



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

WORSHIP ORDER

January 28th, 2023
Last Sunday after Epiphany

Welcome to the Christ the Saviour Evangelical Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Poland, 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. If 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 to bring your own wire headphones to church.

PRELUDE

All stand.

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!

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 of sins

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

Examination of conscience in silence

All: Merciful God, in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world. Although Christ is among us as our peace, we are a people divided against ourselves as we cling to the values of a broken world. The profit and pleasures we pursue lay waste the land and pollute the seas. The fears and jealousies that we harbor set neighbor against neighbour and nation against nation. We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom, of intellect and reason, and turn them into bonds of oppression. Lord, have mercy upon us; heal and forgive us. Set us free to serve you in the world as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Celebrant: To all those who have sincerely repented Scripture says: *In Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation [...]* For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

– 2 Corinthians 5:19, 21; ESV

GLORIA

♩ = 120

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RESPONSIVE PSALM – Ps 137 (ESV)

Celebrant: By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept, when we remembered Zion. On the willows there we hung up our lyres.

All: For there our captors required of us songs, and our tormentors, mirth, saying, “Sing us one of the songs of Zion!” How shall we sing the LORD’s song in a foreign land?

Celebrant: If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill!

All: Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy!

Celebrant: Remember, O LORD, against the Edomites the day of Jerusalem, how they said, “Lay it bare, lay it bare, down to its foundations!”

All: O daughter of Babylon, doomed to be destroyed;

Celebrant: Blessed shall he be who repays you with what you have done to us! Blessed shall he be who takes your little ones and dashes them against the rock!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the Book of Deuteronomy (31:7-13; ESV).

⁷ Then Moses summoned Joshua and said to him in the sight of all Israel, “Be strong and courageous, for you shall go with this people into the land that the Lord has sworn to their fathers to give them, and you shall put them in possession of it. ⁸ It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you. Do not fear or be dismayed.”

⁹ Then Moses wrote this law and gave it to the priests, the sons of Levi, who carried the ark of the covenant of the Lord, and to all the elders of Israel. ¹⁰ And Moses commanded them, "At the end of every seven years, at the set time in the year of release, at the Feast of Booths, ¹¹ when all Israel comes to appear before the Lord your God at the place that he will choose, you shall read this law before all Israel in their hearing. ¹² Assemble the people, men, women, and little ones, and the sojourner within your towns, that they may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God, and be careful to do all the words of this law, ¹³ and that their children, who have not known it, may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God, as long as you live in the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess."

Lector: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the Epistle to Romans (7:7-25; ESV).

⁷ What then shall we say? That the law is sin? By no means! Yet if it had not been for the law, I would not have known sin. For I would not have known what it is to covet if the law had not said, "You shall not covet." ⁸ But sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, produced in me all kinds of covetousness. For apart from the law, sin lies dead. ⁹ I was once alive apart from the law, but when the commandment came, sin came alive and I died. ¹⁰ The very commandment that promised life proved to be death to me. ¹¹ For sin, seizing an opportunity through the commandment, deceived me and through it killed me. ¹² So the law is holy, and the commandment is holy and righteous and good.

¹³ Did that which is good, then, bring death to me? By no means! It was sin, producing death in me through what is good, in order that sin might be shown to be sin, and through the commandment might become sinful beyond measure. ¹⁴ For we know that the law is spiritual, but I am of the flesh, sold under sin. ¹⁵ For I do not understand my own actions. For I do not do what I want, but I do the very thing I hate. ¹⁶ Now if I do what I do not want, I agree with the law, that it is good. ¹⁷ So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me. ¹⁸ For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out.

¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

²¹ So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand.

²² For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, ²³ but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. ²⁴ Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin.

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SERMON – Rev. Joel Spence

PROFESSION OF FAITH

Celebrant: Together with the Church in the West, let us profess our faith with the 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 – Come Thou Font of every Blessing

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing;
tune my heart to sing thy grace;
streams of mercy, never ceasing,
call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet,
sung by flaming tongues above;

praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it,
mount of God's unchanging love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer;
hither by thy help I'm come;
and I hope, by thy good pleasure,
safely to arrive at home.

Jesus sought me when a stranger,
wandering from the fold of God;
he, to rescue me from danger,
interposed his precious blood.

3. Oh, that day when freed from sinning
I shall see Thy lovely face
Clothed then in blood washed linen
How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace

Come my Lord, no longer tarry
Take my ransomed soul away
Send Thine angels now to carry
Me to realms of endless days

4. O to grace how great a debtor
daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now, like a fetter,
bind my wandering heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
prone to leave the God I love;
here's my heart; O take and seal it;
seal it for thy courts above.

All sit.

PRAYER

The 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 Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!

God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

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. 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: 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 (Luke 7:6-7).

Celebrant: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord (Psalm 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 baptised members of a Christian Church are allowed to participate in communion.

CLOSING AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant: Let us pray...

*The congregation while sitting prays in silence. After a moment of prayer, the celebrant stands and prays, 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 the worship.

HYMN – Amazing Grace

1. Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound,
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.
2. 'Twas Grace that taught my heart to fear.
And Grace, my fears relieved.
How precious did that Grace appear
The hour I first believed.
3. Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far
And Grace will lead me home.
4. When we've been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun.
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

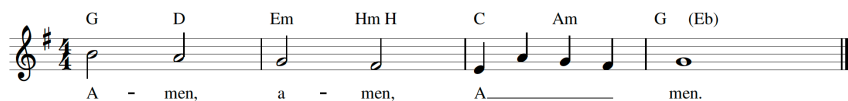
ANNOUNCEMENTS

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:



Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

DOXOLOGY

Now unto Him, who is able to keep,
Able to keep us from failing,
And present us faultless,
Before the presence of His glory,
With exceeding joy.

To the only wise God our Saviour,
Be glory and majesty,
Dominion and power,
Both now and forever.
Amen.

POSTLUDE



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Weekly Event Program

29.01-4.02.2024

3.02

Sat, 14:00

Krasickiego 14

VIBE. MEETING FOR TEENAGERS

18:00

Krasickiego, 14

BIBLE STUDY

In Ukrainian

4.02

Sun, 17:00

Wadowicka, 8G

SUNDAY SERVICE

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IN KRAKOW

Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!
Romans 7:25a

