

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

November 26, 2017

Christ the King Sunday /Reign of Christ / Proper 29

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*Please sign and pass the Friendship Book (“pew pad”) where you can also record any prayer requests. Our prayer is that you will experience the presence of the Living God as we worship together.*

*We invite you to focus your heart and mind in worship.*

*\* indicates please stand as you are able.*

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**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Sam Palpant**

**PRELUDE**

**Organ**

**“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”**

*Arr. Dale Wood*

**CALL TO WORSHIP:**

**Sam Palpant**

We will give thanks to you, O LORD, with our whole heart;

we will tell of all your wonderful deeds.

**We will be glad and exult in you;**

**we will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

—from Psalm 9:1-2, NRSV.

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**\*SONGS OF WORSHIP:**

**“BLESSED BE YOUR NAME”**

**(VERSE 1)**

Blessed be your name

In the land that is plentiful

Where your streams of abundance flow

Blessed be your name

**(VERSE 2)**

Blessed be your name

When I'm found in the desert place

Though I walk through the wilderness

Blessed be your name

**(PRE-CHORUS)**

**Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise**

**When the darkness closes in Lord still I will say**

**(CHORUS)**

**Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be your glorious name**

**(VERSE 3)**

Blessed be your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be your name

**(VERSE 4)**

Blessed be your name  
On the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be your name

**(REPEAT PRE-CHORUS & CHORUS)**

**(BRIDGE)**

*You give and take away—You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord blessed be your name.*

**(REPEAT CHORUS)**

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**“SING PRAISE TO THE LORD”**

*(Hymn #346)*

**(VERSE 1)**

Sing praise to the LORD; come, sing a new song.  
Amid all his saints his praises prolong.  
Let Israel be glad in their Maker and sing;  
let all Zion's people rejoice in their King.

**(VERSE 2)**

With timbrel and harp and joyful acclaim,  
with dancing and song give praise to his name.  
For God in his people his pleasure will seek,  
with robes of salvation adorning the meek.

**(VERSE 3)**

In glory exult, you saints of the LORD;  
with songs in the night high praises accord.  
Go forth in his service, be strong in his might  
to conquer all evil and stand for the right.

**(VERSE 4)**

For this is God's word: his saints shall not fail,  
but over the earth their power shall prevail.  
All kingdoms and nations shall yield to their sword  
thus God shows his glory. Sing praise to the LORD!

**TIME OF PRAYER**

**Karen Colvin**

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**Call to Confession**

God's Word assures us:

If we say that we have no sin,  
we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

If we confess our sins,  
he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins  
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

—based on 1 John 1:8-9, NRSV.

**Prayer of Confession**

Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
according to your abundant mercy  
blot out my transgressions.

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
and cleanse me from my sin.**

For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.

**Against you, you alone, have I sinned,  
and done what is evil in your sight,  
so that you are justified in your sentence  
and blameless when you pass judgment.**

You desire truth in the inward being;  
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.

**Hide your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my iniquities.**

Create in me a clean heart, O God,

and put a new and right spirit within me.  
**Do not cast me from your presence,  
and do not take your holy spirit from me.**

—Psalm 51:1-4, 6, 9-11, NRSV

*[Silent Prayer]*

### **Assurance of Pardon**

I will sprinkle clean water upon you,  
and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,  
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.  
A new heart I will give you,  
and a new spirit I will put within you;  
and I will remove from your body the heart of stone  
and give you a heart of flesh.

—Ezekiel 36:25-26, NRSV

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### **SONG OF WORSHIP:**

*please remain seated*

**“CREATE IN ME A CLEAN HEART”**

**(CHORUS)**

**Create in me a clean heart  
O Lord my God  
And renew a right spirit within me  
Create in me a clean heart  
O Lord my God  
And renew a right spirit within me**

**(VERSE)**

**Cast me not away from Thy presence O Lord  
Take not Thy Holy Spirit from me  
Restore to me the joy of Thy salvation  
And renew a right spirit within me**

**(ENDING)**

***Create in me a clean heart  
O Lord my God  
And renew a right spirit within me***

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**Invitation to the Offering**

In gratitude for the immeasurable gift of Jesus Christ,  
let us bring our tithes and offerings to God.

**\*Doxology**

**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/Dedication**

Almighty God,  
we give you thanks and praise for your love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Accept our offering in union with Christ's offering for us.  
Confirm in us the riches of his glorious inheritance  
among the saints,  
that we may testify to the sovereignty of his love.  
Through Christ, with the Holy Spirit,  
all glory and honor is yours, Almighty God,  
now and forever. **Amen.**

*You may bring your offering and/or light a candle at the front or  
back of the sanctuary.*

*The children are excused at this time to attend Junior Chapel.*

**Offertory**

**"Adante"**  
*Johannes Brahms*

**Organ**

**READING OF THE SCRIPTURES**

**Luke 7:36–48** (NIV)

**Lois Robertson**

<sup>36</sup> "When one of the Pharisees invited Jesus to have dinner with him, he went to the Pharisee's house and reclined at the table. <sup>37</sup> A woman in that town who lived a sinful life learned that Jesus was eating at the Pharisee's house, so she came there with an alabaster jar of perfume. <sup>38</sup> As she stood behind him at his feet weeping, she began to wet his

feet with her tears. Then she wiped them with her hair, kissed them and poured perfume on them.

<sup>39</sup> When the Pharisee who had invited him saw this, he said to himself, “If this man were a prophet, he would know who is touching him and what kind of woman she is—that she is a sinner.”

<sup>40</sup> Jesus answered him, “Simon, I have something to tell you.”

“Tell me, teacher,” he said.

<sup>41</sup> “Two people owed money to a certain moneylender. One owed him five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup> Neither of them had the money to pay him back, so he forgave the debts of both. Now which of them will love him more?”

<sup>43</sup> Simon replied, “I suppose the one who had the bigger debt forgiven.”

“You have judged correctly,” Jesus said.

<sup>44</sup> Then he turned toward the woman and said to Simon, “Do you see this woman? I came into your house. You did not give me any water for my feet, but she wet my feet with her tears and wiped them with her hair. <sup>45</sup> You did not give me a kiss, but this woman, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing my feet. <sup>46</sup> You did not put oil on my head, but she has poured perfume on my feet. <sup>47</sup> Therefore, I tell you, her many sins have been forgiven—as her great love has shown. But whoever has been forgiven little loves little.”

<sup>48</sup> Then Jesus said to her, “Your sins are forgiven.”

## **Deuteronomy 8:7–18** (NIV)

**Katie Stark**

<sup>7</sup> For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land—a land with brooks, streams, and deep springs gushing out into the valleys and hills; <sup>8</sup> a land with wheat and barley, vines and fig trees, pomegranates, olive oil and honey; <sup>9</sup> a land where bread will not be scarce and you will lack nothing; a land where the rocks are iron and you can dig copper out of the hills.

<sup>10</sup> When you have eaten and are satisfied, praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you. <sup>11</sup> Be careful that you do not forget the Lord your God, failing to observe

his commands, his laws and his decrees that I am giving you this day. <sup>12</sup> Otherwise, when you eat and are satisfied, when you build fine houses and settle down, <sup>13</sup> and when your herds and flocks grow large and your silver and gold increase and all you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup> then your heart will become proud and you will forget the Lord your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. <sup>15</sup> He led you through the vast and dreadful wilderness, that thirsty and waterless land, with its venomous snakes and scorpions. He brought you water out of hard rock. <sup>16</sup> He gave you manna to eat in the wilderness, something your ancestors had never known, to humble and test you so that in the end it might go well with you. <sup>17</sup> You may say to yourself, "My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me." <sup>18</sup> But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you the ability to produce wealth, and so confirms his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as it is today.

**MESSAGE**

**Katie Stark**

**"Gratitude in Abundance"**

**\*SONG OF WORSHIP:**

**"NOW THANK WE ALL OUR GOD"**

*(Hymn #374)*

**(VERSE 1)**

Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things hath done, in whom his world rejoices;  
who, from our mother's arms, hath blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

**(VERSE 2)**

O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us;

and keep us in his grace and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.

**(VERSE 3)**

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,  
the one eternal God whom earth and heaven adore;  
for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

**BENEDICTION**

**Katie Stark**

**POSTLUDE**

**Organ**

**"Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens Adore Him"**

*Lani Smith*

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**In the pulpit today: Katie Stark** has lived in Spokane for nearly two decades, arriving when she attended Whitworth University. She worked at Hamblen Park Presbyterian Church for over sixteen years in youth ministry and also as a Commissioned Ruling Elder focusing on missions and prayer ministry. Katie has a passion for spiritual formation and discipleship, is trained as a Spiritual Director and has led retreats. She is currently going to school full time, earning her M.A. in Theology from Whitworth University. Katie is married to Brad and has two children: Colin (age 10) and Maggie (age 5).

**Today's Lectionary Readings**

**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

**Psalm 100**

**Ephesians 1:15-23:**

**Matthew 25:31-46**

*Question for Reflection*

How would it change you to see the face of Christ  
in every stranger you meet?

## ***Household Prayer: Morning***

God of all creation,  
I greet your new day with thanksgiving and praise.  
Do not let me neglect the needs of those I meet today,  
and keep me faithful to your ways,  
for I want to live for you. Amen.

## ***Household Prayer: Evening***

Thank you, Lord, for the gifts and challenges of this day.  
Where I failed to do your will, forgive me.  
Grant me peace throughout this night,  
and if I should die,  
welcome me into your glory with all the saints in light;  
in Jesus' name. Amen.

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