

CHRIST THE KING Presbyterian Church

Exploring Together the Answers Found in Christ

FOR OUR GUESTS

Welcome to Christ the King Presbyterian Church

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

Adult and children's Christian education classes meet from 9:30-10:30 a.m. Classes are located in Ellis Hall. For information on current classes, go to our website: www.ctkroanoke.org

FOR CHILDREN:

Nursery: Infant and toddler nursery is located in the Multi-Purpose Room in Ellis Hall. Infant Room: For crying infants/nursing moms, the conference room in the back of New Slack Hall is available with audio of the worship service.

COMMUNITY GROUPS:

These groups are our attempt to walk through life with one another. We meet in homes throughout the Roanoke Valley. Church membership is not required to visit or participate. Interested or would like more information? Email office@ctkroanoke.org or check out our website at www.ctkroanoke.org

SERMONS:

Sermons can be downloaded from our website, www.ctkroanoke.org or through our podcast on iTunes, "Sermons - Christ the King Presbyterian Church."

THE CITY:

The City is an online tool to help the people of CTK connect, grow, and serve together. To find out what is happening each week at CTK, please email office@ctkroanoke.org to request an invitation to The City.

QUESTIONS OR MORE INFORMATION:

Please contact the church office at 540-725-5835 or office@ctkroanoke.org

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Christ the King Presbyterian Church, a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), believes that the Bible is the inerrant and infallible Word of God and holds to that system of doctrine summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

December 16, 2018

Third Sunday of Advent

REFLECTION AND PREPARATION

ADVENT READING | Isaiah 11:1-10

The Guidi Family

There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse, and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit. And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD. And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD. He shall not judge by what his eyes see, or decide disputes by what his ears hear, but with righteousness he shall judge the poor, and decide with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked. Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist, and faithfulness the belt of his loins.

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them. The cow and the bear shall graze; their young shall lie down together; and the lion shall eat straw like the ox. The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain; for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP | Psalm 24:1, 7-10

- (Leader) The earth is the LORD's and the fullness thereof, the world and those who dwell therein.
- (All) Lift up your heads, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory?
- (Leader) The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates! And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.
- (All) Who is this King of glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory!

^{*}Congregation standing



*PRAYER OF ADORATION

CORPORATE CONFESSION

Let us pray:

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. We have trusted in the things of this world, put our hope in things that will fade, and have turned from your ways by returning to the darkness. We have not trusted your true and ancient word. We have not readied our minds nor prepared our hands for the good deeds you have called us to. Instead we have become slow to do what is good and apathetic about what is right. Forgive us. Set us free from the power of sin; strengthen us by your Spirit to pursue righteousness and holiness. Help us to bring our sin into the light, to name that which you already know so that we would know your forgiving care; and grant us the grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, we ask you to hear our silent confessions...

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON | Ephesians 1:7-10

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Traditional German Melody





PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD



SERMON | The Child King: Mighty God | Isaiah 9:2-7

2 The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. 3 You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. 4 For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian. 5 For every boot of the tramping warrior in battle tumult and every garment rolled in blood will be burned as fuel for the fire. 6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. 7 Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will do this.

(Pastor) This is the Word of the Lord. **(All)** Thanks be to God.

1. His Conception

2. His Incarnation

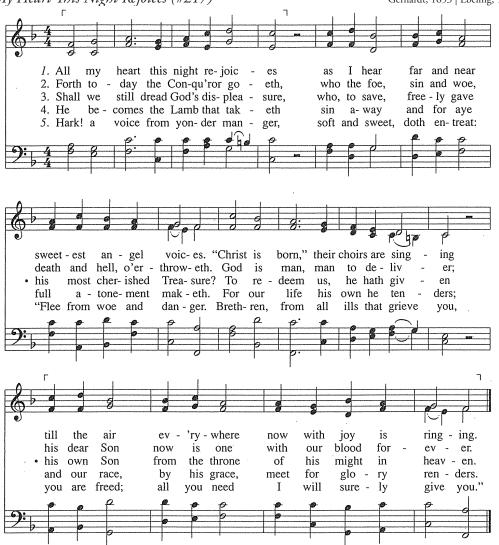
- 3. His Triumph a. Over Sin
 - a. Over on
 - b. Over Death

*Doxology (No. 733)

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!

THE LORD'S SUPPER | See comments below

We come forward by row to receive the elements. Wine is found in red cups (outer ring), grape juice in clear cups (inside rings). Gluten free wafers are available in both serving lines. If you are unable to come forward, please notify the server walking around with the elements. You are welcome to participate in the Lord's Supper if you are a baptized Christian and a follower of Jesus Christ. If this does not describe you, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer to consider your relationship to Jesus Christ. We also ask that children who have not yet publicly professed their faith in Christ, refrain from partaking until doing so. The Lord's Supper is a time for our faith to be strengthened and our hope renewed.



- Come, then, banish all your sadness, one and all, great and small; come with songs of gladness. Love him who with love is glowing; hail the star, near and far light and joy bestowing.
- 7. Dearest Lord, thee will I cherish.

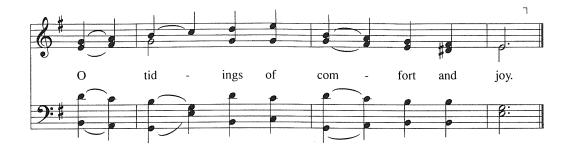
 Though my breath fail in death,
 yet I shall not perish,
 but with thee abide forever
 there on high, in that joy
 which can vanish never.





- 5. Thus spake the seraph, and forthwith appeared a shining throng of angels praising God, who thus addressed their joyful song, addressed their joyful song:
- 6. "All glory be to God on high, and to the earth be peace; good will henceforth, from heav'n to men, begin and never cease, begin and never cease!"





*THE PEACE OF CHRIST

The child who was promised has come, and he has brought peace to his people. The peace of Christ be with you **And also with you.**

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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