



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

WORSHIP ORDER

September 25th, 2022
15th Sunday after Holy Trinity

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.

Please make sure to take a simultaneous translation device in the lobby. Should you have any issues with the device during the service, please feel free to come up to the station where you received it. We kindly advise you bring your own wire headphones to church next time.

PRELUDE

HYMN

All stand.

How Great Thou Art.

1. O Lord my God,
when I in awesome wonder,
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

**Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
how great Thou, how great Thou art!
Then signs my soul, my Saviour God, to Thee,
how great Thou art, how great Thou art.**

2. When through the woods,
and forest glades I wander,
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur
And hear the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

3. And when I think, that God,
His Son not sparing;
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing,
He bled and died to take away my sin.

4. When Christ shall come,
with shout of acclamation,
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.
Then shall I bow, in humble adoration,
And then proclaim, My God, how great Thou art!

5. O Lord my God,
when I in awesome wonder,
consider all the worlds Thy hands have made;
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

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: O Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and we have gotten into trouble, for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether. To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face. O Lord, great God, all holy, filled with awe, Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy. On the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Celebrant: To all those who have sincerely repent Scripture says: *And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.*

– Colossians 2:13-14; 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 -

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

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Celebrant: The LORD reigns, let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be glad! Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne. Fire goes before him and burns up his adversaries all around. His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles.

All: The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth. The heavens proclaim his righteousness, and all the peoples see his glory.

Celebrant: All worshipers of images are put to shame, who make their boast in worthless idols; worship him, all you gods! Zion hears and is glad, and the daughters of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O LORD.

All: For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth;
you are exalted far above all gods.

Celebrant: O you who love the LORD, hate evil! He preserves the lives of his saints; he delivers them from the hand of the wicked.

All: Light is sown for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart.

Celebrant: Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

— Ps. 97 (ESV)

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the Book of Psalms (20:1-9; ESV).

¹ May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! ² May he send you help from the sanctuary and give you

support from Zion! ³ May he remember all your offerings and regard with favor your burnt sacrifices! Selah ⁴ May he grant you your heart's desire and fulfill all your plans! ⁵ May we shout for joy over your salvation, and in the name of our God set up our banners! May the Lord fulfill all your petitions! ⁶ Now I know that the Lord saves his anointed; he will answer him from his holy heaven with the saving might of his right hand. ⁷ Some trust in chariots and some in horses, but we trust in the name of the Lord our God. ⁸ They collapse and fall, but we rise and stand upright. ⁹ O Lord, save the king! May he answer us when we call.

Lector: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the Gospel of Saint Mark (9:14-29; ESV).

¹⁴ And when they came to the disciples, they saw a great crowd around them, and scribes arguing with them. ¹⁵ And immediately all the crowd, when they saw him, were greatly amazed and ran up to him and greeted him. ¹⁶ And he asked them, "What are you arguing about with them?" ¹⁷ And someone from the crowd answered him, "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a spirit that makes him mute. ¹⁸ And whenever it seizes him, it throws him down, and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid. So I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." ¹⁹ And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." ²⁰ And they brought the boy to him. And when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. ²¹ And Jesus asked his father, "How long has this been happening to him?" And he said, "From childhood. ²² And it has often cast him into fire and into water, to destroy him. But if you can do anything, have compassion on us and help us." ²³ And Jesus said to him, "'If you can! All things are possible for one who believes.'" ²⁴ Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" ²⁵ And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You mute and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him and never enter him again." ²⁶ And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse, so that most of them said, "He is dead." ²⁷ But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. ²⁸ And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it

out?"²⁹ And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer."

Lector: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON – Rev. Mikael Romer, "Genuine faith"

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Celebrant: Together with the Church in 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

What can wash away my sin

1. What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

**O precious is the flow
that makes me white as snow;
No other fount I know;
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.**

2. For my pardon this I see:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
For my cleansing this my plea:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

3. Nothing can for sin atone:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
Naught of good that I have done:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

4. This is all my hope and peace:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.
This is all my righteousness:
Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

All sit.

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

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
/ Hosanna in the highest. /x3

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
/ Hosanna in the highest. /x3

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 thanks, 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. (1 Cor. 11:27)

All: Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (1 Cor. 11:28)

Celebrant: Come, then, for all is ready. (Luke 14:17)

All: I am not worthy that you should come under my roof; but speak one word only, Lord, and I shall be healed. (Lue 7:7)

Celebrant: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. (Ps 118:26)

All: I shall receive the bread of heaven. I shall drink the cup of salvation.

Giving of Communion

The white wine on the tray is alcohol free.

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. 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.

HYMN

Blessed assurance

1. Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!
Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,
born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

**This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long;
This is my story, this is my song,
praising my Saviour all the day long!**

2. Perfect submission, perfect delight,

Visions of rapture now burst on my sight;
Angels, descending, bring from above
Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

3. Perfect submission, all is at rest,
I in my Savior am happy and blest,
Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Let there be glory and honour and praises
Glory and honour to Jesus
Glory, honour
Glory and honour to Him

POSTLUDE

UPCOMING EVENTS

02 / 10

Sunday, 11:00

Worship service (with translation into English and Ukrainian)

Center for Jewish Culture (Meiselsa 17)

14-16 / 10

Church retreat

Hotel Maria, Park Dolny 10, Szczawnica

Registration form:



People who can play **musical instruments** are wanted.

Please contact Rev. Mikael Romer if you would like to serve the church by playing during worship services. Also, we are looking for a person interested in running our **church library**. If you are interested, please contact us.

Rev. Mikael Romer: tel. 536 794 127, romer_mikael@hotmail.com

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Offerings received last week: 200 złoty.

All up to date events including this bulletin can be found on our church's website: www.kosciolzbawiciela.pl Please check the church's Facebook page for updates: facebook.com/kosciolzbawiciela

Some trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.
Psalm 20:7

