience of our Lord, and empower us to love mercy, do justice and walk humbly with You. Finally, we ask you to receive our praise and worship, for we speak in the blessed name of Jesus, and seek the visible manifestation of His Kingdom on earth. Amen.

## Arise and Receive the Assurance of Pardon & Forgiveness

“For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you *are* Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.” Galatians 3:26-29

Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for our sins and to be raised for our justification; and for His sake forgives us all our sins. This I declare in the name and authority of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Having confessed our sins with faith in the completed work of Christ on our behalf, we are forgiven; we have been cleansed and clothed in the righteousness of Jesus. And not only that, we are now **in Christ** and **in Him** we are in the heavenly places, in the very midst of the blessed Trinity with the Saints of all the ages, from every tongue, tribe and nation prepared to worship in the beauty of holiness. **Come, let us worship the Lord!**

## Come Bless the Father:

Come bless the Fath - er, all you ser - vants of the Son, who stand by the Spir - it in the House of the Lord. Lift up your hands to the Ho - ly Place and bless your God. May the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ bless you from Zi - on, He Who made hea - ven and earth. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Lift up your hearts!**

We lift them up un - to the Lord!

### **Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God!**

It is pro - per and right to do so.

Truly it is proper and right that we should at all times and in all places give praise to you O Lord, so with the angels and all the company of heaven and with the Church on earth, we praise and magnify your glorious Name, evermore praising you & singing:

# God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks:

[congregation standing]

"Giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ," Ephesians 5:20

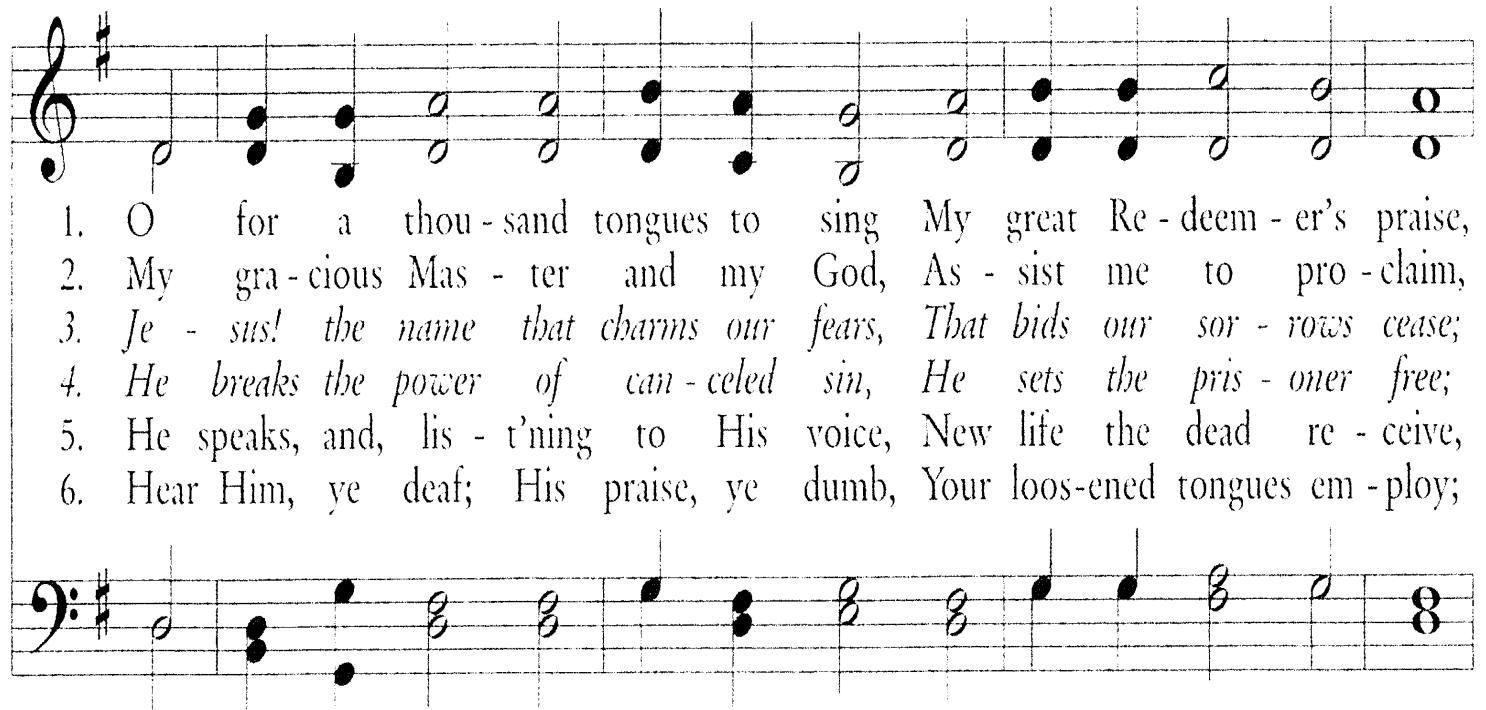
## O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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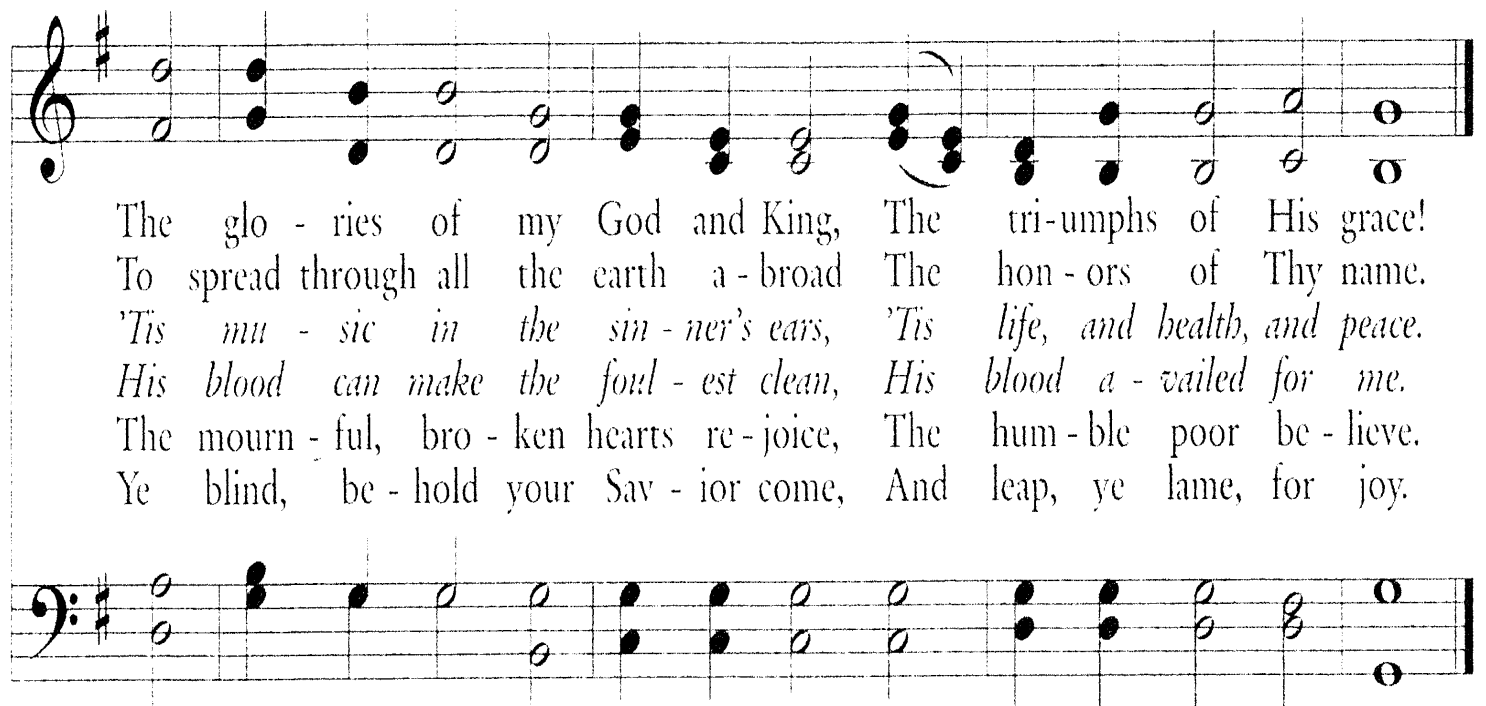
Charles Wesley, 1739, alt.

Carl Gottlieb Gläser, 1828

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1. O for a thou - sand tongues to sing My great Re - deem - er's praise,  
2. My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, As - sist me to pro - claim,  
3. Je - sus! the name that charms our fears, That bids our sor - rows cease;  
4. He breaks the power of can - celed sin, He sets the pris - oner free;  
5. He speaks, and, lis - t'ning to His voice, New life the dead re - ceive,  
6. Hear Him, ye deaf; His praise, ye dumb, Your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;



The glo - ries of my God and King, The tri - umphs of His grace!  
To spread through all the earth a - broad The hon - ors of Thy name.  
'Tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'Tis life, and health, and peace.  
His blood can make the foul - est clean, His blood a - vailed for me.  
The mourn - ful, bro - ken hearts re - joice, The hum - ble poor be - lieve.  
Ye blind, be - hold your Sav - ior come, And leap, ye lame, for joy.

# Consecration: Where God Equips & Prepares His People

*“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.” Galatians 5:22-25*

## Galatians 3:1-18 Justification by Faith vs the Law

[3:1] O foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you that you should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed among you as crucified?

**This only I want to learn from you: Did you receive the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? Are you so foolish? Having begun in the Spirit, are you now being made perfect by the flesh? Have you suffered so many things in vain—if indeed *it was* in vain?**

Therefore He who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you, *does He do it* by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith? —

**Just as Abraham “believed God, and it was accounted to him for righteousness.” Therefore know that *only* those who are of faith are sons of Abraham. And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel to Abraham beforehand, saying, “In you all the nations shall be blessed.” So then those who *are* of faith are blessed with believing Abraham.**

For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, “*Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them.*”

**But that no one is justified by the law in the sight of God is evident, for “*the just shall live by faith.*” Yet the law is not of faith, but “*the man who does them shall live by them.*” Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “*Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree*”), that the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.**

Brethren, I speak in the manner of men: Though *it is* only a man's covenant, yet *if it is* confirmed, no one annuls or adds to it.

**Now to Abraham and his Seed were the promises made. He does not say, “And to seeds,” as of many, but as of one, “*And to your Seed,*” who is Christ.**

And this I say, *that* the law, which was four hundred and thirty years later, cannot annul the covenant that was confirmed before by God in Christ, that it should make the promise of no effect.

**For if the inheritance *is* of the law, *it is* no longer of promise; but God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.**

# God's People Respond With a Hymn of Preparation:

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"And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, 19 speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord," Ephesians 5:18-19

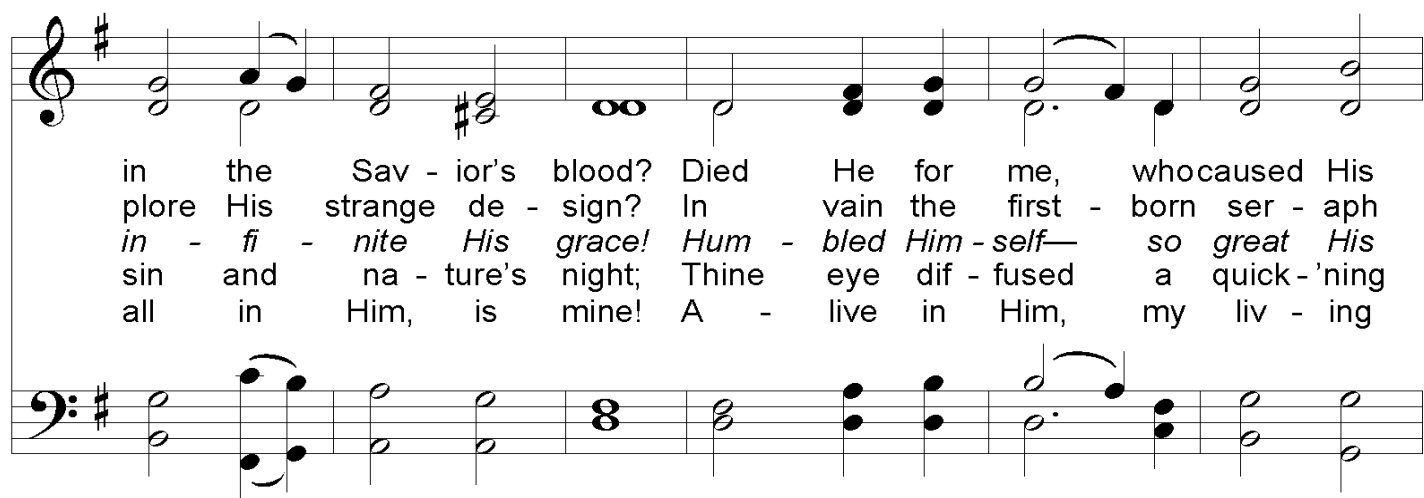
## And Can It Be That I Should Gain

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Thomas Campbell, 1825

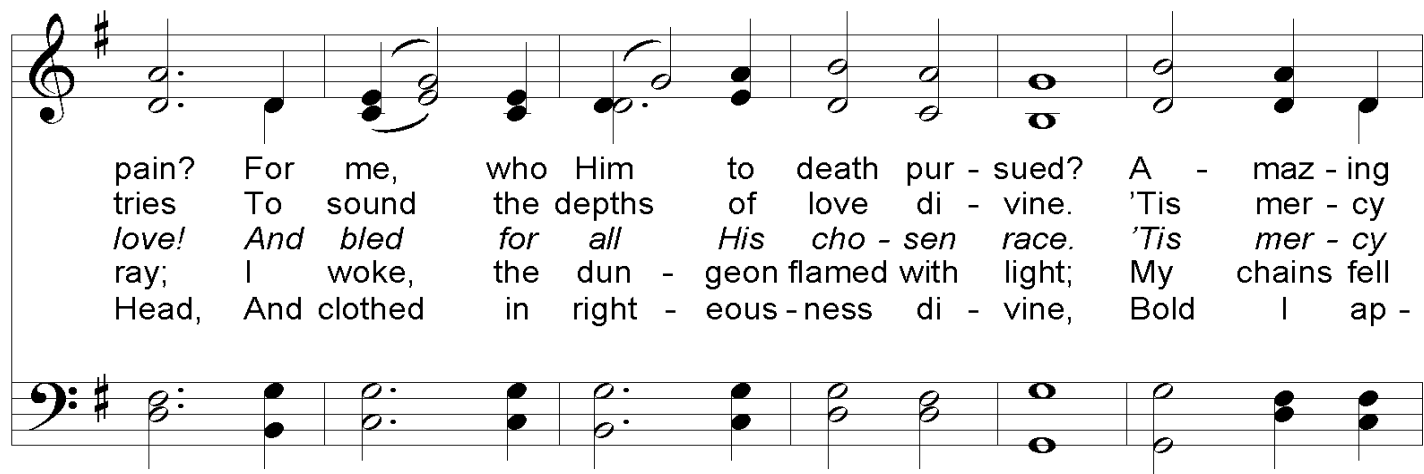
Charles Wesley, 1738; alt.



1. And can it be that I should gain An in - t'rest  
2. 'Tis mys - t'ry all! Th'Im - mor - tal dies: Who can ex -  
3. He left His Fa - ther's throne a - bove— So free, so  
4. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay Fast bound in  
5. No con - dem - na - tion now I dread; Je - sus, and



in the Sav - ior's blood? Died He for me, who caused His  
plore His strange de - sign? In vain the first - born ser - aph  
*in - fi - nite His grace! Hum - bled Him - self— so great His*  
sin and na - ture's night; Thine eye dif - fused a quick - 'ning  
all in Him, is mine! A - live in Him, my liv - ing



pain? For me, who Him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing  
tries To sound the depths of love di - vine. 'Tis mer - cy  
*love! And bled for all His cho - sen race. 'Tis mer - cy*  
ray; I woke, the dun - geon flamed with light; My chains fell  
Head, And clothed in right - eous - ness di - vine, Bold I ap -

# And Can It Be That I Should Gain

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love! How can it be That Thou, my God, shouldst  
all! Let earth a - dore, Let an - gel minds in -  
all, im - mense and free; For, O my God, it  
off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and  
proach th'e - ter - nal throne, And claim the crown, through



die for me? A - maz - ing love! How can it  
quire no more. A - maz - ing love! How  
found out me. A - maz - ing love! How  
fol - lowed Thee. A - maz - ing love! How  
Christ, my own.



be That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?  
can it be That Thou, my God,

**God Speaks to Us Through His Word:** Scripture, Prayer for Illumination, and Sermon

*"Blessed is the man whom You instruct, O Jehovah, and teach out of Your law." Psalm 94:12*

## "Christian Burial & Lamentation"

From Pastor John Stoos

Based on Acts 8:1-2 & Genesis 23:1-19

**God's People Sing a Hymn of Response:** In Christ Alone [congregation standing]

# In Christ Alone

IN CHRIST ALONE (8 8. 8 8. D)  
Keith Getty and Stuart Townsend, 2001

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1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found; He is my light, my strength my song; This cor - ner -  
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less babel! This gift of  
3. There in the ground His bo - dy lay, light of the world by dark - ness slain. Then burst - ing  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first

stone, this so - lid ground firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of  
love and righteous - ness, scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that  
forth in glo - rious day, up from the grave He rose a - gain! And as He  
cry to fi - nal breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! my com - for -  
cross as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sa - tis - fied; for ev - ery  
stands in vic - to - ry sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am  
hell, no scheme of man, can e - ver pluck me from His hand; Till He re -

ter, my all in all, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
sin on Him was laid, here in the death of Christ I live.  
His and He is mine, bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.  
turns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

**The Heidelberg Catechism** – Holding forth faith in Jesus Christ as our only comfort in life and in death, we read responsively the weekly questions from the Heidelberg Catechism as a personal and eloquent reminder of what we must know to live and die in that comfort. Lord’s Day 13

33. Why is He called God’s “only begotten Son,” since we also are the children of God?

**Because Christ alone is the eternal, natural Son of God,[1] but we are children of God by adoption, through grace, for His sake.[2]** [1] Jn. 1:14, 18. [2] Rom. 8:15–17; Eph. 1:5–6; \*1 Jn. 3:1.

34. Why do you call Him “our Lord”?

**Because not with silver or gold, but with His precious blood, He has redeemed and purchased us, body and soul, from sin and from all the power of the devil, to be His own.[1]** [1] 1 Pet. 1:18–19; 2:9; 1 Cor. 6:20; 7:23; \*Acts 2:36; \*Tit. 2:14; \*Col. 1:14.

**God Receives our Tithes and Gifts as a Tribute Offering:** [read in unison]

**“For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not *use* liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, *even in this: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”***

Galatians 5:13-14

**With the singing of Psalm 30:11-12 & the Doxology**

*Words composed by Brenda Fisher*

<b>1: Oh Lord you have now turned for me, My grief into a dance to Thee. In sackcloth I’m no longer dressed; With gladness you have made me blessed.</b>	<b>2: I will sing praises from my soul; To not be silent is my goal. Oh Lord my God to You I raise, Thanks never ending; You I praise!</b>
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**3: Praise God from Whom all blessings flow,  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.**

**The Great Prayer, Concluding with the Lord’s Prayer**

*“Jehovah has heard my supplication; Jehovah will receive my prayer.” Psalm 6:9*

**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 the evil one,  
For Thine is the Kingdom, and the power and the glory forever: AMEN [Matthew 6:9-13]**

*Communion: Where God Communes With His People*

*“The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ?  
The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?” 1 Corinthians 10:16*

**Preparation for Communion**

Congregation of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord has prepared His table for all who love and trust Him for their salvation. All those who have repented of their sins, have been baptized in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and are not under discipline from Christ’s Church are welcome at this table. For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as our Lord our God will call.

# Our Confession of Faith - The Apostle's Creed [sung with music by Amber Bartels]

Piano

The image shows a piano accompaniment for the Apostle's Creed. It consists of ten systems of music, each with a treble and bass clef staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a steady accompaniment.

I be - lieve in God the Fa - ther Al - migh - ty, Ma - ker of hea - ven and earth;

8  
And in Je - sus Christ, His on - ly be - got - ten Son, our Lord, Who was con - ceived by the

16  
Ho - ly Spi - rit, born of the vir - gin - Ma - ry, Suf - fered un - der Pon - tius

25  
Pi - late, was dru - bi - fied, dead and bur - ied; He de - scend - ed in - to

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hell, the third day He rose a - gain from the dead; He as - cend - ed in - to

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heav - en, and sit - teth at the right hand of God the Fath - er Al - migh - ty; From

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thence He shall come to judge the liv - ing and the dead. I be - lieve in the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

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I be - lieve a ho - ly cath - olic Church, the com - mun - ion of saints, the for - give - ness of sins; the

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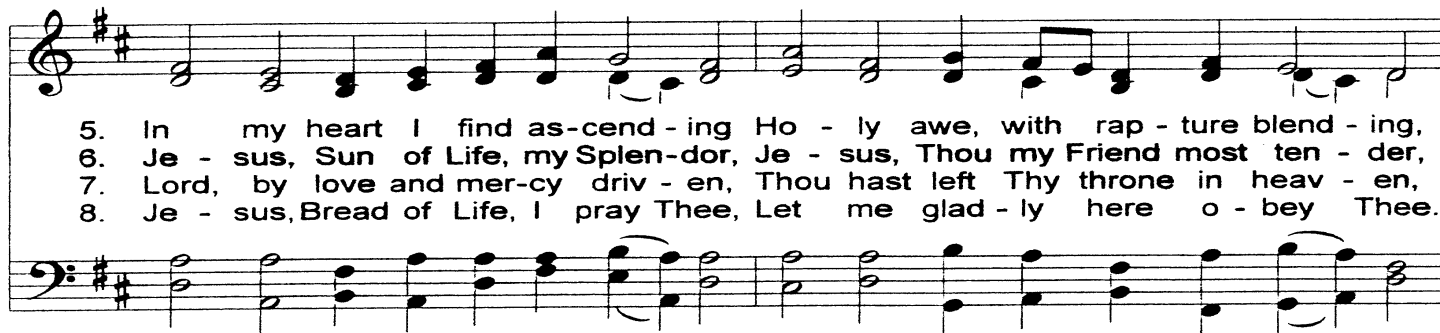
## **THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US AT HIS TABLE:** (Peace Offering, Gift of Life)

*A Word of Encouragement -- Giving of Thanks -- Breaking of the Bread*

### **God's People Sing a Hymn of Thanks and Celebration:**

(Sung as a representative of each family comes forward to receive their bread and wine)

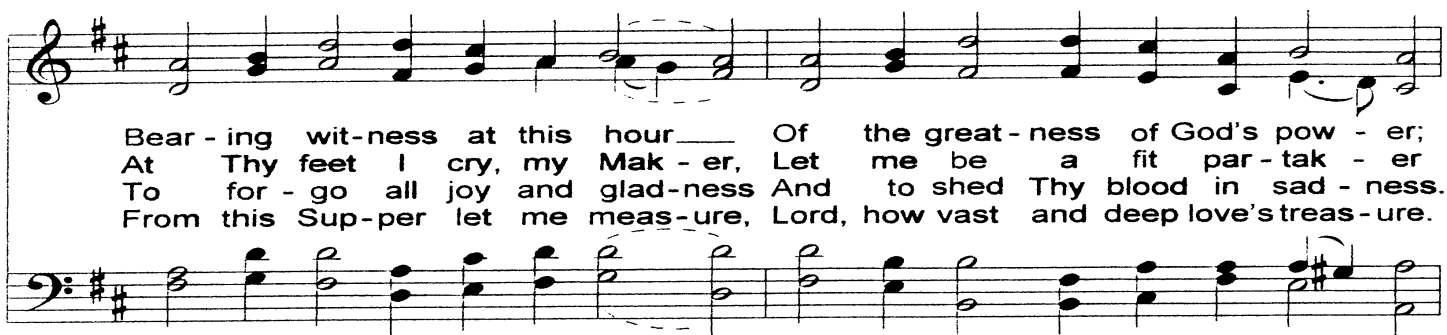
#### **Soul, Adorn Thyself with Gladness**



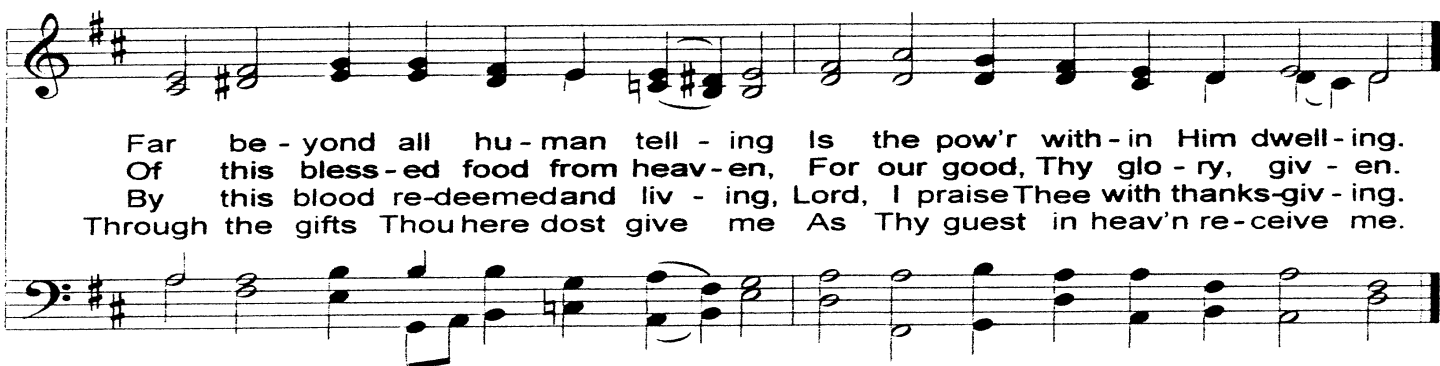
5. In my heart I find as-cend-ing Ho-ly awe, with rap-ture blend-ing,  
6. Je-sus, Sun of Life, my Splen-dor, Je-sus, Thou my Friend most ten-der,  
7. Lord, by love and mer-cy driv-en, Thou hast left Thy throne in heav-en,  
8. Je-sus, Bread of Life, I pray Thee, Let me glad-ly here o-bey Thee.



As this mys-te-ry I pon-der, Fill-ing all my soul with won-der,  
Je-sus, Joy of my de-sir-ing, Fount of Life, my soul in-spir-ing-  
On the cross for me to lan-guish And to die in bit-ter an-guish,  
By Thy love I am in-vit-ed, Be Thy love with love re-quit-ed;



Bear-ing wit-ness at this hour Of the great-ness of God's pow-er;  
At Thy feet I cry, my Mak-er, Let me be a fit par-tak-er  
To for-go all joy and glad-ness And to shed Thy blood in sad-ness.  
From this Sup-per let me meas-ure, Lord, how vast and deep love's treas-ure.



Far be-yond all hu-man tell-ing Is the pow'r with-in Him dwell-ing.  
Of this bless-ed food from heav-en, For our good, Thy glo-ry, giv-en.  
By this blood re-deemed and liv-ing, Lord, I praise Thee with thanks-giv-ing.  
Through the gifts Thou here dost give me As Thy guest in heav'n re-ceive me.

### **Feasting At The Lord's Table:** A simple act of obedience on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of a new Week

*Partaking of the bread together -- Giving Thanks -- Partaking of the Wine*

*"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes." 1 Corinthians 11:26*

# Commissioning: Where God Sends Out His People

"Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God. And the armies in heaven, clothed in fine linen, white and clean, followed Him on white horses. Now out of His mouth goes a sharp sword, that with it He should strike the nations. And He Himself will rule them with a rod of iron. He Himself treads the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And He has on His robe and on His thigh a name written: KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS." Revelation 19:11-16

## God's People Respond With Singing:

## Psalm 83

1. Do not be silent, God, or un-re- spond - ing, Do not re -  
 2. To - geth - er they con - spire in dead - ly ear - nest, a - gainst You  
 3. Treat them like Mid - i - an, like Ja - bin's ar - my. Treat them like  
 4. Like fire that burns the woods, like flames of light - ning, Pur - sue them

main at rest, O Might - y One For now Your foes a - rouse and make a  
 they have made a cov - e - nant The Ish - mae - lites are there, the tents of  
 Sis - e - ra at Ki - shon's brook. At En - dor they were all an - ni - hi -  
 with Your storms and strike with fear. Fill up their fac - es with hu - mil - i -

cla - mor, Your bit - ter en - e - mies lift up the head. A - gainst Your  
 E - dom, the men of Mo - ab with the Hag - a - renes. See Ge - bal,  
 la - ted, And they be - came as dung up - on the ground. Like O - reb  
 a - tion, And let them seek Your name, Je - ho - vah, then. Let them be

peo - ple now they plot in se - cret, They meet to work a - gainst  
 A - ma - lek, with men of Am - mon, Be - hold, Phil - i - sti - a,  
 make their chiefs, their lords like Ze - bah! Who thought they would pos - sess  
 ter - ri - fied and shamed for - ev - er, And let them be dis - mayed

Your hid - den ones; They say, "Let us go up, and end their  
 and them of Tyre For As - shur too has come and joins their  
 the land of God. My God, O make them be like whil - ing  
 and be de - stroyed. Let them know You a - lone - You are Je -

na - tion: the name of Is - ra - el shall be no more!"  
 for - ces; they are the pow - er of of the sons of Lot.  
 dust - clouds; Make them like bits of chaff be - fore the wind.  
 ho - vah - You are the One Most High o'er all the earth.

## God Blesses His People - The Benediction:

[congregation standing]

*Then Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them,  
and he came down from offering the sin offering and the burnt offering and the peace offerings. Leviticus 9:22*

**Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you peace always in every way. The Lord *be* with you all. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit. Amen.**

2 Thessalonians 3:16; Galatians 6:18

## God's People Depart to Serve the Risen & Reigning Savior by Singing:

### Simeon's Prayer & the Gloria Patri

Lord, now let-est Thou Thy ser- vant de- part in peace, ac- cord- ing to Thy Word:

For mine eyes have seen Thy sal-va- tion, Which Thou hast pre- pared be- fore the face of all peo- ple;

A light to light- ten the Gen- tiles, and the glo- ry of Thy peo- ple is - - - ra- el.

-- With Lifted Hands --

Glo- ry be to the Fa- ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho- ly Ghost;

as it was in the be- gin- ning, is now and ev- er shall be, world with- out end. A- men.

March 26th, 2023

# Church of the King

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~Worship begins promptly at 1:00 p.m. ~ Today's pulpit supply: Pastor John Stoos~

## PRAYER REQUESTS

- For all who claim the Name of Jesus, that we would live in a manner worthy of our calling, serving one another to the glory of God. May we be humble in all our interactions, having patience & bearing with one another in love, uniting in the bond of our Savior, worshipping Him in spirit & in truth, seeking His face in prayer, & faithfully studying His Word.
- For our expectant mothers, Marianne Poindexter, Alma Ryan, and Marie Choban, that their babies would continue to grow healthy & strong; for Baby Theodore Poindexter, who will need heart surgery soon after he is born, that the procedure would restore him to health & he would quickly recover & be able to be home with his family; & for renewed energy & strength for all of the mothers in our midst.
- For Jenna Magaziner as she begins her new job in South Korea: protection, good health, & Christian fellowship.
- For Pastor Jim West, who is nearing the end of his life, that God would grant him peace & relief from pain & suffering, and for his family, that they would be comforted as they anticipate this great loss, yet knowing the hope of the resurrection.
- For all who are dealing with illness, injury, other health issues, grief, or personal trials, that our Lord would grant patience, healing, wisdom, comfort, & trust in the perfect will of the One Who does all things well.
- For family members & friends who are under discipline, unsaved, or have strayed from the faith, that our Lord would bring them to repentance & restore them to the fellowship of Christ's church; & that we would boldly & lovingly proclaim the truth to them at every opportunity, standing strong in the Lord & in the power of His might.
- For churches who are in need of pastors, elders, & deacons, that our Lord would continue to raise up Godly men to lead these flocks, & for those men who are currently serving, that they may have strengthened faith & abundant wisdom as they minister to their congregations.
- For the saints throughout the world who are suffering & dying in the Name of Jesus, that they would find strength, comfort, & hope as they fully trust in God's goodness. And also for their persecutors, that their hearts would be softened to the Gospel.
- For President Biden, Vice President Harris, Governor Newsom, & all elected & appointed officials, that they would recognize their need to depend on God for knowledge, wisdom, & the courage to do what is right, reject all counsel that violates righteousness, & bring dignity, honor, trustworthiness, & integrity to their positions, remembering their accountability to Almighty God, Who is angry with the wicked every day.
- For the Church worldwide, that the Word of God would be faithfully preached, believed, & obeyed, & that His Name would be glorified as we seek to obey His Word & love our neighbors.

**Our fellowship lunch follows today's worship service. We welcome all to be our guests & to sing as we ask the Lord's blessing:**

Be present at our table Lord,  
Be here and everywhere adored.  
These mercies bless and grant that we  
May feast in Paradise with Thee.

We thank Thee Lord for this our food,  
For life and health and every good.  
By Thine own hand may we be fed,  
Give us this day our daily bread.

**Weekly Meetings (also detailed on our website):**

**Men's Fellowship Breakfast:**

~ Meets at 8:00am on Wednesdays at Denny's on Sunrise; reading A New Day of Small Beginnings by Pierre Courthial. Contact Pastor Stoos.

**Sacramento Area Bible Study:**

~ Meets at 7:00pm on Tuesdays at Richard Otterstad's. Contact Patrick Avanto.

**Grass Valley Area Book Study:**

~ Meets for potluck at 6:00pm, study starts at 7:00pm on Wednesdays at rotating locations; viewing The Holiness of God video series by R.C. Sproul. Contact John Pekarek.

**Ladies' Book Study:**

~ Meets at 9:00am on Saturdays at the Stoos home. Reading How To Be Free From Bitterness & Other Essays on Christian Relationships by Jim Wilson. Contact Linda Stoos.

**Vallejo Area Study:**

~ Meets at the Kendrick home every two weeks. Contact Damell Kendrick.

**Anniversary**

Phil & Cherie Smith ~ March 31st

**Hall Takedown Today**

Nathaniel Pettyjohn, Spencer Pettyjohn, Damell Kendrick, Jonathan Liberati, Sean VanNess

**Next Week's Playground Duty**

VanNess