

CHRIST THE KING

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 7, 2024 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Prayer (Collect) of Preparation:

*Deliver us when we draw near to You,
from coldness of heart and wanderings of mind:
Grant that with steadfast thoughts and kindled affections,
we may worship You in Spirit and in Truth. Amen*

Call to Worship

Leonard Layne

Leader: Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day.

Congregation: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

Leader: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

Congregation: And he is to be held in awe above all gods.

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

All: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place. — 1 Chronicles 16:23-27

Invocation

Preparation

We focus our hearts and minds in preparation to enter into the life-giving presence of God.

Call to Worship

God calls his people to assemble for worship; accordingly the church calls itself together.

God's people sing not only as an expression of our love for God but also to remind ourselves of our place in God's redemptive work.

The church is marked by its singing, from Israel's deliverance through the Psalms to our worship today.

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Words: James Montgomery;
Music: Sandra McCracken

1. Hail to the Lord's a - noint - ed, great Da - vid's great - er
 2. He comes with com - fort speed - y to those who suf - fer
 3. Kings shall fall down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense
 4. O'er ev - 'ry foe vic - to - rious, he on his throne shall

Son! Hail in the time ap - point - ed, his reign on earth be -
 wrong; to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be -
 bring; all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple
 rest; from age to age more glo - rious, all - bless - ing and all -

gun! He comes to break op - pres - sion to set the cap - tive
 strong; to give them songs for sigh - ing, their dark - ness turn to
 sing; to him shall prayer un - ceas - ing and dai - ly vows as -
 blessed. The tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re -

free; to take a - way trans - gres - sion, and rule in eq - ui - ty.
 light, whose souls, con - demned and dy - ing, are pre - cious in his sight.
 cend; his king - dom still in - creas - ing, a king - dom without end.
 move; his name shall stand for ev - er; his name to us is Love.

O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing

Words: Charles Wesley;

Music: Carl Glaser

The musical score is written for piano in G major and 3/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has a G chord above the first two measures. The second system has G, D, and G chords above its measures. The third system has C, G/D, D7, and G chords above its measures. The lyrics are printed below the treble clef staff.

1.O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my
2.My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as -
3.Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears, that
4.He breaks the pow'r of reign - ing sin, he
5.Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your
great Re - deem - er's praise, the glo - ries of my
sist me to pro - claim, to spread through all the
bids our sor - rows cease; 'tis mu - sic in the
sets the pris' - ner free; his blood can make the
loo - sen'd tongues em - ploy; ye blind, be - hold, your
God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace.
earth a - broad, the ho - nors of thy Name.
sin - ner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
foul - est clean, his blood a - vailed for me.
Sa - vior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.

Confession of Faith

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.

- Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

Confession of Faith

We join the global and historic church in professing what we believe as Christians, to remind ourselves of the hope we have and the life that hope invites us to live.

Confession of Sin

In God's presence, the evil that mars our lives – corporate and individual – comes to light. Through Jesus Christ, we are safe to be honest about ourselves because we fear no condemnation.

Assurance of Grace

God declares through his Church that all who repent and believe in Jesus Christ are completely forgiven from all their sins and their guilty consciences cleansed.

Confession of Sin

All: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Prayer*

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Hebrews 9, verses 24 through 26:

Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly... but as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Leader: To those who repent of their sin and look to Jesus Christ for salvation, the forgiveness of sins is fully yours, by the grace of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Leader: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

Congregation: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

Congregation: for his steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

How Deep the Father's Love For Us Words and Music: Stuart Townend

(Capo III) F(D) Gm(Em) F(D) B♭(G)

1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how
 2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my
 3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no

3 F(D) Csus(Asus) C(A) F(D) Gm(Em)F(D) B♭(G)

vast be - yond all meas - ure that he should give his on - ly Son to
 sin up - on his shoul - ders. A - shamed, I hear my mocking voice call
 gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But I will boast in Je - sus Christ, his

5 F(D) C(A) F(D) F(D) Gm(Em)F(D) B♭(G)

make a wretch his treas - ure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss. The
 out a - mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held him there un -
 death and res - ur - rec - tion, Why should I gain from his re - ward? I

7 F(D) Dm(Em) C(A) F(D) Gm(Em) F(D) B♭(G)

Fa - ther turns his face a - way as wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring
 til it was ac - com - plished his dy - ing breath has brought me life. I
 can not give an an - swer. But this I know with all my heart: his

9 F(D) C(A) F(D)

man - y sons to glo - - - ry.
 know that it is fin - - - ished.
 wounds have paid my ran - - - som.

Offertory

Offering Collectors:

Suzanne Bauer, Chet Bickhart, Andrea Bootsma, Katy Carter

Offertory

We give back to God our wealth and talents in recognition that they all come from him. These gifts help support the mission and ministries of the church.

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Louis Borgeouis's *Genevan Psalter*

Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly
host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Prayers of the People

We cry out together for grace and mercy in a time of need.

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All: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Passing of the Peace

We remind each other of the peace given us in the gospel – peace first between us and God, leading to reconciled relationships with each other.

Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

Life Together

We share important announcements and prayer requests for our church community.

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Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:1-2, *page 976 in pew Bible*

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Reading

The public reading of God's Word is integral whenever God's people gather to worship. The first step to faith is listening to his Word.

God has ordained the preaching of his Word to illuminate and apply the good news of Jesus Christ to our hearts that would remain dull and hard apart from the operation of his Holy Spirit

Lord, I Need You

Words and Music: Reeves, Stanfill, Maher, Nockels, and Carson

1. Lord, I come, I confess. Bowing here, I find my rest. And without you, I fall apart. You're the one that guides my heart. Lord, I need you, oh, I need you. Ev'ry hour I need you. My one defense, my righteousness; Oh, God, how I need you.

2. Where sin runs deep, your grace is more. Where grace is found is where you are. And where you are, Lord, I am free. Holiness is Christ in me. you. So teach my song to rise to you when temptation comes my way. And when I can not stand, I'll fall on you. Je - sus, you're my hope and stay.

Chords: E, A2, E, B/D#, C#m7, Bsus, B, A2, E, A, E, B, E/G#, A, E/B, A/C#, E/B, B, 1B, A2, E, E, A2, E, B/D#, C#m7, Bsus, A2, E, Bsus, B, A2, E, A, E/G#, Bsus, C#m7, E/G#, A2, A, E/G#, Bsus, C#m7, A2, Bsus, E.

Lord's Supper

God meets us not only in hearing the Word, but also in visible, tangible form – uniting us with himself spiritually by faith in Christ.

Servers come forward as liturgy begins.

We ask that those in the balcony come forward first, followed by those on the main floor, starting in the back row.

Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray and gluten-free wafers are in the center of each bread tray for those who desire such. Please hold the elements until all can partake together.

At the end of the service, please dispose of your cup as you exit the sanctuary.

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Words of Institution

Distributing of Elements

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be unafraid of the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is clear, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise. Amen.

Prayer for Those Desiring to Trust in Jesus Christ for the First Time

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed. And I know that through you I am more loved & accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and providing forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord and desire to live a life of loving and serving you. Amen.

Partaking of the Elements

Communion Servers:

Suzanne Bauer, Chet Bickhart, Andrea Bootsma, Katy Carter

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Words: Charles Wesley, Kevin Twit;
Music: Kevin Twit



1. A - rise my soul, a-rise, shake off your guilt - y fears;
2. He ev - er lives a-bove for me to in - tercede,
3. Five bleed - ing wounds he bears, re - ceived on Cal - vary.
4. My God is re - conciled, his pard 'ning voice I hear;



the bleed - ing sac - ri - fice on my be-half ap pears.
His all re-deem - ing love, his precious blood to plead.
They pour ef - fec - tual prayers; they strongly plead for me.
He owns me for his child; I can no long - er fear;



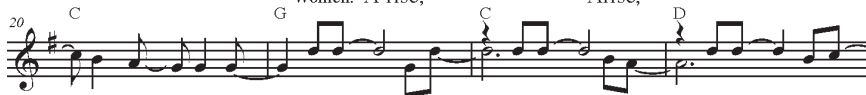
Be - fore the throne my sure - ty stands, be - fore the throne
His blood a - toned for ev - 'ry race, his blood a - toned
For - give him, O for - give, they cry, For - give him, O
With con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, With con - fi - dence



my sure - ty stands. My name is writ - ten on his hands.
for ev - 'ry race, and sprin - kles now the throne of grace.
for give, they cry, Nor let that ran - somed sin - ner die!
I now draw nigh, and "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther!" cry.



Men: A rise, Arise, Arise, Arise
Women: A rise, Arise, Arise, Arise



my soul, a-rise. Arise, Arise, Arise, Arise, Arise, Arise,



my soul, a rise. Shake off your guilt - y fears and rise.

Benediction

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We depart with this 'good word' of God's calling upon our lives in the world.

*Please dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!
Please join us in the social hall for refreshments immediately following the service.*

WELCOME

Welcome visitors! We're glad you could join us. Please fill out a digital visitor card at ctkcambridge.org/visit so we can get to know you better. Find out more by contacting office@ctkcambridge.org.

SUNDAYS

ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Kindergarten through High School Sunday school classes and Adult Education are currently offered Sunday mornings from 9:15a-10:15a. The Adult Education class meets in the social hall.

The **next series in Adult Ed will be on Jesus and the Old Testament**. Jesus was both anticipated by the Old Testament prophets and leaned into their prophecy as explanation of both His mission and character. While the scribes of His day correctly identified His place of birth, in so many other ways, he disappointed their expectations. How much of our own understanding and daily relationship with Him is also colored by our own past and the expectations of our cultures? Join us in January as we explore this topic by reading and comparing both OT and NT scriptures.

FOR FAMILIES

Nursery

- Open during the service for children ages 6 months (and sitting) to 3 years. The room is behind the sanctuary through the doors on the right.
- Please contact children@ctkcambridge.org with questions.

Children's Worship

- Children 4 years through Grade 2 are dismissed from the service prior to the sermon to classes with teaching suited to their age. Parents must escort kids to class in order to check them in.
- Parents may pick up children during the song after the sermon. Please head to the back foyer (4y-Grade K) and Social Hall (Grades 1 & 2) and be sure to have your security tag with you.
- Please contact Dana Russell (dana@ctkcambridge.org) with any questions.

During the service

- Encourage children to participate in each part of the service. For non-readers, place your arms around your child and point to the words in the bulletin as they are read.
- There are 'Pew Pouches' containing writing and drawing supplies in the front foyer of the church, and sermon worksheets available for kids to pick up during the Passing of the Peace to the right of the stage.

During the week

- Reread the Scripture passage. For younger children, read from a storybook Bible or more accessible translation like International Children's Bible (ICB) or NIV available at biblegateway.com.
- Discuss the parts of the service as a family using the worship guide (ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids). Have everyone recall a part of the service that stood out to them.
- Listen to and discuss the songs from the service at ctkcambridge.org/songs. Visit this page to also preview songs to prepare for the upcoming service (songs are updated mid-week).

WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Now as always, Community groups are central to our life together at CTK as a way to study and pray together and serve each other and our communities. Some groups are meeting in person and some are meeting virtually. Please visit ctkcambridge.org/community-groups for a full listing with contact information.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

Men's Bible Study: Andy Stuntz (astuntz@gmail.com)

Women's Ministry: Martha Olson (women@ctkcambridge.org)

Youth Ministry: Ariana Smartt (ariana@ctkcambridge.org)

College Students can join Reformed University Fellowships

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Overseas Partner Liaison: Morgan Crago (missions@ctkcambridge.org)

ONLINE RESOURCES

Samples of the songs for Sunday's worship service are posted on the website by the Wednesday before the service, along with **the coming Sunday's bulletin and Scripture passage**, at ctkcambridge.org/songs.

For **online giving**, visit ctkcambridge.org/giving.

Sermon recordings and Adult Ed classes can be found on the website at ctkcambridge.org/sermons and ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation, respectively.

For recommended **daily Bible reading plans** selected by pastoral staff, visit ctkcambridge.org/daily-bible-readings.

To sign up for the **CTK Reader**, our weekly e-newsletter, visit ctkcambridge.org/reader.

LIFE TOGETHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

For any verbal announcements you may have missed, please visit ctkcambridge.org/this-week.

Hear ye, hear ye! Registration is now open for the **2024 CTK Getaway**, taking place January 26 thru January 28! Visit ctkcambridge.org/getaway for more information and to register! Deadline to register is January 14th!

Attention High Schoolers and Parents of High Schoolers: because of teacher shortage, **there will not be a High School Sunday School class during the month of January**. Class will start on February 4th. If you would be interested in volunteering as a teacher or assistant, please email Cat Sherrill (bostonsherrill@gmail.com).

The **Friday morning men's Bible study is starting a new study in John**, so it's a great time to visit! We meet 6:15-7:15am every Friday here on Zoom for fellowship, reading, reflection, and discussion. No preparation required. Contact Andy (astuntz@gmail.com) with questions.

CTK Women's Mocktail Party! Please join us for fun and fellowship Saturday, Jan 20 from 5-7p at Rebekah Dale's apartment's in Central Square. Space is limited, so please RSVP to women@ctkcambridge.org before Jan 18.

The **Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study** will be starting up again on January 25th at 9:30a in the Social Hall. All are welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CTK:

For more details, see ctkcambridge.org/calendar, or email office@ctkcambridge.org

Sat, Jan 20, 5p :: **Women's Mocktail Party** :: Rebekah Dale's ctkcambridge.org/women

Jan 26-28 :: **CTK Winter Getaway** :: Camp Brookwoods ctkcambridge.org/getaway

WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

For more details, see ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events, or email office@ctkcambridge.org

Tue, 7a :: **Morning Prayer** :: Online ctkcambridge.org/prayer

Fri, 6:15a :: **Men's Morning Bible Study** :: Online ctkcambridge.org/men

LINKS

VISITOR CARD:



READER:



KIDS' SUNDAY SUMMARY:



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