

Morning Prayer

If you have a birthday or anniversary this week (or had one last week), text your name to 512-290-9967 so that we can pray for you by name at the end of the service.

OPENING SONG

The people stand.

O Worship the King

Words: Robert Grant (based on Psalm 104), 1833; Music: Lyons, Joseph Martin Kraus, 1784

O worship the King, all glorious above,
O gratefully sing his pow'r and his love;
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, thy power hath founded of old;
Established it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

O measureless might! Ineffable love!

While angels delight to hymn thee above,
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall all sing thy praise.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,
In thee do we trust, nor find thee to fail;
Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end,
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

OPENING SENTENCE

OFFICIANT Thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who
 inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: "I dwell in the
 high and holy place, and also with him who is of a
 contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly,
 and to revive the heart of the contrite."

Isaiah 57:15

CONFESSION OF SIN

The people kneel.

OFFICIANT
Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

ALL
***Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.***

*We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.*

OFFICIANT

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The people stand.

INVITATORY

OFFICIANT O Lord, open our lips;

PEOPLE *And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.*

OFFICIANT O God, make speed to save us;

PEOPLE *O Lord, make haste to help us.*

OFFICIANT Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

PEOPLE *As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.
Amen.*

OFFICIANT Praise the Lord.

PEOPLE *The Lord's Name be praised.*

CONGREGATIONAL SONG

Praise the Lord, All Praise and Blessing

Words and music by Joel Blomqvist (1840–1930) and Matt Scott, 2012

Praise the Lord, all praise and blessing
Render to his mighty name,
Thank him ever for his goodness,
Now and evermore the same.
Now and evermore the same.

He created earth and heaven
Deepest sea, and all therein
Smallest creature, highest being
Let your anthems now begin
Let your anthems now begin

*Everything that you have made is beautiful.
Everything that you have made is good.
Everything that you have made is beautiful.
Everything that you have made is good.*

Stars above in brilliant glory,
Sun that scatters wide its gold,
Birds aloft all join the chorus,
Every creature, young and old!
Every creature, young and old!

The people sit.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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CHILDREN’S SERMON

Let the Flame Burn Brighter

Let the flame burn brighter
In the heart of the darkness
Turning night to glorious day
Let the song grow louder
As our love grows stronger
Let it shine, let it shine, let it shine

Terrice’s video

THE PSALM APPOINTED

The people stand.

LECTOR Let us pray **Psalm 95** responsively by whole verse.

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 *Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.*
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, *
 and a great King above all gods.
- 4 *In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
 and the heights of the hills are his also.*
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
 and his hands have molded the dry land.

6 *Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and 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. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

Psalm 95

ALL *Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.*

The people sit.

THE LESSON

LECTOR A reading from the revelation of John.

^{8:1} When the Lamb opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven for about half an hour. ² Then I saw the seven angels who stand before God, and seven trumpets were given to them. ³ And another angel came and stood at the altar with a golden censer, and he was given much incense to offer with the prayers of all the saints on the golden altar before the throne, ⁴ and the smoke of the incense, with the prayers of the saints, rose before God from the hand of the angel. ⁵ Then the angel took the censer and filled it with fire from the altar and threw it on the earth, and there were peals of thunder, rumblings, flashes of lightning, and an earthquake.

Revelation 8:1–5 (ESV)

LECTOR The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

THE HOMILY

THE APOSTLES' CREED

The people stand.

OFFICIANT AND PEOPLE

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.*

THE PRAYERS

The people kneel or stand.

LECTOR The Lord is here.

PEOPLE *And his Spirit is with us.*

LECTOR Let us pray.

ALL

*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 trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.*

OFFICIANT O Lord, show your mercy upon us;
PEOPLE *And grant us your salvation.*

OFFICIANT O Lord, guide those who govern us;
PEOPLE *And lead us in the way of justice and truth.*

OFFICIANT Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
PEOPLE *And let your people sing with joy.*

OFFICIANT O Lord, save your people;
PEOPLE *And bless your inheritance.*

OFFICIANT Give peace in our time, O Lord;
PEOPLE *And defend us by your mighty power.*

OFFICIANT Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
PEOPLE *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*

OFFICIANT Create in us clean hearts, O God;
PEOPLE *And take not your Holy Spirit from us.*

LECTOR

Set us free, loving Father, from the bondage of our sins, and in your goodness and mercy give us the liberty of that abundant life which

you have made known to us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

LECTOR & PEOPLE

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the Cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. Amen.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion:

ALL

Dear Jesus, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to possess you within my soul. And since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I beseech you to come spiritually into my heart. I unite myself to you, together with all your faithful people, and I embrace you with all the affections of my soul. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

The people sit.

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

On a typical Sunday when we are physically together, we pass the peace of the Lord to each other simply by turning to those around us and saying, “The peace of Christ to you,” or “God’s peace.” We would like to invite you now to pass the peace not only to those who may be sitting with you at home, but also to friends and loved ones who are in other locations, perhaps through a text or other messaging app.

CELEBRANT The peace of the Lord be always with you.

PEOPLE *And also with you.*

Birthday names are read.

PRAYER FOR BIRTHDAYS

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Anniversary names are read.

PRAYER FOR ANNIVERSARIES

O God, you have so blessed the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send your blessing upon these your children, that their lives together may continue to reflect your love and forgiveness and that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; we pray in Christ's name. Amen.

OFFERING & CONGREGATIONAL SONGS

We invite you to give online at christchurchofaustin.org/give. If your giving comes in by check, we are still receiving mail.

All Things Rise

Sam Yoder

God, how beautiful your Holy Word
That formed the worlds in such goodness
O, the shame that we would spurn it all
To turn and fall into darkness

God, we'll sing how through your Son you turned
This loss and hurt into glory
How when scorned in death you raised him up

His gain's become the whole world's story

*Let all things rise and bless your name
All things made right and new again
O Lord our God, your goodness is free and boundless
Is reaching endless through it all*

And on this road with every step we take
Your faithfulness is our portion
You've prepared a city bright and fair
Whose gates forever stay open

Son of God, in you we've taken up
The way of love's occupation
O, the joy to share in your reward
The stunning turn of new creation

*Let all things rise and bless your name
All things made right and new again
Let all things rise and bless your name
All things made right and new again
O Lord our God, your goodness is free and boundless
Is reaching endless through it all*

Just as you promised, God, your Son was raised up
In him, we'll follow, in him we'll all be raised up

O Lord, you've made yourself a home
Heaven and earth forever one
All things once sown in weakness you raise in promise
Your beauty arches above it all

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The General Thanksgiving

Ryan Flanigan, 2016

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
Here we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks,
For you are good and full of loving-kindness,
Pouring out your love to us and all whom you have made.
We bless you, Lord,
For our creation, preservation, and the blessings of this life;
But most of all for your immeasurable love,
The redemption of the world by Jesus Christ;
For the means of grace, and the hope of glory.

And give us such awareness of your mercies,
That with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
Not only with our lips, but in our whole lives,
Giving up our selves to serve you, walking in your ways,
In holiness and righteousness all of our days;
And now through Jesus Christ our Lord,
To whom, with you and with the Holy Spirit raise
All the honor and the praise forevermore. Amen. Amen.

THE DISMISSAL

OFFICIANT Let us bless the Lord.

PEOPLE *Thanks be to God.*

OFFICIANT May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in
believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Romans 15:13

If you would like receive prayer today, you can call in to or join the prayer team through video conference at the end of the service; see our website for the link.

CLOSING SONG

Psalm 62 (My Soul Finds Rest)

Aaron Keyes and Stuart Townend

My soul finds rest in God alone,
My rock and my salvation
A fortress strong against my foes,
And I will not be shaken.
Though lips may bless and hearts may curse
And lies like arrows pierce me
I'll fix my heart on righteousness,
I'll look to him who hears me.

*O praise him, hallelujah,
My delight and my reward
Everlasting, never failing,
My Redeemer, my God.*

Find rest my soul in God alone
Amid the world's temptations
When evil seeks to take a hold,
I'll cling to my salvation
Though riches come and riches go,
Don't set your heart upon them
The fields of hope in which I sow
Are harvested in heaven

I'll set my gaze on God alone
And trust in him completely
With every day pour out my soul
And he will prove his mercy
Though life is but a fleeting breath,
A sigh too brief to measure
My King has crushed the curse of death
And I am his forever

