

*Welcome
to Calvary*

Worship Guide for the week of

November 20, 2022

Christ the King Sunday

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The observance of Christ the King Sunday is a recent development in the history of the church, but the themes of this day reach all the way back to the Old Testament promises to King David that God would raise up a descendant of David and establish the throne of his kingdom forever (2 Samuel 7:12–16). On Christ the King Sunday, we reflect on the righteous reign and rule of Christ over all creation and look forward to the day when “every knee will bow and every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father” (Philippians 2:10–11).

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP HIM

Call to Worship

Worship Leader: Holy, holy, holy,
Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and
earth are full of Your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is
He that cometh in the name of the
Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

“Immortal Invisible (God Only Wise)”

[Hymn of Adoration]

Verse 1:

Immortal invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible
Hid from our eyes
Most blessed most glorious
The Ancient of Days
Almighty victorious
Thy great Name we praise

Verse 2:

Unresting unhasting
And silent as light
Nor wanting nor wasting
Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains
High soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains
Of goodness and love

Verse 3:

Great Father of glory
Pure Father of light
Thine angels adore Thee
All veiling their sight
All praise we would render
O help us to see
‘Tis only the splendor
Of light hideth Thee

**GOD GRACIOUSLY
RENEWS US IN CHRIST**

Confession of Sin

“The Stand”

Verse 1:

You stood before creation
Eternity in Your hand
You spoke the earth into motion
My soul now to stand

Verse 2:

You stood before my failure
And carried the cross for my shame
My sin weighed upon Your shoulders
My soul now to stand

Pre-chorus:

So what can I say
And what can I do
But offer this heart O God
Completely to You

Verse 3:

So I'll walk upon salvation
Your Spirit alive in me
My life to declare Your promise
My soul now to stand

Chorus:

So I'll stand with arms high
And heart abandoned
In awe of the One who gave it all
I'll stand my soul Lord
To You surrendered
All I am is Yours

Forgiveness of Sin

Worship Leader: The Lord lifts up the lowly, but casts the wicked to the ground... The Lord has pleasure in those who fear Him, in those who await His gracious favor.

[*Psalm 147:6, 12*]

“Here I Am to Worship”

[*Hymn of Assurance*]

Verse 1:

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

Chorus:

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

Verse 2:

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

Bridge:

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
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THANKING GOD FOR WHAT HE HAS DONE

Worship Leader: Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise Him in the heights! Praise Him,
all His angels; praise Him, all His
hosts! Praise Him, sun and moon,
praise Him, all you shining stars!
Praise Him, you highest heavens, and
you waters above the heavens! Let
them praise the name of the Lord! For
He commanded and they were
created. And He established them
forever and ever; He gave a decree,
and it shall not pass away. Praise the
Lord from the earth, you great sea
creatures and all deeps, fire and hail,
snow and mist, stormy wind fulfilling
His word! Mountains and all hills, fruit
trees and all cedars! Beasts and all
livestock, creeping things and flying
birds! Kings of the earth and all
peoples, princes and all rulers of the
earth! Young men and maidens
together, old men and children! Let
them praise the name of the Lord, for
His name alone is exalted; His majesty
is above earth and heaven. He has
raised up a horn for His people, praise
for all His saints, for the people of
Israel who are near to Him. Praise the
Lord!

[*Psalm 148*]

Giving Our Tithes and Offerings

“Come Holy Ghost”

[*Hymn of Thanksgiving*]

Verse 1:

Come Holy Ghost Creator blest
And in our hearts
Take up Thy rest
Come with Thy grace
And heav’nly aid
To fill our hearts
Which Thou hast made

Verse 2:

O Comforter to Thee we cry
Thou heav’nly gift
Of God most high
Thou fount of life and fire of love
And sweet anointing from above

Chorus:

Be not afraid where you go
There I am with you

Verse 3:

O Holy Ghost through Thee alone
Know we the Father and the Son
Be this our firm unchanging creed
That Thou dost from
Them both proceed

Verse 4:

Praise we the Lord Father and Son
And Holy Spirit with them one
And may the Son on us bestow
All gifts that from the Spirit flow

GOD INSTRUCTS US THROUGH HIS WORD

Scripture: Galatians 6:11–18

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon: “My Katie: Three Excuses, Three Crosses, and One New World”

Dr. Brian Albert

SERMON NOTES

I. Self-righteous Works (Flesh) Are Grounded in the Old Law that Has Passed (12–13).

- A. Self-righteous workers avoid the persecution of the cross.
- B. Self-righteous workers really do not believe in the law they claim.
- C. Self-righteous workers want power over others’ lives.

II. The Gospel Is Grounded in the New Creation that We Are Living In (14–18).

- A. The new creation is everything.
- B. The new creation is grounded in the cross of Christ.
 - 1. Paul calls those who embrace the cross as “children of Abraham” (3:7), “Abraham’s seed” (3:29), “sons and heirs” (4:7), “children of the promise” (4:28), the “Israel of God” (6:16).
 - 2. Paul is consistent with this theme (1 Cor. 1:17–18, 23; 2:2; Gal. 3:1; 5:11; Eph. 2:16; Phil. 2:8; 3:18; Col. 1:20; 2:14).

Private and Family Worship

For use during the week of November 20

Read: Galatians 6:11–18

Reflect on these questions and discuss them with your family:

1. As Paul concludes his letter to the Galatian church, what is uppermost in his mind?
2. How might submitting to circumcision avoid persecution (12–13)?
3. What do you think it means to “boast” in the cross of Jesus (14)?
4. Who is now God’s true, fulfilled Israel (16)?
5. How have you been “wounded” for Christ, whether physically, emotionally, financially or in some other way (17)?
6. How has your idea of God’s grace in Christ been strengthened, challenged or comforted since this study in Galatians?

Sing this Hymn: “Here I Am to Worship”

You can find the music here: bit.ly/hiatwlyrics

Pray

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in Your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under His most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

[from *The Book of Common Prayer*]

**GOD FEEDS US
THROUGH HIS SUPPER**

Breaking the Bread

Worship Leader: For I have received of the Lord that which also I delivered unto you, that the Lord Jesus the same night in which He was betrayed took bread: and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, “Take, eat: this is my body, which is broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.”

Taking the Cup

Worship Leader: After the same manner also He took the cup, when He had supped, saying, “This cup is the new testament in my blood: this you do as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread, and drink this cup, you show the Lord’s death until He comes.

[1 Corinthians 11:23–29]

**GOD BLESSES US
AND SENDS US OUT**

Worship Leader: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Why We Do What We Do in Worship

Call to Worship – Throughout the Scriptures we are called to worship God as the holy and good Creator of all things. Our worship service begins with a call to worship, which turns our attention from our everyday cares and concerns to the glory, love, and mercy of our God.

Confession of Sin – When we acknowledge the goodness, glory, and holiness of God, we are immediately confronted by our own sin and rebellion, which has separated us from Him. Confession should reflect our sorrow over our sins and our desire to be reconciled to God. We confess our sins to God trusting in his faithfulness to forgive us and cleanse us.

Forgiveness of Sin – When we trust in Jesus' death for us and we come to God with genuine sorrow for our sin, God graciously and lovingly forgives us for all our sin. And so we announce God's forgiveness to all who repent of their sin and trust in Jesus.

Thanking God for What He Has Done – Our natural response to the grace and kindness that God shows us in forgiving us is to thank Him. We thank God for forgiving us, blessing us, protecting us, and providing for us, and we express our thankfulness to God through prayers, singing, and giving.

God Instructs Us through His Word – God speaks to His people through the Scriptures. God's Word reveals to us who God is, what God is like, and what His will for us is. Each component of Calvary's worship service is guided by Scripture. We read Scripture, pray Scripture, and sing Scripture, but we also set aside time during the service to be taught how Scripture personally applies to our own lives.

God Feeds Us through His Supper – Each week we celebrate the Lord's Supper as the capstone of our worship service. The Lord's Supper is a tangible reminder of the Gospel and of the promise that God has made to us—the promise that He has forgiven us and cleansed us and put His Spirit within us. The bread and the cup remind us of Jesus' life and death presented as an offering to God for our sakes. When we all share this Supper together, we remember that we are all part of one family—children of God and brothers and sisters of one another.

God Blesses Us and Sends Us Out – Our worship service closes with a blessing from God through which He sends us out into the world to share His love and mercy with others and to live out the truths that we have learned and celebrated during the worship service.

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