



CHRIST CHURCH

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&
LIVING FREELY

WELCOME TO CHRIST CHURCH BENTONVILLE

To all who are spiritually weak and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whosoever will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus.

TO OUR GUESTS: **First**, we are glad you could join us for worship! We would love to connect with you and answer any questions you may have about Christ Church. Please take a minute and scan the QR code with your phone camera and leave us your contact information. We will be in touch early in the week. **Second**, because what we are about to do may be a little different than what you are probably used to, we ask that you give us 6 weeks. Take 6 weeks to visit, become familiar with the form, ask questions, and get to know us. We believe you'll be glad you did. **Finally**, for an explanation of the content and order of worship, read the rubric along the left hand side of the bulletin as well as the section entitled "***The Liturgical Elements of Worship***" on page 8 of the bulletin.



Preparation for Worship

This is a time to prepare for the worship of our holy God. Pray that God would meet His people as we gather.

Call to Worship

It is the Lord who calls His people to worship Him in Spirit and in Truth. We do not call ourselves. Worship is a reflexive and deliberate response to His gracious call.

Invocation

This prayer exalts the name of the Lord and invokes His presence and communion as we come to worship Him.

Of old you laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands. They will perish, but you will remain; they will all wear out like a garment. You will change them like a robe, and they will pass away, but you are the same, and your years have no end. The children of your servants shall dwell secure; their offspring shall be established before you.

- Psalm 102:25-28

Pastor: Christ is risen!

People: He is risen indeed!

Pastor: Grace and peace to you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Pastor: *Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples! Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works! Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice! Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually! Remember the wondrous works that he has done, his miracles, and the judgments he uttered, O offspring of Abraham, his servant, children of Jacob, his chosen ones!*

- Psalm 105:1-6

*This hymn draws
our hearts and
minds to God
acknowledging the
reality and awe and
wonder of who He
is.*

A D Raines

Martin Luther, 1529, alt.; harm. Johann S. Bach, 1685-1750

1. I will sing praise un - to the Lord, for He has tri-umphed glo - ri-ous - ly!

2. Pha - raoh and all his migh - ty host He cast in - to the Red Sea.

3. Your breath went out a - cross the coast; the sur - ging wa - ters stood as a wall.

4. What o - ther god is like our Lord, ma - jes - tic in His ho - li - ness?

For He has thrown both ri - der and horse in - to the de - pths of the sea!
They all sank heav - y as a stone, they all were co - vered by the deeps!
 The en - e - my made his ar - ro-gant boast: "My sword and hand will kill them all."
In stead - fast love He leads His own, the peo - ple He has pur - chased.

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The Lord, my strength and song, is now my sal - va - tion! My fa - ther's God be - fore:
The right hand of the Lord is glo - ri - ous in pow'r, de - fea - ting en - e - mies
But You blew with Your wind; the great depths co - vered them. You stretched out Your righthand,
The na - tions fall in fear. God's peo - ple He holds dear are plan - ted in the land

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The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two staves: a treble staff at the top and a bass staff at the bottom. The treble staff has a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/4 time signature. The melody is written in a simple, hymn-like style with eighth and quarter notes. The bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment with chords and single notes. The lyrics are written below the treble staff, aligned with the notes. The text is in a serif font and is centered under the notes. The hymn is titled 'The Lord is King' and is a well-known Christian hymn.

Je - ho - vah, Man of war! To Him all praise and glo - ry be!
in fur - ious ma - jes - ty! His wrath con - sumes His ad - ver - sar - ies.
You o - pened up the land, and they were swal - lowed, one and all.
e - sta - blished by His hand. The Lord is King, for - ev - er blest!

**Corporate
Confession of
Sin**

Having come into His presence, we are reminded that we are sinners in need of the deliverance from sin and its power. We both confess and lament sin as an act of worship and faith in the God Who promises to deliver His people from all their sin and sorrow. We encourage a posture of prayer (sitting or kneeling) that is most comfortable for you.

**Hymn of
Confession/
Lament**

This hymn focuses on the acknowledgment of our sin, our need of forgiveness, and the only One in whom our forgiveness and restoration are found.

**Assurance of
Salvation**

Having confessed our sins, and raised our prayer for deliverance, we now hear of our salvation through the declaration of the Gospel.

Elder: *For godly grief produces a repentance that leads to salvation without regret, whereas worldly grief produces death.*
- 2 Corinthians 7:10

All: **Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto You that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe Your word nor follow Your holy commandments. Remember Your goodness, we beseech You, and for Your name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which, alas, is great. Amen.**

Silently confess your sins to the Lord

Psalm 73 (partial)
to Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

The musical score is written for piano in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first system contains five numbered verses. The second system contains two verses. The third system contains one verse. The score ends with a double bar line.

1. Sure - ly God is good to___ Is - rael, good to those whose hearts are___ pure.
2. For 'til death they have no___ strug - gles; they are heal - thy, fit and___ strong,
3. All in vain I kept my___ heart clean, washed my hands in in - no - cence.
4. When I tried to un - der - stand this, it was wea - ri - some to___ me,
5. You to glo - ry will re - ceive me with Your coun - sel as my___ guide.

As for me, my steps were___ slip - ping, and my foot - hold was un - sure.
un - di - sturbed by woes and___ trou - bles, as to hu - man life be - long.
All day long Your plagues af - flict me, mor - ning brings new pu - nish - ment.
'til I came in - to God's. tem - ple and di - scerned their des - ti - ny.
I have none but You in___ hea - ven; all on earth I lay a - side.

For the ar - ro - gant I en - vied, as I saw them live se - cure.
Ar - ro - gance be - comes their neck - lace; vi' - lence is the cloak they___ don.
Had I spo - ken thus, Your chil - dren would have suf - fered great of - fense.
For on slip - p'ry ground You place___ them, and You make their end com - plete.
Flesh and heart may fail, but e - ver God my por - tion will a - bide.

Elder: *The salvation of the righteous is from the Lord; he is their stronghold in the time of trouble. The Lord helps them and delivers them; he delivers them from the wicked and saves them, because they take refuge in him.*
- Psalm 37:39-40

In Christ Alone

Hymn of Faith

This hymn focuses either on God's faithfulness to us through the ages, on our responsibility to respond in faith, or the many reasons for our faith.

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my light, my strength, my
2. In Christ a - lone! Who took on flesh, full - ness of God in help - less
3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, light of the world by dark - ness
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death: this is the pow'r of Christ in

song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id ground, firm through the
babe! This gift of love and righ - teous - ness, scorned by the
slain; then burst - ing forth in glo - rious day, up from the
me. From life's first cry to fin - al breath, Je - sus com -

fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace,
ones he came to save. 'Til on that cross as Je - sus died,
grave he rose a - gain! And as he stands in vic - to - ry,
mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,

when fears are stilled, when striv - ings cease! My com - for -
the wrath of God was sat - is - fied; for ev - 'ry
sin's curse has lost its grip on me; for I am
can ev - er pluck me from his hand; 'til he re -

ter, my all in all— here in the love of Christ I stand.
sin on him was laid— here in the death of Christ I live.
his and he is mine— bought with the pre - cious blood of Christ.
turns or calls me home— here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

**Scripture
Reading**

*We read from both
Old and New
Testaments
because they are
not two different
books but both are
a part of God's
unfolding plan of
redemption.*

**Hymn of
Preparation**

*This hymn is
gospel-focused
and sermon-
oriented and
planned with the
children in mind.*

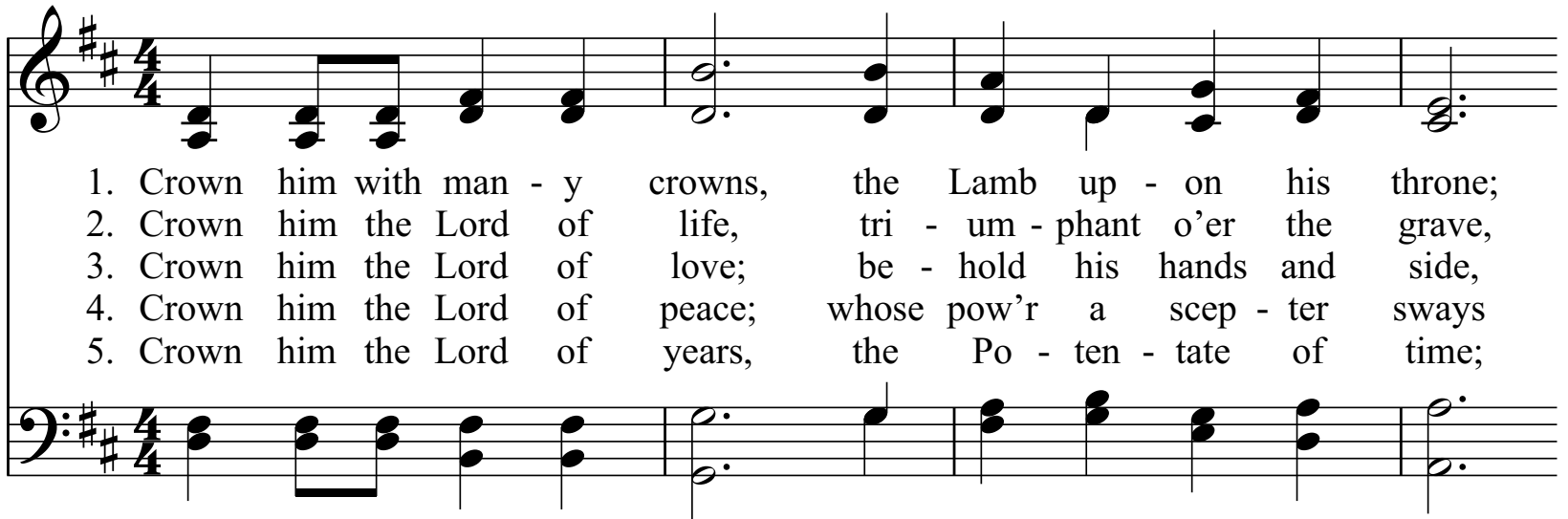
Old Testament - Numbers 11:16-30

New Testament - Acts 6:1-7

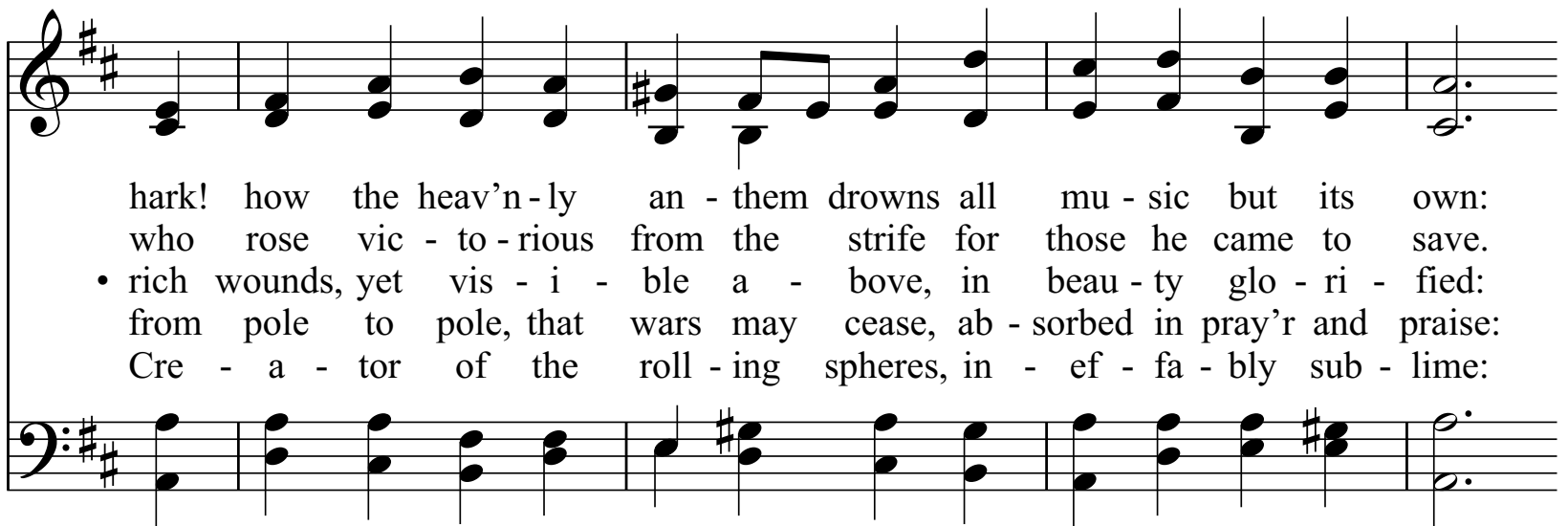
Elder: This is the Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God!

Crown Him with Many Crowns



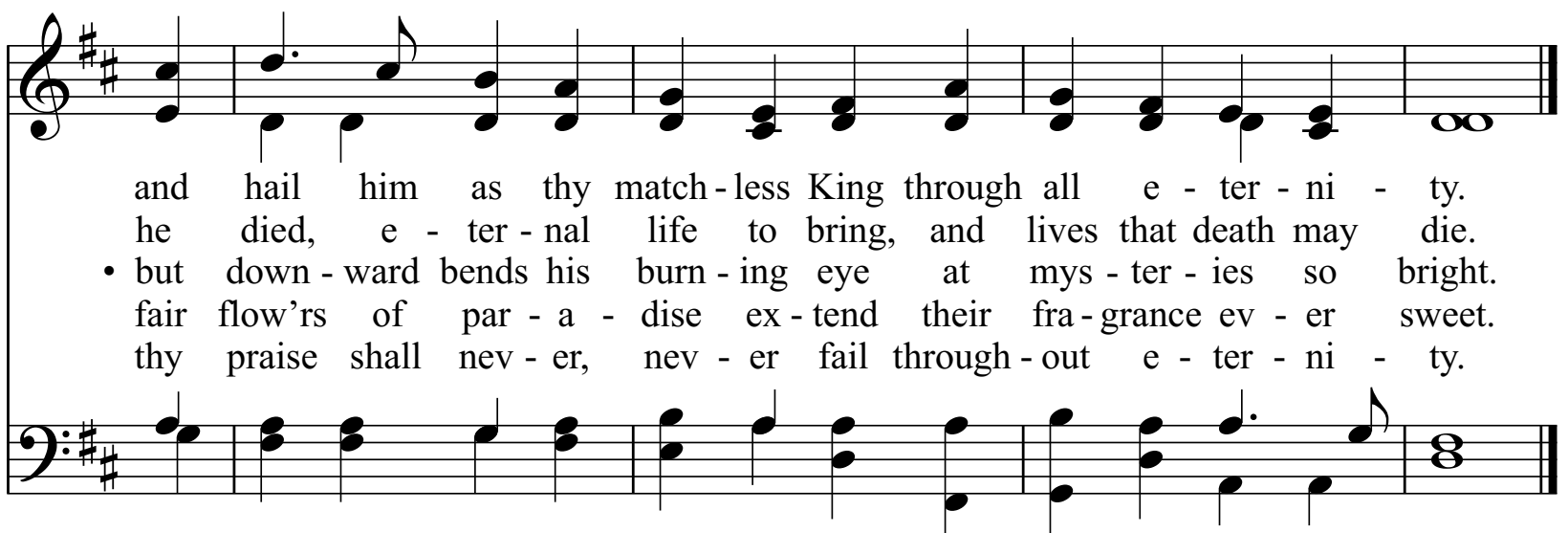
1. Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2. Crown him the Lord of life, tri - um - phant o'er the grave,
3. Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
4. Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scep - ter sways
5. Crown him the Lord of years, the Po - ten - tate of time;



hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own:
who rose vic - to - rious from the strife for those he came to save.
• rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in pray'r and praise:
Cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime:



a - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and reigns on high;
• no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
his reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
all hail, Re - deem - er, hail! for thou hast died for me:



and hail him as thy match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
he died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
• but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
fair flow'rs of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

THE OFFICE OF DEACON

Acts 6:1-7

(A note-taking guide is provided on the final page)

Sermon

The preaching of God's Word is a means by which God bestows grace on His people.

Ordination

Ordination is the authoritative admission of a man duly called to an office in the Church of God, accompanied with prayer and the laying on of hands, to which it is proper to add the giving of the right hand of fellowship.

Vows

A vow is a solemn promise and ought to be made with religious care and performed with faithfulness. It is to be made to God alone, voluntarily, out of faith, and conscience of duty. Vows of office bind together the people of God and the officers called to see them in the church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

For the Children - spiritual, physical, ministry, serve, office, apostle, deacon, Christ

Ordination and Installation of Zach Bonds and Caleb Taylor to the office of Deacon

Vows

Minister, to the candidates:

- 1. Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?**
- 2. Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your own initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?**
- 3. Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?**
- 4. Do you accept the office of deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?**
- 5. Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?**
- 6. Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church?**

Minister, to the congregation:

Do you, members of this church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as deacons, and do you promise to yield them all that honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

Laying on of Hands and Prayer

Concluding with the Lord's Prayer, prayed corporately:

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 debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen!

Offering of Right Hand of Fellowship; Declaration of Installation

Charge to the Deacons and the Congregation - RE Kim Valentine

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Word having been preached, the death of Christ is now showed forth through the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of His body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and grace.

Offertory/Hymn of Response

Giving is an act of worship. We give of our tithes and offerings because all we are and all we have are gifts of God's grace. We sing in grateful response to God's grace granted to us in both Word and Sacrament.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up to the LORD.

The bread is gluten-free. Purple cups contain wine; clear cups contain grape juice. Come forward, pause to hear the words of institution, take a piece of bread and a cup, then return to your seats. Once everyone has been served, we will eat and drink together. After the service, please dispose of your used communion cup in the trash cans provided.

How Firm a Foundation

The musical score for 'How Firm a Foundation' is written for four voices: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, and Bass. It is in the key of D major (indicated by two sharps) and 2/2 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like, with many whole and half notes. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with line numbers 1 through 6 corresponding to the verses. The score includes a final double bar line at the end of the fourth line of music.

5. “E’en down to old age all my people shall prove my sov’rign, eternal, unchangeable love; and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn, like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.
6. “The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose, I will not, I will not desert to his foes; that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake, I’ll never, no never, no never forsake.”

Doxology

We encourage a posture lifting holy hands to the Lord in thanksgiving.

Benediction

We leave with the assurance that God intends to bless His people as we serve him and our neighbors through our various vocations throughout the week.

Praise God from Whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost! Amen!

Pastor: *"The grace of the Lord Jesus," who came not to be served but to serve, "be with you all."*

- 2 Thessalonians 3:18

People: And also with you!

Information

CHILDCARE

It has been our desire to offer childcare as we have volunteers. We have intentionally refrained from constant pressure and from relying upon only a few to shoulder the responsibility. At the same time, as the number of little ones increases, we do want to keep the opportunity before you. If you are able and willing to help, please scan the QR code to the right and sign up today. The more the merrier.



THE LITURGICAL ELEMENTS OF OUR WORSHIP

Why do we do what we do during our corporate worship service on Sunday? To a visitor it could seem strange. We do more than just sing, which is usually what people associate with the word "worship". There are times of silence. Prayers are spoken. The Bible is read. A sermon on a particular passage of Scripture is heard. We eat a bite of bread and drink a small amount of wine or juice in celebration of Christ's death. Money is collected. Hands are raised in devotion. Why are these elements a part of what we do together? Why don't we just hang out in small groups and sip coffee? Why don't we just sit back and watch an hour long video on being better people? All of these elements are a part of our worship because we believe they show honor to God in the way he wants to be honored. These aren't just made up elements. They are pieces in a story that is told each Sunday, with each piece either commanded or exemplified in scripture.

WHY OUR PASTORS WEAR ROBES

Wearing a robe **hides the man** - No matter what the pastor wears, whether it be an expensive suit, an inexpensive suit, business casual or holey jeans with his shirt untucked, people are always prone to put too much stock in whatever style he prefers. The black Geneva robe is designed to remove this distraction and allow us to focus on the One whom he represents. That leads to the second point. It also **emphasizes his office**. Just as a judge wears a robe when in the courtroom, a fireman wears a uniform when on duty, or a military officer wears his dress greens or blues to a formal event to announce that they are acting in an official capacity, our pastors wear robes during the worship service to signify that they are acting in their official capacity as men who have been called by God to proclaim His word to His people. The robe reminds the congregation (and the minister!) that he is in the pulpit as an ambassador of Christ, and thus is not to speak his own thoughts, give mere advice, or share worldly wisdom, but only the Word of God.

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

We believe children are a blessing from the Lord, and that they should be included in the worship of God with the people of God. That means at times there will be noise in the worship service. **God put the wiggle in children and that wiggle is welcome in His house!** If you are not used to it, it may take a little time. We understand. Bearing with one another in love is our calling.

Our aim is to help parents in the training of their children in the “pew”. We do this in two ways:

1. Sunday evening worship.

Every Sunday, we plan our worship services taking both children and parents into consideration. First, the Hymn of Preparation is chosen with our children in mind. We want it to be a song that they know or at least can learn quickly. Second, we offer childcare for those 0-3 during the sermon. But please know, we enjoy having children in worship! They are not distractions! Keeping them with us in worship is one of the best gifts we can give them as they will learn the blessing of worship and grow in ways we cannot imagine. Feel free to sit up front where it is easier for children to see and hear what is happening.

2. Weekly family worship.

To facilitate learning throughout the week, the following ideas are provided for families to use during their own times of worship. We incorporate the hymns, confession of faith and sermon passage for familiarity and repetition purposes.

Weekly Catechism: BCO 9-1

Q: What is the office of Deacon?

A: The office of Deacon is set forth in the Scriptures as ordinary and perpetual in the Church. The office is one of sympathy and service, after the example of the Lord Jesus; it expresses also the communion of saints, especially in their helping one another in time of need.

Wednesday

Sing “Crown Him With Many Crowns”.

Read Acts 6:1-7, 1 Timothy 3:8-13, and BCO 9-1.

What qualifications did the apostles list for the deacons in Acts 6? What qualifications does Paul list? Why are these important?

Monday

Sing “Moses’s Song” (Exodus 15).
Read Acts 6:1-7, 2 Corinthians 8:1-15, and BCO 9-1.

What problems arose in the church in Jerusalem? Why was it urgent that these problems be addressed? Why is it important to care for the physical needs of church members? How does this reflect Christ? How does it express the communion of saints? How can you participate in that ministry?

Thursday

Sing “In Christ Alone”.
Read Acts 6:1-7, 1 Timothy 4:12-16, and BCO 9-1.

How were the deacons selected in Acts 6? Why is that important? Who lays hands on men at their ordination? Why is that important? What is significant about the laying on of hands? Of prayer?

Tuesday

Sing Psalm 73.

Read Acts 6:1-7, Titus 1:5-2:1, and BCO 9-1.

Why did the apostles not take mercy ministry upon themselves? How does the ministry of deacons differ from that of the elders? Who are the elders and the deacons of Christ Church? Do you know which elder and deacon have been assigned to care for your family? Pray for the officers, especially your family’s shepherding elder and deacon.

Friday

Sing “How Firm a Foundation”.
Read Acts 6:1-7 and BCO 9-1.

What happened to the church after the deacons began their ministry? Why is it important that ministry of word and prayer continue in the church? Why is it important that “waiting tables” be done? How can you support the church in its worship and work?

SMALL GROUPS

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The Solms House

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SERMON NOTES

THE OFFICE OF DEACON Acts 6:1-7

INTRODUCTION

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II. MINISTRY TO PHYSICAL NEEDS MUST NOT BE OVERLOOKED

CONCLUSION



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