



# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Christ the King/Reign of Christ | November 22, 2020

**NOTE: For this Service of Communion, you may want to have some bread or crackers and some kind of juice ready.**

## PRELUDE

### *Who is He in Yonder Stall*

Text by Benjamin Russell Hanby, Music by Benjamin Harlan  
Gail Thomas, Laura Viau, Wayne Tillman, Chad Hammer, vocal quartet

Who is he in yonder stall, at whose feet the shepherds fall? Who is he in deep distress, fasting in the wilderness? Who is he the people bless for his words of gentleness? Who is he to whom they bring all the sick and sorrowing? 'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord! the King of glory! At his feet we humbly fall, crown him Lord, the Lord of all! Who is he that stands and weeps at the grave where Lazarus sleeps? Who is he the gathering throng greet with loud triumphant song? 'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord! the King of glory! At his feet we humbly fall, crown him Lord, the Lord of all! Who is he that from the grave comes to heal and help and save? Who is he that from his throne rules through all the world alone? 'Tis the Lord! O wondrous story! 'Tis the Lord! the King of glory! At his feet we humbly fall, crown him Lord, the Lord of all! Crown him Lord, the Lord of all!

## CALL TO WORSHIP

*(All speak words in **boldface**.)*

Come, praise God, the Alpha and the Omega,  
**the One who was, and is, and is to come!**

Come, you thankful people, come!

**Let us worship God.**

## THANKSGIVING HYMN MEDLEY

*Come, Ye Thankful People, Come*

***Come, ye thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home.***

***All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.***

***God, our Maker, doth provide for our wants to be supplied.***

***Come to God's own temple, come; raise the song of harvest home.***

*(Interlude into, "We Gather Together")*

***We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;***

***he chastens and hastens his will to make known;***

***the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.***

***Sing praises to his name; he forgets not his own.***

*(Interlude into, "Now Thank We All Our God")*

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

TEXT: Henry Alford, 1844, alt. P.D. TUNE: George Job Elvey, 1858; ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR, P.D.

TEXT: Attr. Adrianus Valerius, c. 1626; trans. Theodore Baker, 1894; P.D. TUNE: Neder-landsch Gedenck-Clanck, 1626; KREMSER; P.D.

TEXT: Martin Rinkart, c. 1636; trans. Catherine Winkworth, 1858, alt.; P.D. TUNE: Johann Crüger, 1647NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT, P.D.

## PRAYER OF PRAISE AND CONFESSION

O God who writes on our hearts,  
your commandments and teachings  
are always with us.

**You have never abandoned us.**

In amazing and persistent grace,  
the covenant you made with Israel  
you have kept with us.

Though we continually break covenant with you,  
you remain faithful.

**Forgive our waywardness, our fretting, and withholding.**

**Give us compassion that endures,  
generosity that reveals your kingdom,  
and hope that outshines the world's despair.**

O how we long to behold the day of your appearing,  
even as we stand now in view of your kingdom,  
promised and made present in Christ Jesus,  
in whose name we wait and pray.

**Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF GOD'S FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe this good news:  
God promises to forgive us,  
to put our sins out of God's own mind and heart.  
In this way, God gives us not just a second chance  
but a new beginning.

**We are indeed forgiven, alleluia! Amen!**

VERSE OF PRAISE AND THANKS (*Now Thank We All Our God*)

*All praise and thanks to God, who reigns in highest heaven,  
to Father and to Son and Spirit now be given:  
the one eternal God, whom heaven and earth adore,  
the God who was, and is, and shall be evermore.*

SCRIPTURE READING            Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34

SERMON                            “The Promise Renewed”                            Rev. Laura Viau

HYMN                                *The God of Abraham Praise*                            LEONI

*The God of Abraham praise, who reigns enthroned above,  
the Ancient of Eternal Days, the God of love!  
The Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heav’n confessed.  
we bow before your holy name, forever blest.*

*Your spirit still flows free, high surging where it will.  
In prophet’s word you spoke of old and you speak still.  
Established is your law, and changeless it shall stand,  
deep writ upon the human heart by your strong hand.*

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

Invitation

. . . And all who seek to live by the values of God’s Way  
are welcome to join as we eat together, even from a distance.

**We sit, ready with our own supplies.  
Let us break bread together.**

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

... Hear us as we praise your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**

**heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord!**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

... Remembering his life and suffering, his resurrection and ascension,

**we offer our praise and thanksgiving for life with Christ.**

God of all—we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.**

... to sing of your glory, today, tomorrow, and forever.

**AMEN! and AMEN!**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray together, saying:

**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.**

Breaking and Pouring

These are Gifts from God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Shall we eat and drink together?

We have broken the bread, we have poured the drink,  
we have shared a meal together.

**Even while we remain physically separated,  
we have been united in our souls.**

Prayer

... keep us mindful

**that You are our God, we are your people;**

keep us open

**to nudges from your spirit as the year moves along;**

keep us united  
**bound to you and to one another as your body;**  
remembering that we are made in your image  
**to work for justice and for peace. Amen.**

HYMN (*verse three*)

*You have eternal life implanted in the soul;  
your love shall be our strength and stay, while ages roll.  
We praise you, living God! We praise your holy name:  
the first, the last, beyond all thought, and still the same!*

TEXT: Moses Maimonides, 12th cent.; vers Daniel ben Judah Dayan, 1404; stanzas 1, 3, trans. Thomas Olivers, c. 1770, alt; stanzas 2, 4, trans. Max Landsberg, Newton M. Mann, and William C. Gannett, 1884, 1920, alt. TUNE: Jewish melody, 17th cent.; adapt. Meyer Lyon and Thomas Olivers, 1770. P.D.

## BENEDICTION AND CHARGE

BENEDICTION RESPONSE      *O God Who Gave Yourself*      FOREST GREEN  
Gail Thomas, Susan Pearse, Wayne Tillman, Ken Curry, vocal quartet

O God who gave yourself to us in Jesus Christ your Son,  
Help us to give ourselves each day until life's work is done.

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