

Fishing for People

A Catch and Release Program

January 21, 2017 – Third Sunday After Epiphany

OPENING HYMN

O Jesus, King of Glory

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1 O Je - sus, King of glo - ry, Both Da - vid's
 2 The east - ern Ma - gi, com - ing Their gifts of
 3 You are a might - y mon - arch, As by your
 4 Oh, look on me with pit - y Though I am
 5 Then let your Word with - in me Shine as the



Lord and son! Your rule en - dures for - ev - er;
 love to bring, Bear wit - ness to your glo - ry
 Word is told, And yet you care but lit - tle
 weak and poor; Ad - mit me to your king - dom
 fair - est star; Keep sin and all false doc - trine



In heav - en is your throne. Help that in earth's do -
 And wor - ship you, their King. To you the star is
 For earth - ly goods or gold. You do not come dis -
 To dwell there, blest and sure. I pray, Lord, guide and
 For - ev - er from me far. Help me con - fess you



min - ions, From pole to farth - est pole, Your reign may
 point - ing And the pro - phet - ic Word; So joy - ous -
 play - ing Your pow - er and re - nown. You dwell in
 keep me Safe from my bit - ter foes, From sin and
 tru - ly And with all Chris - ten - dom Here hail you



spread sal - va - tion To each be - night - ed soul.
 ly we hail you: Our Sav - ior and our Lord.
 no high cas - tle; You wear no jew - eled crown.
 death and Sa - tan; Free me from all my woes.
 King and Sav - ior And in the world to come.

INVOCATION & CONFESSION OF SINS

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

C: **Amen.**

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

M: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

C: **Who made heaven and earth.**

M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.

C: **And you forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

C: **O almighty God, merciful Father, I a poor, miserable sinner, confess to you all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended you and justly deserve your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am truly sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray you of your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor sinful being.**

M: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God to all of you, and in the stead and by the command of our Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: **Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

SONG OF PRAISE

M: The works of the Lord are great and glorious; his name is worthy of praise.



C: O Lord, our Lord, how glo - rious is your name in



all the earth. Al - might - y God, mer - ci - ful Fa - ther,



you crown our life with your love. You take a - way our sin;



you com - fort our spir - it; you make us pure and



ho - ly in your sight. You did not spare your on - ly Son,



PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and to teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we, too, may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; through

Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

FIRST LESSON

Jonah 3:1-5, 10

¹ Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time: ²“Go to the great city of Nineveh and proclaim to it the message I give you.”

³ Jonah obeyed the word of the Lord and went to Nineveh. Now Nineveh was a very large city; it took three days to go through it. ⁴ Jonah began by going a day’s journey into the city, proclaiming, “Forty more days and Nineveh will be overthrown.” ⁵ The Ninevites believed God. A fast was proclaimed, and all of them, from the greatest to the least, put on sackcloth.

¹⁰ When God saw what they did and how they turned from their evil ways, he relented and did not bring on them the destruction he had threatened.

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

SECOND LESSON

I Corinthians 7:29-31

²⁹ What I mean, brothers and sisters, is that the time is short. From now on those who have wives should live as if they do not; ³⁰ those who mourn, as if they did not; those who are happy, as if they were not; those who buy something, as if it were not theirs to keep; ³¹ those who use the things of the world, as if not engrossed in them. For this world in its present form is passing away.

M: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God!

VERSE OF THE DAY

Matthew 4:23

Alleluia. Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching, preaching, and healing every disease.
Alleluia.

C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

These words are writ - ten that we may be - lieve that

Je - sus is the Christ, the Son of God.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:14-20

¹⁴After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵"The time has come," he said. "The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!"

¹⁶As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will send you out to fish for people." ¹⁸At once they left their nets and followed him.

¹⁹When he had gone a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰Without delay he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed him.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!



1 Let us ev - er walk with Je - sus, Fol - low his ex -
 2 Let us suf - fer here with Je - sus, To his im - age
 3 Let us al - so die with Je - sus. His death from the
 4 Let us glad - ly live with Je - sus; Since he's ris - en



am - ple pure, Flee the world which would de - ceive us
 e'er con - form; Heav - en's glo - ry soon will please us,
 sec - ond death, From our soul's de - struc - tion, frees us,
 from the dead, Death and grave must soon re - lease us.



And to sin our souls al - lure. Ev - er in his
 Sun - shine fol - low on the storm. Though we sow in
 Quick - ens us with life's glad breath. Let us mor - ti -
 Je - sus, thou art now our head. We are tru - ly



foot - steps tread - ing, Bod - y here, yet soul a - bove,
 tears of sor - row, We shall reap in heav'n - ly joy,
 fy, while liv - ing, Flesh and blood and die to sin,
 thine own mem - bers; Where thou liv - est, there live we.



Full of faith and hope and love, Let us do the
 And the fears that now an - noy Shall be laugh - ter
 And the grave that shuts us in Shall but prove the
 Take and own us con - stant - ly, Faith - ful Friend, as



Fa - ther's bid - ding. Faith - ful Lord, a - bide with me.
 on the mor - row. Christ, I suf - fer here with thee;
 gate to heav - en. Je - sus, here I die to thee,
 thy dear breth - ren. Je - sus, here I live to thee,



Sav - ior, lead; I fol - low thee.
There, oh, share thy joy with me.
There to live e - ter - nal - ly.
Al - so there e - ter - nal - ly.

SERMON

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Mark 1:14-20

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is,
seen and unseen.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary,
and became fully human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.

He suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who in unity with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.
I acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
I look for the resurrection of the dead
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The minister prays the prayer of the church.

LORD'S PRAYER

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 trespasses,
 as we forgive those
 who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom
 and the power and the glory
 forever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING

The members of Christ the King have joined together to do the Lord's work in their community and around the world. Visitors should not feel obligated to participate in this offering.

THE PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

C: It is good and right so to do.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love, he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. In the past he spoke to us through prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, who is the radiance of his glory.

Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



C: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.



The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.



You are my God, and I will ex - alt you.



I will give you thanks, for you have be - come my sal -

va - tion. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly is the Lord of hosts.

The whole earth is full of your glo - ry.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

By his incarnation, he became one with us.

By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.

By his innocent death, he overcame hell.

By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

C: Amen.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION


M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."


Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."


The peace of the Lord be with you always.


C: Amen.


LAMB OF GOD


C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the


world; have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God, you


take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.


O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the


world; grant us your peace. A - - men.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

God's Word teaches we should examine and prepare ourselves before receiving communion. Therefore, we ask guests who are not members of our church to meet with our pastor before receiving communion the first time.



SONG OF THANKSGIVING



C: Thank the Lord and sing his praise. Tell ev-'ry-one what he has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and proud-ly bear his name.



He re-news his prom-is - es and leads his peo-ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: 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.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

Praise to You and Adoration

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1 Praise to you and ad - o - ra - tion, Bless - ed Je - sus,
2 Hold me ev - er in your keep - ing; Com - fort me in



Son of God, Who, to serve your own cre - a - tion,
pain and strife. In my laugh - ter and my weep - ing



Came to share our flesh and blood. Guide me that I
Be with me through - out my life. Give me great - er



nev - er may From your fold or pas - tures stray,
love for you, And my faith and hope re - new



But with zeal and joy ex - ceed - ing
In your birth, your life, and pas - sion,



Fol - low where your steps are lead - ing.
In your death and res - ur - rec - tion.



Third Sunday in Epiphany

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Welcome!

Welcome to Cristo Rey Lutheran Church! We are a Christian centered on Jesus Christ. Our mission is to share the good news of eternal life through Christ with you.

We are both an established, yet new church. We have been serving Bell Gardens since the 1970s. At the same time, we are revitalizing our efforts to revitalize our ministry and serve all members of our community.

Spiritual Services

We offer a variety of spiritual services. These include confirmation, counseling, visits to the sick and hospitalized, baptisms and quinceañera worship services. These spiritual services are provided without cost and require few prerequisites. Please speak with Pastor Matt to learn more.

Upcoming Events

Council Meeting..... January 28 at 12:00pm
Voters Meeting..... February 18 at 12:00pm

Worship Schedule

Divine Service in English..... Sundays at 10:45am
English Bible Study..... Sundays at 10:00am

Worship Acknowledgements

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