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Christ the Rock's Mission:

To grow in faith and boldly proclaim Christ crucified and risen to all people of the Four Corners.

WELCOME TO CHRIST THE ROCK!

We are glad you are here today.

- Youngsters are encouraged to sit with the congregation in the main worship area. However, if your child becomes restless, feel free to use our **family quiet room** at the rear of the sanctuary.
- A **nursery** with a television displaying today's service is also available.
- **Restrooms** are located through the double doors and to the left.
- Out of consideration for others, **please silence all electronic devices.**

What are you focused on? Work? School Family? Sometimes we focus on our phones, a TV series, or a good book. We have so many good things that God has given us, but for these next three weeks let's set aside all the distractions and focus on Jesus. As we look at the book of Hebrews, we'll see that Jesus is our brother. We'll recognize his greatness. At the same time, he understands what we're going through. He's faced every temptation and fought every battle. Let's focus on Jesus. Everything else can wait!



OPENING HYMN

Christian Worship #343 "Christ is the World's Light"
Video - Koine\Christ Is the Worlds Light

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

All: Amen.

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

P: Come near to God, and he will come near to you. Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up. *James 4:8,10*

All: **If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *1 John 1:9*

P: Today we consider the relationships into which the Lord has placed us, especially our families, and how we treat one another.

All:

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ have mer - cy up - on us.
Lord have mer - cy up - on us. A men.

P: Most merciful God,

All: **We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. Selfishly we turn from one another and from you, separating what you have joined together. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.**

P: For our sake, Jesus was made lower than the angels. He became one of us to taste death for everyone! As a called servant of our humble Savior, and by his authority, I forgive you all of your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen!

PRAYER AND PRAISE

Refrain

Glo ry be to God on high! Peace on the earth to all is giv'n!
Join us as we glo-ri-fy, Send-ing our prais-es to the heav'ns!
You, Lord God our heav'n ly King, O God the Fa-ther
might-y One; Je-sus Christ to you we sing, O Lord, on-ly be -
got - ten Son. **Refrain**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Father, in the beginning you created everything. You made Adam and gave Eve to him as his wife.

All: Thank you for establishing the blessing of marriage.

P: You gave Adam and Eve the ability to have children and blessed them with many sons and daughters.

All: Thank you Lord, for the precious gift of children.

P: Lord Jesus, your Word tells us that you knitted us together in our mother's womb.

All: Thank you Lord, for the amazing gift of life that comes in so many colors, shapes, and sizes!

P: Sometimes we forget the value of life, love, and family.

All: Forgive us for our forgetfulness and help us to cherish each other as gifts from your gracious hand. Amen.

THE WORD



FIRST LESSON

Genesis 2:18-24

¹⁸ The LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is a suitable partner for him.” ¹⁹ Out of the soil the LORD God had formed every wild animal and every bird of the sky, and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them. Whatever the man called every living creature, that became its name. ²⁰ The man gave names to all the livestock, and to the birds of the sky, and to every wild animal, but for Adam no helper was found who was a suitable partner for him. ²¹ The LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. As the man slept, the LORD God took a rib and closed up the flesh where it had been. ²² The LORD God built a woman from the rib that he had taken from the man and brought her to the man.

²³ The man said,

Now this one is bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh.

She will be called “woman,”
because she was taken out of man.

²⁴ For this reason a man will leave his father and his mother
and will remain united with his wife,
and they will become one flesh.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 139—Reflectors’ Reading (Video)

SECOND LESSON

Hebrews 2:9-11

⁹ But we look to Jesus (the one who was made lower than the angels for a little while, so that by God’s grace he might taste death for everyone), now crowned with glory and honor, because he suffered death.

¹⁰ Certainly it was fitting for God (the one for whom and through whom everything exists), in leading many sons to glory, to bring the author of their salvation to his goal through sufferings. ¹¹ For he who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified all have one Father. For that reason, he is not ashamed to call them brothers.

ALLELUIA! Praise the Lord!

Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! The Lord our God be blessed! Al - le -
lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Your Word brings righ - teou - ness. With
all your works, we praise you! Ex - alt your Name for -
ev - er Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Sing Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Mark 10:1-6

10 Jesus got up and went to the region of Judea beyond the Jordan. Crowds gathered around him again and, as he usually did, he taught them. ² Some Pharisees came to test him and asked, “Is it lawful for a man to divorce his wife?”

³ He replied, “What did Moses command you?”

⁴ They said, “Moses permitted a man to write a certificate of divorce and send her away.”

⁵ But Jesus told them, “He wrote this command for you because of your hard hearts. ⁶ But from the beginning of creation, God made them male and female.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



HYMN OF THE DAY

“Alleluia! Jesus Lives”
Christian Worship #153



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus lives! He is now the
2 Je - sus lives! Let all re - jice; Praise him, ran - somed
3 Je - sus lives! Why do you weep? Why that sad and
4 Je - sus lives! And thus, my soul, Life is yours e -



liv - ing one; From the gloom - y house of death
ones of earth. Praise him in a no - bler song,
fre - quent sigh? He who died our broth - er here
ter - nal - ly; Joined to him, your liv - ing head,



Forth the con - quer - or has gone, Bright fore - run - ner
Cher - u - bim of heav'n - ly birth. Praise the Vic - tor -
Lives our broth - er still on high, Lives for - ev - er
Where he is, you too shall be; You with him at



to the skies Of his peo - ple, yet to rise.
King, whose sway Sin and death and hell o - bey.
to be - stow Bless - ings on his Church be - low.
his right hand Vic - tor o - ver death shall stand.

MESSAGE



APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated 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.

THANK OFFERING

The members of Christ the Rock give an offering in honor of all God has done for us, and to support God's mission within our congregation and beyond. If you have an offering, you can drop it in the plate on the table in the back of church as you leave. If you are a visitor, please don't feel obligated to support this ministry. You are our guest. Welcome!

We would love to make a meaningful connection with you. Please take one of the connection cards and fill it out. You can drop the card in the offering plate on the way out. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS & LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever. Amen.

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

All: Amen!

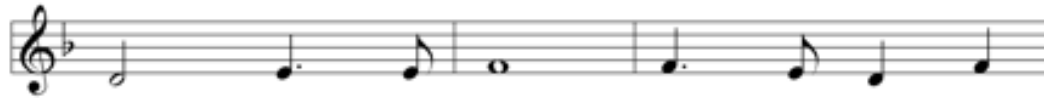
CLOSING HYMN

“Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

Christian Worship #332



1 Go, my chil - dren, with my bless - ing,
 2 Go, my chil - dren, sins for - giv - en,
 3 Go, my chil - dren, fed and nour - ished,
 4 I the Lord will bless and keep you



Nev - er a - lone. Wak - ing, sleep - ing,
 At peace and pure. Here you learned how
 Clos - er to me; Grow in love and
 And give you peace; I the Lord will



I am with you; You are my own.
 much I love you, What I can cure.
 love by serv - ing, Joy - ful and free.
 smile up - on you And give you peace;



In my love's bap - tis - mal riv - er I have
 Here you heard my dear Son's sto - ry; Here you
 Here my Spir - it's pow - er filled you; Here his
 I the Lord will be your Fa - ther, Sav - ior,



made you mine for - ev - er. Go, my chil - dren,
 touched him, saw his glo - ry. Go, my chil - dren,
 ten - der com - fort stilled you. Go, my chil - dren,
 Com - fort - er, and Broth - er. Go, my chil - dren;



with my bless - ing— You are my own.
 sins for - giv - en, At peace and pure.
 fed and nour - ished, Joy - ful and free.
 I will keep you And give you peace.

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