



**Christ the Saviour
Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Krakow**

WORSHIP ORDER

May 22nd 2022
Fifth Sunday after Easter

Welcome to all worshippers to the Christ the Saviour Evangelical Presbyterian congregation in Krakow. As you enter the sanctuary, please feel free to greet one another. When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of God.

PRELUDE - *Reflection before the service. Silence is kept.*

HYMN - *All stand.*

Crown Him with Many Crowns

1 Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark! how the heavenly anthem
drowns
all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave,
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save;
his glories now we sing
who died and rose on high,
who died eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

3 Crown him the Lord of love;
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified;
no angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bends their
burning eye
at mysteries so bright.

4 Crown him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
for thou hast died for me;
thy praise shall never, never fail
throughout eternity.

THE GREETING

Celebrant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CONFESSION

Call to confession

Celebrant: Humbling ourselves before God's majesty, let us profess to Him and to our brethren, our sins.

Silentium

All: Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Celebrant: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

— Psalm 32:1-2, ESV

GLORIA

“Alleluja”

M. Leontovych

$\text{♩} = 120$

A - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu - ja. A - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu -

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RESPONSIVE PSALM

Celebrant: Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion! Tell among the peoples his deeds!

All: Be gracious to me, O LORD! See my affliction from those who hate me,

Celebrant: The wicked shall return to Sheol, all the nations that forget God.

All: For the needy shall not always be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish forever.

Celebrant: Arise, O LORD! Let not man prevail; let the nations be judged before you!

All: Put them in fear, O LORD! Let the nations know that they are but men!

Celebrant: I may rejoice in your salvation.

— Ps. 9:11, 13a, 14, 17-20 (ESV)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the Book of Psalm 107:21-32

Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! ²²And let them offer sacrifices of thanksgiving, and tell of his deeds in songs of joy! ²³Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the great waters; ²⁴they saw the deeds of the Lord, his wondrous works in the deep. ²⁵For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea. ²⁶They mounted up to heaven; they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their evil plight; ²⁷they reeled and staggered like drunken men and were at their wits' end. ²⁸Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress. ²⁹He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed. ³⁰Then they were glad that the waters were quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven. ³¹Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! ³²Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.

All: Thanks be to God.

All sit.

New Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the book of Acts 27

And when it was decided that we should sail for Italy, they delivered Paul and some other prisoners to a centurion of the Augustan Cohort named Julius. ²And embarking in a ship of Adramyttium, which was about to sail to the ports along the coast of Asia, we put to sea, accompanied by Aristarchus, a Macedonian from Thessalonica. ³The next day we put in at Sidon. And Julius treated Paul kindly and gave him leave to go to his friends and be cared for. ⁴And putting out to sea from there we sailed under the lee of Cyprus, because the winds were against us. ⁵And when we had sailed across the open sea along the coast of Cilicia and Pamphylia, we came to Myra in Lycia. ⁶There the centurion found a ship of Alexandria sailing for Italy and put us on board. ⁷We sailed slowly for a number of days and arrived with difficulty off Cnidus, and as the wind did not allow us to go farther, we sailed under the lee of Crete off Salmone. ⁸Coasting along it with difficulty, we came to a place called Fair Havens, near which was the city of Lasea.

⁹Since much time had passed, and the voyage was now dangerous because even the Fast was already over, Paul advised them, ¹⁰saying, "Sirs, I perceive that the voyage will be with injury and much loss, not only of the cargo and the ship, but also of our lives." ¹¹But the centurion paid more attention to the pilot and to the owner of the

ship than to what Paul said. ¹²And because the harbor was not suitable to spend the winter in, the majority decided to put out to sea from there, on the chance that somehow they could reach Phoenix, a harbor of Crete, facing both southwest and northwest, and spend the winter there.

¹³Now when the south wind blew gently, supposing that they had obtained their purpose, they weighed anchor and sailed along Crete, close to the shore. ¹⁴But soon a tempestuous wind, called the northeaster, struck down from the land. ¹⁵And when the ship was caught and could not face the wind, we gave way to it and were driven along. ¹⁶Running under the lee of a small island called Cauda, we managed with difficulty to secure the ship's boat. ¹⁷After hoisting it up, they used supports to undergird the ship. Then, fearing that they would run aground on the Syrtis, they lowered the gear, and thus they were driven along. ¹⁸Since we were violently storm-tossed, they began the next day to jettison the cargo. ¹⁹And on the third day they threw the ship's tackle overboard with their own hands. ²⁰When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest lay on us, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.

²¹Since they had been without food for a long time, Paul stood up among them and said, "Men, you should have listened to me and not have set sail from Crete and incurred this injury and loss. ²²Yet now I urge you to take heart, for there will be no loss of life among you, but only of the ship. ²³For this very night there stood before me an angel of the God to whom I belong and whom I worship, ²⁴and he said, 'Do not be afraid, Paul; you must stand before Caesar. And behold, God has granted you all those who sail with you.' ²⁵So take heart, men, for I have faith in God that it will be exactly as I have been told. ²⁶But we must run aground on some island."

²⁷When the fourteenth night had come, as we were being driven across the Adriatic Sea, about midnight the sailors suspected that they were nearing land. ²⁸So they took a sounding and found twenty fathoms. A little farther on they took a sounding again and found fifteen fathoms. ²⁹And fearing that we might run on the rocks, they let down four anchors from the stern and prayed for day to come. ³⁰And as the sailors were seeking to escape from the ship, and had lowered the ship's boat into the sea under pretense of laying out anchors from the bow, ³¹Paul said to the centurion and the soldiers, "Unless these men stay in the ship, you cannot be saved." ³²Then the soldiers cut away the ropes of the ship's boat and let it go.

³³As day was about to dawn, Paul urged them all to take some food, saying, "Today is the fourteenth day that you have continued in suspense and without food, having taken nothing. ³⁴Therefore I urge you to take some food. For it will give you strength, for not a hair is to perish from the head of any of you." ³⁵And when he had said these things, he took bread, and giving thanks to God in the presence of all he broke it and began to eat. ³⁶Then they all were encouraged and ate some food

themselves.³⁷ (We were in all 276 persons in the ship.)³⁸ And when they had eaten enough, they lightened the ship, throwing out the wheat into the sea.

³⁹ Now when it was day, they did not recognize the land, but they noticed a bay with a beach, on which they planned if possible to run the ship ashore.⁴⁰ So they cast off the anchors and left them in the sea, at the same time loosening the ropes that tied the rudders. Then hoisting the foresail to the wind they made for the beach.⁴¹ But striking a reef, they ran the vessel aground. The bow stuck and remained immovable, and the stern was being broken up by the surf.⁴² The soldiers' plan was to kill the prisoners, lest any should swim away and escape.⁴³ But the centurion, wishing to save Paul, kept them from carrying out their plan. He ordered those who could swim to jump overboard first and make for the land,⁴⁴ and the rest on planks or on pieces of the ship. And so it was that all were brought safely to land.

Lector: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Celebrant: Together with the church on the west, let us profess our faith by words of the Apostles' Creed.

All stand.

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,* the Creator of heaven and earth,* and in Jesus Christ,* His only Son, our Lord,* who was conceived of 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 arose again from the dead.* He ascended into heaven* and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,* from whence He shall 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 life everlasting.* Amen.

HYMN

All Creatures of Our God and King

1 All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing:
alleluia, alleluia!

O burning sun with golden beam,
and shining moon with silver gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

2 O rushing wind so wild and strong,
white clouds that sail in heaven along,
alleluia, alleluia!

New rising dawn in praise rejoice;
you lights of evening find a voice:
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

3 All you who are of tender heart,
forgiving others, take your part;
alleluia, alleluia!
All you who pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care:
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

4 Let all things their Creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

PRAYER

*Celebrant says the prayer aloud to which the congregation responds: **Amen.***

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: Our Father in heaven,* hallowed be your name,* your kingdom come,*
your will be done,* on earth as in heaven.* Give us today our daily bread.*
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.* Lead us not
into temptation* but deliver us from evil.* For the kingdom, the power,*
and the glory are yours* now and for ever.* Amen.

All stand.

SANCTUS

Sung in Polish

[Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God of hosts
Heaven and earth are full of His glory.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna in the highest].

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Words of Institution

Celebrant: The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given, he broke it, and said, *This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, *This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.* For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes

Prayer before Communion

Celebrant: Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (1 Cor. 11:27-28)

All: For as often as we eat the bread* and drink the cup,* we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor. 11:26)

Celebrant: Let us pray for a worthy reception of the Lord's supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy of coming at your table, but say the word, and my soul shall be healed. (Luke 7:7)

Celebrant: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Giving of Communion

Please mind that only the baptised members of a Christian Church are allowed to participate in communion.

CLOSING AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray...

*The congregation while sitting pray in silence. After a moment of prayer, the celebrant comes out and says a prayer, to which the church responds: **Amen.***

All stand.

An offering will be collected during the closing hymn.

HYMN

From the Depths of Woe

- *Martin Luther*

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee
The voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark,
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before Thee?

To wash away the crimson stain,
Grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! Are all in vain;
In much the best life faileth;
No man can glory in Thy sight,
All must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy

Therefore my trust is in the Lord,
And not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His word
Upholds my fainting spirit;
His promised mercy is my fort,
My comfort and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience

What though I wait the live-long night,
And til the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in His might;
It doubteth not nor feareth;
Do thus, O ye of Israels seed,
Ye of the Spirit born indeed;
And wait til God appeareth

Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows,
Our upmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He,
Who will at last His Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow

During the closing song an offering will be collected. If you are a guest in our church, please do not feel obliged to participate in this part of worship.

All sit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

All stand.

DISMISSAL

Benediction

Celebrant: *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace (Numbers 6:24-26).*

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

DOXOLOGY

Amen (potrójne)

Amen (triple)



POSTLUDE

UPCOMING EVENTS

29 / 05 Worship service (with translation into English and Ukrainian)

Sunday, 11:00 Center for Jewish Culture (Meiselsa 17)

29 / 05 Membership preparation class

Sunday, 17:00 Church office (Smolki 8)

Online donations for the church are payable to:

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*Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! Psalm 95:6*

