

# Christ the Saviour Evangelical Presbyterian Church, Krakow

# WORSHIP ORDER

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity Welcome to the Christ the Saviour Evangelical Presbyterian Church, a congregation of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Poland, in Krakow. As you enter the sanctuary, please feel free to greet one another.

Please make sure to take a simultaneous translation device in the lobby. If you have any issues with the device during the service, please feel free to come up to the station where you received it. We kindly advise you to bring your own wire headphones to church.

#### PRELUDE

All stand.

# HYMN – Amazing Grace

 Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

2. T'was Grace that taught my heart to fear.And Grace, my fears relieved.How precious did that Grace appearThe hour I first believed.

3. Through many dangers, toils and snares I have already come;'Tis Grace that brought me safe thus far And Grace will lead me home.

4. When we've been there ten thousand years Bright shining as the sun.We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

# THE GREETING

**Celebrant:** Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. **All:** As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

# CONFESSION

### Call to confession of sins

**Celebrant:** Humbling ourselves before God's majesty, let us profess to Him and to our brethren our sins.

#### Examination of conscience in silence

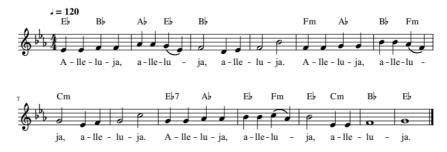
All: O gracious and gentle and condescending God, God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort: we confess before you the evil of our hearts; we acknowledge that we are too inclined toward anger, jealousy, and revenge, to ambition and pride, which often give rise to discord and bitter feelings between others and us. Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you, O long-suffering Father. Forgive us this sin and permit us to partake of the blessing you have promised the peacemakers, who shall be called the children of God. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

**Assurance of Pardon** 

**Celebrant:** To all those who have sincerely repented Scripture says: *all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.* 

- Romans 3:23-24; ESV

### **GLORIA**



#### **RESPONSIVE PSALM – Ps. 98 (ESV)**

**Celebrant:** Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

All: The LORD has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

**Celebrant:** He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

All: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

**Celebrant:** Sing praises to the LORD with the lyre, with the lyre and the sound of melody! With trumpets and the sound of the horn make a joyful noise before the King, the LORD!

#### All: Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who dwell in it! Let the rivers clap their hands; let the hills sing for joy together

**Celebrant:** Before the LORD, for he comes to judge the earth. He will judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with equity.

#### **SCRIPTURE READINGS**

#### **Old Testament Reading**

Lector: A reading from the Book of Habakuk (2:1-4; ESV).

<sup>1</sup> I will take my stand at my watchpost and station myself on the tower, and look out to see what he will say to me, and what I will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup> And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. <sup>3</sup> For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. <sup>4</sup> "Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.

**Lector:** This is the word of God. **All: Thanks be to God.** 

#### **New Testament Reading**

Lector: A reading from the Epistle to the Romans (1:1-17; ESV).

<sup>1</sup> Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, <sup>2</sup> which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, <sup>3</sup> concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh <sup>4</sup> and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord, <sup>5</sup> through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith for the sake of his name among all the nations, <sup>6</sup> including you who are called to belong to Jesus Christ, <sup>7</sup> To all those in Rome who are loved by God and called to be saints: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>8</sup> First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed in all the world. <sup>9</sup> For God is my witness, whom I serve with my

spirit in the gospel of his Son, that without ceasing I mention you <sup>10</sup> always in my prayers, asking that somehow by God's will I may now at last succeed in coming to you. <sup>11</sup> For I long to see you, that I may impart to you some spiritual gift to strengthen you — <sup>12</sup> that is, that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith, both yours and mine. <sup>13</sup> I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as well as among the rest of the Gentiles. <sup>14</sup> I am under obligation both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish. <sup>15</sup> So I am eager to preach the gospel to you also who are in Rome.

<sup>16</sup> For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup> For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

**Lector:** This is the word of God. **All: Thanks be to God.** 

#### SERMON – Rev. Aleksander Nezamutdinov

#### **PROFESSION OF FAITH**

**Celebrant:** Together with the Church in the West, let us profess our faith with the words of the Apostoles' Creed.

#### All stand.

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,\* the Creator of heaven and earth,\* and in Jesus Christ,\* His only Son, our Lord,\* who was conceived of 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 arose again from the dead.\* He ascended into heaven\* and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,\* from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.\* I believe in the Holy Spirit,\* the holy catholic church,\* the communion of saints,\* the forgiveness of sins,\* the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.\* Amen.

### HYMN – Grace Greater Than Our Sin

**1.** Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt!

Yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured– There where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within; Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that is greater than all our sin!

2. Sin and despair, like the sea-waves cold, Threaten the soul with infinite loss; Grace that is greater– yes, grace untold– Points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross.

**3.** Dark is the stain that we cannot hide; What can avail to wash it away? Look! There is flowing a crimson tide; Whiter than snow you may be today.

**4.** Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, Freely bestowed on all who believe! All who are longing to see His face, Will you this moment His grace receive?

All sit.

### PRAYER

The celebrant says the prayer aloud to which the congregation responds: Amen.

# THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Celebrant**: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: 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 for ever.\* Amen.

All stand.

### SANCTUS

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!

**2.** Holy, holy! All the saints adore thee, casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

**3.** Holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee, though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

**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! **THE LORD'S SUPPER** 

#### Words of Institution

**Celebrant:** The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, *This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.* 

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, *This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.* For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

#### **Prayer before Communion**

**Celebrant:** Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (1 Cor. 11:27-28)

All: For as often as we eat the bread\* and drink the cup,\* we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor. 11:26)

**Celebrant:** Let us pray for a worthy reception of the Lord's supper. **All:** Lord, I am not worthy of coming at your table, but say the word, and my soul shall be healed. (Luke 7:7)

**Celebrant:** Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

#### **Giving of Communion**

The white wine on the tray is alcohol free.

Please mind that only baptised <u>members</u> of a Christian Church are allowed to participate in communion.

#### **CLOSING AFTER COMMUNION**

#### Celebrant: Let us pray...

*The congregation while sitting prays in silence. After a moment of prayer, the celebrant stands and prays, to which the church responds:* **Amen.** 

All stand. During the closing song an offering will be collected. If you are a guest in our church, please do not feel obliged to participate in this part of the worship.

### HYMN - Come Thou Font of every Blessing

1. Come, thou Fount of every blessing; tune my heart to sing thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above; praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love!

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come; and I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; he, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

**3.** Oh, that day when freed from sinning I shall see Thy lovely face

Clothed then in blood washed linen How I'll sing Thy sovereign grace Come my Lord, no longer tarry Take my ransomed soul away Send Thine angels now to carry Me to realms of endless days

4. O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart; O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### DISMISSAL

#### **Benediction**

**Celebrant**: *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace* (Numbers 6:24-26).

All:



**Celebrant:** Go in the peace of Christ. **All: Thanks be to God.** 

# DOXOLOGY

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

### POSTLUDE



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# Weekly Event Program

# 02-08.10.2023

**07.10** Sat, 11:00 Krasickiego 14

WOMEN'S MEETING

07.10 VIBE. MEETING FOR TEENAGERS Sat, 14:00 Krasickiego 14

#### 08.10

#### SUNDAY SERVICE

Sun, 17:00 Wadowicka 8G

12.10	MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY
Thu, 18:00	STUDENT MINISTRY
Smolki 8	

#### 20-22.10 CHURCH RETREAT

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For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith." Romans 1:17

