



King of Kings

15th Sunday after Trinity
September 17th, 2023

AS WE GATHER

TODAY'S THEME

Paul told the Christians in ancient Galatia to “bear one another’s burdens” to “not lose heart in doing good”. We are to do good to all people, especially to those who are of the household of the faith (Gal. 6:10). This can be summarized in the Great Commandment to love our neighbors as we love ourselves. This can be likened to the way God loved us, bearing our burdens through Jesus, and helping us through our impossible struggles.

WELCOME

Good morning! We are glad you are with us today. If you need assistance this morning, please feel free to speak to an usher. They are near the glass doors at the back of the room. Our Nursery and Cry Room are on the right side of the Sanctuary. Feel free to use them! We ask that you to please clean up after your child(ren).

HOLY COMMUNION

We are celebrating the sacrament of Holy Communion today. We invite those desiring to be guests at the Lord's Table who:

1. believe Jesus Christ is their God and Savior;
2. are baptized into the Christian faith through God's Triune name;
3. confess sin, seek the assurance of forgiveness, and intend, with God's help, to amend their sinful life; and
4. believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine the person receives the true body and blood of Christ for the forgiveness of sins.

More information about what we believe is available on our website: www.KingofKingsTX.org/what-we-believe

Our process begins when the Ushers direct people forward to the altar rail.

- Wafers of bread are given first. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.
- Red wine is offered next in the small cups in the tray. Alcohol-free white grape juice is available in the cups in the center of the tray.
- The pastor will give a blessing to children and to those who desire to have a blessing rather than Communion. Simply cross your arms over your chest at the rail to receive a blessing.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRE-SERVICE VIDEO

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Selected verses from Psalm 66

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Pastor: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;

People: sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise!

Pastor: Say to God, "How awesome are Your deeds!

People: All the earth worships You and sings praises to You; they sing praises to Your name."

Pastor: Come and see what God has done:

People: He is awesome in His deeds toward the children of man.

Pastor: Bless our God, O peoples;

People: let the sound of His praise be heard.

Pastor: Glory be to the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

People: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

OPENING SONG: Glorious Day

I was buried beneath my shame
Who could carry that kind of weight
It was my tomb 'til I met You

I was breathing but not alive
All my failures I tried to hide
It was my tomb 'til I met You

CHORUS

<p>('Cause when) You called my name And I ran out of that grave Out of the darkness into Your glorious day You called my name and I ran out of that grave Out of the darkness into Your glorious day</p>

Now Your mercy has saved my soul
Now Your freedom is all that I know
The old made new Jesus when I met You

CHORUS

I needed rescue my sin was heavy
But chains break at the weight of Your glory
I needed shelter I was an orphan
Now You call me a citizen of Heaven
When I was broken You were my healing
Now Your love is the air that I'm breathing
I have a future my eyes are open

CHORUS

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CONFESSING OUR SINS

Pastor: Do you confess to almighty God that you are a poor, miserable sinner?

People: Yes.

Pastor: Do you confess to our merciful Father that you have sinned against Him in thought, word, and deed?

People: Yes.

Pastor: Do you believe that our Lord Jesus Christ died for you and shed His blood for you on the cross for the forgiveness of all your sins?

People: Yes.

Pastor: Do you pray God, for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of His beloved Son, to be gracious and merciful to you?

People: Yes.

Pastor: Finally, do you believe that my forgiveness is God's forgiveness?

People: Yes.

WORDS OF FORGIVENESS

Pastor: Let it be done for you as you believe. In the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God! Amen.

GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: O Lord, we beg You, let Your continual concern cleanse and defend Your Church;

People: and always preserve her by Your help and goodness because she cannot continue in safety without Your help.

Pastor: We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 17:8–16

⁸Then the word of the LORD came to [Elijah], ⁹“Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. Behold, I have commanded a widow there to feed you.” ¹⁰So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, behold, a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Bring me a little water in a vessel, that I may drink.” ¹¹And as she was going to bring it, he called to her and said, “Bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” ¹²And she said, “As the LORD your God lives, I have nothing baked, only a handful of flour in a jar and a little oil in a jug. And now I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it and die.” ¹³And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said. But first make me a little cake of it and bring it to me, and afterward make something for yourself and your son. ¹⁴For thus says the LORD the God of Israel, ‘The jar of flour shall not be spent, and the jug of oil shall not be empty, until the day that the LORD sends rain upon the earth.’” ¹⁵And she went and did as Elijah said. And she and he and her household ate for many days. ¹⁶The jar of flour was not spent, neither did the jug of oil become empty, according to the word of the LORD that he spoke by Elijah.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING: Galatians 9:25—6:10

²⁵If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. ²⁶Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another.

¹Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. ²Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ³For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. ⁴But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. ⁵For each will have to bear his own load.

⁶One who is taught the word must share all good things with the one who teaches. ⁷Do not be deceived: God is not mocked, for whatever one sows, that will he also reap. ⁸For the one who sows to his own flesh will from the flesh reap corruption, but the one who sows to the Spirit will from the Spirit reap eternal life. ⁹And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if

we do not give up. ¹⁰So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 6:24–34

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the sixth chapter.

People: Glory to You, O Lord.

²⁴[Jesus said:] “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴“Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to You, O Christ.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles’ Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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 sits 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 Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Pastor Brynestad

SONG OF THE DAY: Build My Life

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

CHORUS

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love to those around me

REPEAT SONG

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

CHORUS 2x

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THE MESSAGE: Do God to the Family

Galatians 5:25-6:10

THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

(After each prayer)

Pastor: ...Lord, in Your mercy:

People: Hear our prayer.

(Last prayer)

Pastor: All this we ask in the name of Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People: 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 forever and ever. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PASSING THE PEACE

People may greet one another saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22-24; Eph. 4:1-13).

H O L Y C O M M U N I O N

PREFACE

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Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Lord our God, for You have called us as Your people and have shown us Your kindness. Confident of Your love and assured of Your mercy, we come before You, asking that we may receive Your blessings with heartfelt thanksgiving. Pour out upon us the gift of Your Holy Spirit and grant that we receive the body and blood of our Lord as a guarantee of our salvation and a foretaste of the feast to come in Your eternal kingdom. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and praise, together with the Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

People: Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

THE LORD'S PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you. Amen.

THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

SONG: Goodness of God

I love You Lord
Oh Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

CHORUS

**All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God**

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

CHORUS

Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me
With my life laid down
I'm surrendered now
I give You everything
Your goodness is running after
It's running after me

CHORUS 2x

SONG: King of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting
Without hope without light
Till from Heaven You came running
There was mercy in Your eyes
To fulfil the law and prophets
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory
To a cradle in the dirt

CHORUS

**Praise the Father
Praise the Son Praise the Spirit three in one
God of Glory
Majesty
Praise forever to the King of kings**

To reveal the kingdom coming
And to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation
You did not despise the cross
For even in Your suffering
You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation
Jesus for our sake You died
And the morning that You rose
All of heaven held its breath
Till that stone was moved for good
For the Lamb had conquered death
And the dead rose from their tombs
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come
To the Father are restored

CHORUS

And the Church of Christ was born
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old
Shall not kneel shall not faint
By His blood and in His Name
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ
Who has resurrected me

CHORUS

SONG: Cornerstone

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name

CHORUS

**Christ alone
Cornerstone
Weak made strong
In the Savior's love
Through the storm
He is Lord, Lord of all**

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

CHORUS

He is Lord, Lord of all

CHORUS

When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

CHORUS

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CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor: O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh,

People: we thank You that for His sake You have given us forgiveness and peace in this Sacrament.

Pastor: We ask You to not abandon Your children

People: but to always rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled to constantly serve You.

Pastor: We pray this through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 13:14

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG: Doxology (Amen)

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above you heav'nly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost

Praise God for all that He has done
Praise Him for He has overcome
The grave is beaten love has won
Praise God our Savior Christ the Son

CHORUS

**Amen Amen Amen
God we praise You
God we praise You**

REPEAT CHORUS

Oh we're singing
Amen amen amen
Amen Amen Amen
We praise You we praise You

REPEAT

CHORUS

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SENDING

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

SERVING OUR LORD IN WORSHIP

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