

**THE WORSHIP OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD  
AT SWIFT CHURCH**

*Christ the King Sunday*

**GATHERING**

**WELCOME**

**PRELUDE** "Come, Thou Almighty King"

**BRINGING IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST**

**\*CALL TO WORSHIP** Jan Taylor

Leader: The Lord God is our shepherd.

**People: We are the people of God's pasture, the sheep of God's hand.**

Leader: God will seek the lost, feed the hungry, and strengthen the weak.

**People: But the proud and power-hungry will be fed with justice.**

**\*HYMN** "God, Our Father, We Adore Thee" #268

Vs. 1 – God, our Father, we adore Thee!

We, Thy children, bless Thy Name!

Chosen in the Christ before Thee,  
we are "holy without blame."

We adore Thee! We adore Thee!

Abba's praises we proclaim!

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Vs 4 – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Three in One! We give Thee praise!

For the riches we inherit, heart and voice to Thee we raise!

We adore Thee! We adore Thee!

Thee we bless, through endless days!

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**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Silent Prayer "O Lord, Hear My Prayer"*

**Sovereign God, we confess that we are not ready for Your holy realm. You guide us toward right paths, but we refuse to follow where you lead. You love and feed and care for use, but we fail to love and serve others. Forgive us, merciful God, so that we may return to your fold and rejoice in your presence; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the Lamb upon the throne. Amen.**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

Leader: ... in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**\*PASSING THE PEACE**

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

**People: And also with you.**

**\*RESPONSE** "Gloria Patri" #623

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.

**THE WORD**

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**

**FIRST READING** Ephesians 1:15–23

**GOSPEL READING** Matthew 25:31–46

**RESPONSE**

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*\*please stand as you are able*

**SERMON** "The Sovereignty and Faithfulness of God"  
Reverend Bert Tuggle

**RESPONDING TO THE WORD**

**\*HYMN** "Holy, Holy, Holy" #262

Vs. 1 – 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!

Vs. 4 – Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise Thy name in earth

and sky and sea;

Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!

God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** "The Apostles' Creed"

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE**

**THE 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 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.

### OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Offertory *“My Hope Is Built”*

**\*RESPONSE** “Doxology” #625  
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below; praise Him above ye heavenly hosts; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

### \*PRAYER AND DEDICATION OF THE OFFERING

#### SENDING

**\*HYMN** “My Savior’s Love” #512  
Vs. 1 – I stand amazed in the presence of  
Jesus the Nazarene,  
And wonder how He could love me,  
a sinner, condemned, unclean.

Refrain: How marvelous! how wonderful!  
And my song shall ever be:  
How marvelous! how wonderful  
is my Savior’s love for me!

Vs. 5 – When with the ransomed in glory His face  
I at last shall see,  
‘Twill be my joy thru the ages to sing of His love for me.  
Refrain

### TAKING THE LIGHT INTO THE WORLD

**\*CHARGE**  
Leader: Good people of Swift Church, who are you?  
**People: Striving to bring God joy, we proclaim  
Christ’s love and grace through serving  
and nurturing body, mind, and soul.**

### \*BENEDICTION

**\*POSTLUDE** “We Are God’s People”

Please join us for a time of fellowship  
immediately after worship.



If you would like to contribute two dozen cookies  
to the Christmas cookie social on Sunday,  
December 3, please let Kathy Menk know as  
soon as possible. You may contact her at  
251-518-7966 or mkmenk0910@gmail.com



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# Welcome to Swift Church

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