



CHRIST THE KING
— PRESBYTERIAN —

SEASON OF LENT – MARCH 9, 2025

“Praise the Savior Now and Ever”

*by Venantius Fortunatus, William Moore,
and Benedict/Bradham*

Praise the Savior now and ever;
Praise Him, all beneath the skies;
Prostrate lying, suffering, dying,
On the cross, a sacrifice.

Victory gaining life obtaining
Now in glory he doth rise.

Man's work faileth, Christ's availeth;
He is all our righteousness;
He, our Savior, has forever,
Set us free from dire distress.

Through his merit we inherit
Light and peace and happiness.

Sin's bond severed, we're delivered;
Christ has bruised the serpent's head;
Death no longer is the stronger
Hell itself is captive led.

Christ has risen from death's prison;
O'er the tomb he light has shed.

For his favor, praise for ever
Unto God the Father sing;
Praise the Savior, praise Him ever,
Son of God, our Lord and King.

Praise the Spirit, through Christ's merit,
He doth us salvation bring.

CALL TO WORSHIP - Psalm 103:1-2, 20-22

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!*

People: Bless the LORD, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits.

Leader: *Bless the LORD, O you his angels, you mighty ones who do his word, obeying the voice of his word!*

People: Bless the LORD, all his hosts, his ministers, who do his will!

Leader: *Bless the LORD, all his works, in all places of his dominion.*

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

PRAYER OF ADORATION

“Hast Thou Heard Him,
Seen Him, Known Him?”

by Ora Rowan (alt. K Twit) and Joel Littlepage

Hast thou heard Him, seen Him, known Him?

Is not thine a captured heart?

Chief among ten thousand own Him,

Joyful choose the better part.

Captivated by His beauty,
Worthy tribute haste to bring.
Let his peerless worth constrain thee,
Crown Him now unrivaled King.

What can strip the seeming beauty
From the idols of the earth?
Not a sense of right or duty,
But the sight of peerless worth.

Captivated by His beauty,
Worthy tribute haste to bring.
Let his peerless worth constrain thee,
Crown Him now unrivaled King.

'Tis that look that melted Peter,
'Tis that face that Stephen saw,
'Tis that heart that wept with Mary,
Can alone from idols draw.

Captivated by His beauty,
Worthy tribute haste to bring.
Let his peerless worth constrain thee,
Crown Him now unrivaled King.

“The Night Song”

*by Colin Buchanan, Jonathan Robinson,
and Rich Thompson*

In the darkness God will keep me
He will stay and never sleep
In the darkness God is brighter
Though the night is long and deep

All this day Your hand has held me
God of Heaven by my side
Thank You Father for Your goodness
You will hold me through the night

In the shadows You are with me
And You know my ev'ry fear
In the shadows none can harm me
For the mighty King is here

All this day Your hand has held me
God of Heaven by my side
Thank You Father for Your goodness
You will hold me through the night

So I find my rest in Jesus
He who came to rescue me
Jesus saved me from the darkness
I will rise to life with Him

All this day Your hand has held me
God of Heaven by my side
Thank You Father for Your goodness
You will hold me through the night

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING

Deuteronomy 26:5-11

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord!*

People: Thanks be to God!

CONFESSION OF SIN

O God of peace, who calls us to holiness, we bow before You, confessing our need. You have willed our sanctification, yet we resist Your refining hand. You call us to blamelessness, yet our thoughts wander, our words wound, our deeds falter.

Forgive us, O Lord, for grieving Your Spirit, for dull hearts that neglect Your Word, for hands idle in prayer, for lips slow to encourage.

You are faithful—You will surely do it. Cleanse us from all unrighteousness, preserve us in Christ, and keep us blameless until His coming.

For the sake of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON - Psalm 103:8, 10

Hear this good news:

The LORD is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He does not deal with us according to our sin, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

“Abide With Me”

by Henry Francis Lyte and Justin Smith

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord with me abide.
When other helpers, fail and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, abide with me.

Thou on my head, in early youth didst smile;
And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile
Thou hast not left me, though I oft left Thee
On to the close Lord, Abide with me.

I need Thy presence, every passing hour.

What but Thy grace,

Can foil the tempter's power?

Who like Thyself my, guide and stay can be?

Through cloud and sunshine,

Abide with me.

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight, tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death? where thy victory?
I triumph still, Lord, abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross, before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom,
and point me to the skies
Heaven's morning breaks and
earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, Lord, abide with me

GREETING

Leader: *May the peace of Christ be with you!*

People: And also with you!

Leader: *Let us share His peace with one another.*

Children may leave for lesson (ages 4-6).

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

As the leader directs, the congregation is invited to pray for those for whom they are burdened.

Pray aloud and by name or silently if you prefer.

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

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING

1 Thessalonians 5:23-28

Reader: *This is the Word of the Lord!*

People: Thanks be to God!

“Come, Thou Fount”

Words: Robert Robinson

Music: Asahel Nettleton

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.

Teach me some melodious sonnet,
Sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
Mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise mine Ebenezer;
Hither by Thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by Thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wandering from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be;
Let thy grace, Lord like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.

Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Minister: *The peace of the Lord be always with you.*

People: And also with you!

Minister: *Lift up your hearts!*

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Wine is in the outer circles of cups; the inner circle contains grape juice. Gluten-free bread is in its own tray.

As the usher directs, please come forward one row at a time to pick up your cups.

Please hold your elements until all are served so that we may all partake together, as one body.

“God and Man at Table are Sat Down”

by Robert Stamps

O, welcome all you noble saints of old,
As now before your very eyes unfold
The wonders all so long ago foretold.
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

Elders, martyrs, all are falling down;
Prophets, patriarchs are gathering round,
What angels longed to see now we have found.
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

Beggars, lame, and harlots also here;
Repentant publicans are drawing near;
Wayward ones come home without a fear.
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

Who is this who spreads the victory feast?
Who is this who makes our warring cease?
Jesus, Risen Savior, Prince of Peace.
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

Here He gives Himself to us as bread
Here as wine we drink the blood He shed
Born to die we eat and live instead
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

Worship in the presence of the Lord,
With joyful songs and hearts in one accord,
And let our Host at table be adored.
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

When at last this earth shall pass away,
When Jesus and his bride are one to stay,
The feast of love is just begun that day.
God and man at table are sat down.
God and man at table are sat down.

CELEBRATING COMMUNION

Announcements

Benediction - Psalm 103:17-19

The steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him, and his righteousness to children's children. The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all.

Amen.

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. (4x)



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