

In-Person Bulletin for Worship

November 21, 2021

9:00 Service

Prelude *variations on Come Thou Almighty King (Italian Hymn)*

arr. Gerhard Krapf

Announcements

Lit candle is brought in reminding us of Christ in our Midst.

Call to Worship

Les Mier

It is done.

**God has always been in charge—
yesterday and today.**

Even when things seem out of control,
God's reign is on its way.

Let us prepare the way for God.

Musical Meditation: *"Soon and Very Soon"*

arr. by Fred Bock

Soon and very soon

We are going to see the King

Soon and very soon

We are going to see the King

Soon and very soon

We are going to see the King

Hallelujah hallelujah

We're going to see the King

GTG Hymnal #384

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Prayer of Adoration

Let us pray: Great Triune God,
we have gathered here in your name
as an act of faith,

believing that you are not only among us,
but that you love us.

It is often hard to recognize your love,
see your mercy, and feel your presence.

Help us today in our worship,
that we might be transparent to your grace,
as you reveal yourself to each one of us. Amen.

Prayer of Confession

God of all creation,
before time and beyond space,
we admit to our human limits
as we try to imagine the reign of truth
that you envision for us.
When we follow worldly powers
and stray from the good path
you desire for all you have created,
give us Jesus.
Give us Jesus, O God—
not a Jesus high and lifted up,
but chained and arraigned by authorities
with boldness to tell the truth.
Speak through our words and deeds,
that your will may be done in our time.
Embolden us with the confidence
that your reign will one day come.
Come, O Strong One, come. Amen.

Take a few moments for your own silent confession

Assurance of Hope and Forgiveness

God's promises are everlasting, ordered, and secure.
God loves us and frees us.
Accept God's forgiveness, for we are forgiven. Amen.

The Presbyterian Hymnal #579 "Gloria Patri"

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.

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Glory Be to the Father

TEXT: Trad. liturgical text. Composer: Henry W. Greatorex (1851)

Scripture Readings:

2 Samuel 9:1-11

David asked, 'Is there still anyone left of the house of Saul to whom I may show kindness for Jonathan's sake?' ²Now there was a servant of the house of Saul whose name was Ziba, and he was summoned to David. The king said to him, 'Are you Ziba?' And he said, 'At your service!' ³The king said, 'Is there anyone remaining of the house of Saul to whom I may show the kindness of God?' Ziba said to the king, 'There remains a son of Jonathan; he is crippled in his feet.' ⁴The king said to him, 'Where is he?' Ziba said to the king, 'He is in the house of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar.' ⁵Then King David sent and brought him from the house of Machir son of Ammiel, at Lo-debar. ⁶Mephibosheth son of Jonathan son of Saul came to David, and fell on his face and did obeisance. David said, 'Mephibosheth!' He

answered, 'I am your servant.' ⁷David said to him, 'Do not be afraid, for I will show you kindness for the sake of your father Jonathan; I will restore to you all the land of your grandfather Saul, and you yourself shall eat at my table always.' ⁸He did obeisance and said, 'What is your servant, that you should look upon a dead dog such as I am?' ⁹ Then the king summoned Saul's servant Ziba, and said to him, 'All that belonged to Saul and to all his house I have given to your master's grandson. ¹⁰You and your sons and your servants shall till the land for him, and shall bring in the produce, so that your master's grandson may have food to eat; but your master's grandson Mephibosheth shall always eat at my table.' Now Ziba had fifteen sons and twenty servants. ¹¹Then Ziba said to the king, 'According to all that my lord the king commands his servant, so your servant will do.' Mephibosheth ate at David's table, like one of the king's sons.

Ephesians 2:1-10

You were dead through the trespasses and sins ²in which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient. ³All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else. ⁴But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us ⁵even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God— ⁹not the result of works, so that no one may boast. ¹⁰For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

Message: "Christ Our King"
Pastoral Prayer

Rev. Paul Zoschke

The Lord's Prayer

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.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who have sinned against us.
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Benediction

Sending Music: *(assembly dismisses during this instrumental piece)*
variations on Jesus Shall Reign (Duke Street)

arr. by Robert A. Hobby