



# The Worship of God

Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Christ the King Sunday

Deacon Ordination

November 22, 2020

*It is not enough to acclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and King.  
Our mission in life is to make his kingdom a reality among us  
and to bring it to those around us by our words and deeds.  
The way to do this is to live as he lived: for others, in love and service.  
We come now to worship Christ the King and to give shape  
to his kingdom as we serve. Thanks be to God!*

## ***As Servants of God We Proclaim Christ Our King***

Gathering Music

Gavin Daniel, trumpet  
Margaret Todd, piano

Welcome & Invitation to Worship

Amy Gallaher

Prelude

*"All Hail the Power  
Of Jesus' Name"  
Arranged by Jay Althouse*

Gavin Daniel, trumpet  
Margaret Todd, piano

Call to Worship

David Fitzgerald

Leader: Praise God! For the Lord our God is King.

**People: Let us rejoice and be glad; let us praise his greatness.**

Leader: Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty,

**People: who was, and is, and is to come.**

Leader: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,

**People: to receive honor and glory and praise.**

Leader: He loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood.

**People: and has made us to be a kingdom to serve his God and Father.**

Leader: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb,

**People: be praise and honor and glory and power, forever and ever. Amen.**

# ***As Servants of God We Follow Christ's Example***

Anthem

*"Is He Worthy?"*

Adult Ensemble

*By Dan Forrest*

*Soloists: Claire Schuyler & Evan Smith (Ardmore Choral Scholars)*

*"Worthy is the Lamb that was slain."*

*Do you feel the world is broken? We do. Do you feel the shadows deepen? We do.  
But do you know that all the dark won't stop the light from getting through? We do.*

*Do you wish that you could see it all made new? We do.*

*Is all creation groaning? It is. Is a new creation coming? It is.*

*Is the glory of the Lord to be a light within our midst? It is.*

*Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? It is. Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?*

*Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?*

*The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,*

*He is David's Root, and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.*

*Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Of all blessings and honor and glory?*

*Is He worthy of this? He is. Worthy is the Lamb.*

*Does the Father truly love us? He does. Does the Spirit move among us? He does.*

*And does Jesus, our Messiah, hold forever those He loves? He does.*

*Does our God intend to dwell again with us? He does.*

*Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?*

*Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?*

*The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave,*

*He is David's Root, and the Lamb who died to ransom the slave.*

*From every people and tribe, ev'ry nation and tongue,*

*He has made us a kingdom and priests to God, to reign with the Son.*

*Is He worthy, Is He worthy? Is He worthy of all blessing and honor and glory?*

*Is He worthy? Is He worthy? Is He worthy of this? He is!*

Scripture Reading

*Acts 6:1-7*

Franklin Watkins

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

Deacon Testimony

Gretchen Martin (video)

Deacon Testimony

Jennie Kerley

Instrumental Solo

*"We Gather Together"*  
*Arranged by Jay Althouse*

Gavin Daniel, trumpet  
Jim Davidson, piano

## ***As Servants of God We Affirm Our Calling***

Deacon Testimony		Clark Cothran (video)
Deacon Testimony		Tamara Snipes
Song of Calling	<i>"We Are Called"</i>	Adult Ensemble

*We are called to be God's people, showing by our lives His grace,  
One in heart and one in spirit, sign of hope for all the race.  
Let us show how He has changed us and remade us as His own;  
Let us share our life together as we shall around His throne.*

*We are called to be God's servants, working in the world today;  
Taking His own task upon us, all His sacred words obey.  
Let us rise, then, to His summons, dedicate to Him our all,  
That we may be faithful servants, quick to answer now His call.*

## ***As Servants of God We Consecrate Our Lives***

Deacon Testimony		Amanda McIntyre (video)
Prayer of Ordination		Tyler Tankersley
A Time of Response		Tyler Tankersley
Song of Consecration	<i>"I Am Thine, O Lord"</i>	Adult Ensemble

*I am Thine, O Lord, I have heard Thy voice, And it told Thy love to me;  
But I long to rise in the arms of faith, and be closer drawn to Thee.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where Thou has died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to Thy precious bleeding side.*

*Consecrate me now to Thy service, Lord, by the power of grace divine;  
Let my soul look up with a steadfast hope, and my will be lost in Thine.  
Draw me nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to the cross where Thou has died;  
Draw me nearer, nearer, nearer, blessed Lord, to Thy precious bleeding side.*

# ***As Servants of God We Go Forth to Serve***

Life of the Church		Amy Gallaher
Benediction		Tyler Tankersley
Postlude	<i>"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" Setting by Jason D. Payne</i>	Jeanell Brown

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## **CONNECTING PEOPLE WITH GOD'S LOVE**

*We are delighted you have chosen to worship with us today and we want you to feel at home in our midst. Ardmore Baptist Church is filled with people who want to find meaningful spiritual growth, real relationships, and a deeper purpose in life. Ardmore wants to connect with you. No matter where you are spiritually or what your needs may be, there is a place you can connect here. We trust that today's worship service will be meaningful to you.*

## **OUR MINISTERS**

*The People of Ardmore, gifted by God, led and equipped by...*

Tyler Tankersley—Pastor

Gina Brock—Associate Pastor

David Fitzgerald—Minister of Worship, Music & Arts

Alan Gill—Church Administrator

Dane Martin—Minister with Students

Lee Ritchie—Minister with Children & Families

DeNeal Fowler—Minister of Invitation & Hospitality

Amy Gallaher—Minister of Missional Engagement

Jim Davidson—Music & Arts Educator

Jeanell Brown—Organist/Accompanist

Kevin Anderson, Director of Worship Media

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