

The Lord's Day, October 1, 2023

10:30 AM Morning Service

*"O Lord, you have searched me and known me!"
Psalm 139:1*

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

The Voluntary for Silent Prayer

***Call to Worship: Romans 11:33-36**

Minister: Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God!!

People: How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!

Minister: "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?"

People: "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?"

Unison: For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

***Hymn of Adoration: "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" (No. 38)**

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.

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!

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.

***Prayer of Adoration and Congregational Invocation**

Most High God, the universe with all its myriad creatures is yours — made by your word, upheld by your power, governed by your will. But you are also the Father of mercies, the God of all grace, the bestower of comfort, the protector of the saved. You have given us your Son, our savior, Jesus Christ. We come to you in his name, pleading his perfect righteousness, his complete obedience, his suffering, his shed blood, his death, and his resurrection. We thank you that in him, we no longer dread condemnation; in him we are delivered from the power of sin; in him we live in the hope of heaven. Amen.

***Affirmation of Faith: Westminster Large Catechism Q&A 7**

Minister: What is God?

People: God is a Spirit, in and of himself infinite in being, glory, blessedness, and perfection; all-sufficient, eternal, unchangeable, incomprehensible, everywhere present, almighty, knowing all things, most wise, most holy, most just, most merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth.

Unison: Thanks be to God!

***Gloria (Tune: Gloria Patri, Creatorex)**

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, Amen.

The Revelation of God's Will: Ex. 20:1-17; Mt. 22:37-40

Unison: And God spoke all these words saying: 'I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.'

Minister: You shall have no other gods before me.

People: You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

Minister: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain.

People: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates.

Minister: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested the seventh day. Therefore, the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

People: Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.

Minister: You shall not murder.

People: You shall not commit adultery.

Minister: You shall not steal.

People: You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

Minister: You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

Unison: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and soul, mind and strength...and your neighbor as yourself."

Minister: Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that he has commanded?

People: No, but we have sinned against him in thought, word, and deed.

Minister: Then confess your sins. For with the Lord there is forgiveness and abundant pardon.

Hymn of Confession: "We Have Not Known Thee As We Ought" (No. 493, Tune: St. Catherine)

1 We have not known thee as we ought,
nor learned thy wisdom, grace and pow'r;
the things of earth have filled our thought,
and trifles of the passing hour.

Lord, give us light thy truth to see,
and make us wise in knowing thee.

2 We have not feared thee as we ought,
nor bowed beneath thine awful eye,
nor guarded deed, and word, and thought,
remembering that God was nigh.

Lord, give us faith to know thee near,
and grant the grace of holy fear.

3 We have not loved thee as we ought,
nor cared that we are loved by thee;
thy presence we have coldly sought,
and feebly longed thy face to see.

Lord, give a pure and loving heart
to feel and own the love thou art.

4 We have not served thee as we ought;
alas! the duties left undone,

the work with little fervor wrought,
the battles lost, or scarcely won!

Lord, give the zeal, and give the might,
for thee to toil, for thee to fight.

5 When shall we know thee as we ought,
and fear, and love, and serve aright!

When shall we, out of trial brought,
be perfect in the land of light!

Lord, may we day by day prepare
to see thy face, and serve thee there.

Confession

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, prone to evil and slothful in good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. But, O Lord, have mercy upon us, who are ashamed and sorry for all that has displeased you. Teach us to hate our errors; cleanse us from our secret faults; and forgive our sins – for the sake of your dear Son. And O most holy and loving Father, by the power of the Holy Spirit, enable us to live in your light and walk in your ways, according to the commandments of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray, Amen.

Silent Meditation and Confession

Pastoral Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Colossians 1:13-14

***Hymn of Thanksgiving: “When I Survey the Wondrous Cross” (No. 252)**

1 When I survey the wondrous cross
on which the Prince of glory died,
my richest gain I count but loss,
and pour contempt on all my pride.

2 Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
save in the death of Christ my God:
all the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.

3 See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
sorrow and love flow mingled down:
did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
or thorns compose so rich a crown?

4 Were the whole realm of nature mine,
that were a present far too small;
love so amazing, so divine,
demands my soul, my life, my all.

Worship of God through Tithes and Offerings

***Doxology (Tune: Old Hundredth)**

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; Amen

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

Reading of The Holy Scriptures: Matthew 7:1-6

Minister: This is the Word of God.

Unison: Thanks be to God for his Word!

The Prayer for Illumination

Sermon: “Judge Not?” (Rev. Seth Wallace)

***Hymn of Response: "We Are God's People" (No. 355)**

1 We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,
And strong in Him we stand:
O let us live transparently
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

2 We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our
Lord,
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;
Now let us learn how to return
The gift of love once given:
O let us share each joy and care,
And live with a zeal that pleases Heaven.

We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;
He wills us be a family,
Diverse yet truly one:
O let us give our gifts to God,
And so shall his work on earth be done.

We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's
grace;
We die alone, for on its own
Each member loses fire:
Yet joined in one the flame burns on
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.
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***The Benediction**

Postlude

**Denotes congregation standing if able*

If you would like someone to pray with you, an Elder will be available at the front of the sanctuary following the service.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

➤ **Sandwich & Salad Luncheon**

Linger a little longer after worship service on October 15 and join us for a sandwich and salad luncheon. The congregation is asked to bring sandwiches, a salad, or dessert--enough to feed eight. A signup sheet is in the narthex, or you may sign up online at www.ctkvb.org. Bring a friend and join in the fun and fellowship. Come as you are--tiaras and tuxes optional!

➤ **Children's Choir**

All CTK children are invited to participate in a choir that will share special music with the congregation during Advent season this year. If your children are interested in joining in, please contact Roger Cocking (rcocking2@gmail.com) or Janis Ramos (jansqs@gmail.com).

➤ **Sunday School**

If you haven't joined us for Sunday School, we invite you to do so. Classes meet at 9:00 AM each Sunday through October 22. There are classes for kindergartners through adults.

➤ **Kitchen Crew**

Volunteers are needed for Kitchen Crew in November and December. If you'd like to help, please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Thank you!

➤ **Inquirers' Class**

If you are interested in learning more about Christ the King Presbyterian Church, please see Pastor Seth or an Elder. The Inquirers' Class will be held Friday evening and Saturday morning, November 17 and 18.

➤ **Women's Bible Study**

All women of the church are invited to our study of Exodus 19-40 on Thursdays at 10:00 AM. Study books may be found on the book table for \$25 each. You may deposit cash or a check in the book box.

➤ **Men's Fellowship Time**

The men are meeting on Wednesdays at 7:00 AM for a time of fellowship at Nettie's Roadside Restaurant, 2555 27th Ave Suite G-6 in Vero Beach.

➤ **Operation Christmas Child**

You are invited, once again, to participate in Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child. Be a part of bringing great Christmas joy to children throughout the world.

Our goal this year is 100 filled shoeboxes, which must be returned to the church by November 2. For details about what to include (and not include), how to pack the box, pay for shipping costs, or contribute if you're not able to do the shopping yourself, please pick up an information sheet in the foyer.

Thank you in advance for being a part of blessing children in over 150 countries. Many of these boys and girls have never received a gift and have never heard of the true meaning of Christmas until they open their shoeboxes.