

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH—CHRIST THE KING

M: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power forever and ever!

**C: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.**

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being.

**C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!**

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.

**C: Help us live as royal priests.**

M: We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

**C: Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.**

M: We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, because you have taken your great power and begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.

**C: Strengthen our confidence in knowing that your kingdom will never be destroyed.**

M: O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

**C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.**

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