

# The Lord's Service

April 15, 2018

\*All who are able, please stand.

## Prelude

## \*Song of Praise with Greeting

### *Come, People of the Risen King*

1. Come peo - ple of the Ris - en King, who de - light to bring Him praise; Come  
2. Come those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the night; Come  
3. Come young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wom - en of the faith; Come

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all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the shift - ing shad - ows  
those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For His per - fect love will  
those with full or emp - ty hands - find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver all the world, His

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of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to —  
nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er cease, but fol - low us through all our days, with the  
peo - ple sing - shore to shore we hear them call the truth that cries through ev - 'ry age, "Our —

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gath - er chil - dren in. Re - joice, re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re -  
cer - tain hope of peace. God is all in all."

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joice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, re - joice!

# Welcome and Announcements

## God Calls Us

In silent meditation, prepare to meet the *sovereign* God in worship.

### \*Choral Call to Worship

*Come, Let Us Join*

Come, let us join our cheerful songs with angels 'round the throne.  
Ten thousand-thousand are their tongues, but all their joys are one.

The whole creation joins in one to bless the holy Name  
Of Him who sits upon the throne, and to adore the Lamb!

(Gaines)

**LEADER:** Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous!

**PEOPLE:** Give thanks to the Lord, for His Word is upright and all His work is done by faithfulness.

**LEADER:** The eye of the Lord is on those who fear Him, on those who hope in His steadfast love.

**PEOPLE:** Our soul waits for the Lord, He is our help and our shield.

**LEADER:** For our heart is glad in Him, because we trust in His holy name.

**ALL:** Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in You.

\*Salutation

Pastor Mullinax

\*Hymn

No. 2

*O Worship the King*  
based on Psalm 104

\*Invocation

Elder Jason Coffey

# God Cleanses Us

## Reading of the Law of God

LEADER: Hear now the Covenant of your God, which He has commanded you to keep saying, “I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.

You shall have no other gods before Me.

**PEOPLE: You shall not make for yourself an idol.**

LEADER: You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.

**PEOPLE: Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.**

LEADER: Honor your father and your mother.

**PEOPLE: You shall not murder.**

LEADER: You shall not commit adultery.

**PEOPLE: You shall not steal.**

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

**PEOPLE: You shall not covet.”**

LEADER: Have you fully obeyed the Lord in all that He has commanded? Have you loved the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength and your neighbor as yourself?

**PEOPLE: No, but we have sinned in thought, in word, and in deed.**

LEADER: Then confess your sins to the Lord for with Him there is mercy and abundant redemption.

## Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

Almighty God,  
we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against  
You in thought, word, and deed;  
we have not loved You  
with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength;  
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.  
Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done,  
and the good we have left undone.  
Lord, You are full of compassion and gracious,  
slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy;  
there is always forgiveness with You!

Restore to us the joy of Your salvation;  
bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds,  
strength to our wills, and rest to our souls.  
Speak to each of us, and let Your word abide with us  
until it has wrought in us Your holy will,  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Declaration of Pardon

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the good news...  
...The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

\*Hymn

*In Christ Alone*

In Christ alone my hope is found,  
He is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,  
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace,  
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.  
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.  
No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the pow'r of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man  
Can ever pluck me from His hand;  
Till He returns or calls me home,  
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!  
(2002 Thankyou Music)

## God Consecrates Us

Old Testament Reading

Elder Tracy Wright

Joel 2.19-32 (p. 761)

**LEADER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

# Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory Anthem

Choir

## *And the Father Will Dance*

And the Father will dance over you in joy!

He will take delight in whom He loves.

Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God?

No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song!

My soul will make its boast in God,

For He has answered all my cries,

His faithfulness to me is as sure as the dawn of a new day.

Awake, my soul, and sing! Let my spirit rejoice in God!

Sing, O Daughter of Zion, with all of your heart!

Cast away fear for you have been restored!

Put on the garment of praise as on a festival day.

Join with the Father in glorious, jubilant song.

And the Father will dance over you in joy!

He will take delight in whom He loves!

Is that a choir I hear singing the praises of God?

No, the Lord God Himself is exulting o'er you in song!

God rejoices over you in song!

(Hayes 1983 Hinshaw Music, Inc.)

\*Doxology

*Now Thank We All Our God*

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 heav'n adore;

For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

Prayer of the Church

Pastor Mullinax

\*Hymn

No. 295

*Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Scripture Lesson

Luke 24.13-35 (p. 885)

Sermon

Rev. Jake Bennett

**THE HIDDEN FACE OF GOD**

\*Hymn

No. 285

*Jesus, Lord, Redeemer*

\*Confession of Faith (in unison)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,  
Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified,  
died, and was buried;  
He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of

God the Father Almighty.

From there He will come to judge the living  
and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*Gloria Patri

No. 734

Glorify 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.

## God Commissions Us

\*Benediction

Pastor Bennett

May the God who works wonders,  
who has made His strength known among His people,  
and His power redeemed them, may He be your joy and delight in you always.

Postlude

<sup>†</sup> "catholic" -- universal