

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Christ the King

November 25, 2007

8:30 and 11:00 a.m.

*All who are able may stand.

Bold type spoken by the congregation

GATHERING. . .

The Prelude

“Toccata per l’Elevazione”

G. Frescobaldi

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

The Call To Worship

In the image of Christ we are created;
In the spirit of Christ we are knit together.
In the body of Christ we are reborn;
In the love of Christ we are reconciled.
O come, let us sing Hosanna to God
Whose fullness in Christ was pleased to dwell,
Whose fullness in us desires to live!

The Prayer of Praise

*The Hymn 142

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”

The Prayer of Confession

The Choral Response

The Litany of Assurance

(from *Colossians 1*)

Give thanks to God who has enabled us
to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.
For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

God has rescued us from the power of darkness,
and in Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.
For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

In Christ all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible.

For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

Christ is the head of the body, the church;
Christ is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead.

For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

Through Christ, God was pleased to reconcile all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making
peace through the blood of the cross.

For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

Alleluia! Amen.

*The Gloria Patri

p. 579 in the Hymnal

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

(Please exchange this ancient greeting with worshippers seated near you.
Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

The Old Testament Lesson: *Jeremiah 23:1-6*

p. 887 in the pew Bible

The Psalter Lesson: *Luke 1:68-79*

p. 70 in the pew Bible

The Anthem

“Ride On, King Jesus”
Chris Fisher, soprano

Moses Hogan

The Epistle Lesson: *Colossians 1:11-20*

p. 244 in the pew Bible

A Moment With the Children

*The Hymn 457 *“I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art”*

The Gospel Lesson: *Luke 23:33-43*

p. 108 in the pew Bible

The Sermon

“The Power of Presence”

Allen H. Fisher, Jr.

TO RESPOND TO GOD’S WORD. . .

*The Affirmation of Faith

Philippians 2:5-11

**Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form he humbled himself
and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and give him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess to the glory of God:
Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

The Lord’s Prayer

p. 16 in the Hymnal

The Service of Offering

The Gathering of Our Gifts

The Offertory

“Oblation”

J. Cruger

*The Doxology and Prayer of Dedication

Doxology, p. 592 in the Hymnal

For the saving faithfulness of Jesus Christ, we give You thanks. For the church that seeks to extend Christ’s ministry, we are humbly grateful. All things we have are gifts from You, O God, so we dedicate more than our money. We reinvest ourselves in patient, joyful response to Your promises. Hear our prayers and empower our ministry in the name of Christ, our Sovereign and Savior. Amen.

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD’S NAME.

*The Hymn 151

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

*The Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

“Trumpet in Dialogue”

L. Clerambault