

PRAYER OF CONFESSION AND REPENTANCE

Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God

(quiet personal prayer)

Heavenly Father, we confess that we are sometimes swayed by the crowd. We turn from giving our all to You and instead are swayed by the “good thing” we hear/see the crowd pushing. We let our desires and fears get stirred up and keep us from moving away from the crowd into what you have called us to. We now ask that You forgive us of our sin against You. Forgive us for how our sin has impacted the world and others. Lord Jesus, thank You for dying on the cross and paying the penalty for our sin.

Holy Spirit, thank you for Your abiding presence, and for the grace we need to willingly submit to and obey the Father. Today we choose to commit all our ways to You and trust implicitly in Your Word. We choose to step out from the crowd and stand on Your Word. May the desires of our hearts unite with Your perfect will and eternal purposes, for Your everlasting praise and glory.

Now Blessed Trinity may the same grace that has led us to repentance this day, work in us that we may delight in Your will and walk fully in Your ways, all of our days, to the glory of Your name. **Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (liturgy on screen)

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of the Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be always with you.

And also, with You

CORPORATE AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: Nicene Creed

THE BLESSING & SENDING



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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

Mailing address:

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Weekly Corporate Gatherings:

Sunday Worship Service- 10:00 AM
Discipleship Groups (times vary)

Staff:

Rev. Michael Hammond, Sr. - President & Senior Pastor
Rose Hammond- Receptionist

Order of Worship
Sunday, November 26, 2023

CHRIST THE KING

(**Congregation** responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.)

OPENING DECLARATION & PRAYER

Lift up your heads, O gates, and be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in! Who is the King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle. Lift up your heads, O gates, and lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in! Who is this King of glory! The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory. (prayer)

WORSHIP IN SONG (click the song title for a YouTube track)

[Because of Who You Are](#) [Indescribable](#)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Come, Spirit of the Lord, and speak through us. Send Your Holy Word to be upon our tongues and Your gospel upon our hearts. Speak to us, speak through us, speak among us, for we, Your servants, are listening. In Jesus name we pray and we all agree by saying, **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 95:1-7a (NASB95)

¹O come, let us sing for joy to the Lord,
Let us shout joyfully to the rock of our salvation.

²**Let us come before His presence with thanksgiving,
Let us shout joyfully to Him with psalms.**

³For the Lord is a great God and a great King above all gods,

⁴**In whose hand are the depths of the earth,
The peaks of the mountains are His also.**

⁵The sea is His, for it was He who made it,
And His hands formed the dry land.

⁶**Come, let us worship and bow down,
Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

⁷**For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture
and the sheep of His hand.**

(Quiet Reflection)

WORSHIP IN SONG: HYMN OF THE MONTH

[Give Thanks](#) | View the lyrics [here](#)

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Corinthians 5:20-28 (NASB95)

Leader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word.

(Quiet Reflection)

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 25:31-46 (NASB95)

Reader: The Gospel of the Lord

People: Praise to You Lord Christ

SERMON (10:45 a.m.) <https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl>

(Liturgy continued on the back page)

Authorities we want to remember specifically in prayer this week

MO US House of Rep District 2- Ann Wagner

MO State House of Rep District 102- Richard West

St. Peters Board of Alderman Ward 1- Rocky Reitmeyer

St. Peters Board of Alderman Ward 2-Dr. Greg Satorius

“When He Has Come”

By Oswald Chambers

When He has come, He will convict the world of sin...—John 16:8

Very few of us know anything about conviction of sin. We know the experience of being disturbed because we have done wrong things. But conviction of sin by the Holy Spirit blots out every relationship on earth and makes us aware of only one— “Against You, You only, have I sinned...” (Psalm 51:4). When a person is convicted of sin in this way, he knows with every bit of his conscience that God would not dare to forgive him. If God did forgive him, then this person would have a stronger sense of justice than God. God does forgive, but it cost the breaking of His heart with grief in the death of Christ to enable Him to do so. The great miracle of the grace of God is that He forgives sin, and it is the death of Jesus Christ alone that enables the divine nature to forgive and to remain true to itself in doing so. It is shallow nonsense to say that God forgives us because He is love. Once we have been convicted of sin, we will never say this again. The love of God means Calvary— nothing less! The love of God is spelled out on the Cross and nowhere else. The only basis for which God can forgive me is the Cross of Christ. It is there that His conscience is satisfied.

Forgiveness doesn’t merely mean that I am saved from hell and have been made ready for heaven (no one would accept forgiveness on that level). Forgiveness means that I am forgiven into a newly created relationship which identifies me with God in Christ. The miracle of redemption is that God turns me, the unholy one, into the standard of Himself, the Holy One. He does this by putting into me a new nature, the nature of Jesus Christ.

Announcements

Leadership Meeting: Our monthly leadership meeting will be today immediately following our worship gathering. All covenant partners should plan to attend.

Agape Meal: Our love feast will be next Sunday, December 3rd. Please make sure you have signed up with the dish you are bringing.