

# CHRIST THE KING

*For the kingdom of God is... righteousness and peace  
and joy in the Holy Spirit. —Romans 14:17*

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2021  
10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## **Prelude**

*No matter how right we are in what we believe about God, no matter how accurately we phrase our belief or how magnificently and persuasively we preach or write or declare it, if love does not shape the way we speak and act, we falsify the creed, we confess a lie. Believing without loving is what gives religion a bad name. Believing without loving destroys lives. Believing without loving turns the best of creeds into a weapon of oppression. A community that believes but does not love or marginalizes love, regardless of its belief system or doctrinal orthodoxy or 'vision statement,' soon, very soon, becomes a 'synagogue of Satan' (Rev. 2:9).*

— Eugene Peterson, *Christ Plays in Ten Thousand Places*

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**

Leader: Let us worship God.

**Congregation: He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.**

Leader: Let us confess with our mouths, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

**Congregation: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.**

Leader: Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts,

**Congregation: confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth. – Psalm 91:2; Romans 10:9,13**

## **Invocation**

# Come, Thou Almighty King

Words: Anonymous ca. 1757;  
Music: Felice de Giardini

1. Come, thou al - might - y - King, help us thy  
2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy  
3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred  
4. To the great one in Three e - ter - nal

5 name to sing, help us to praise. Fa - ther, all  
might - y sword, our prayer at - tend. Come, and thy  
wit - ness bear, in this glad hour. Thou who al -  
prais - es be, hence ev - er - more. His sov - reign

10 glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
peo - ple bless, and give thy Word suc - cess;  
might - y art, now rule in ev - 'ry heart,  
maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

13 come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.  
and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

## **Call to Confession**

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another. — based on *Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*

## **Prayer of Confession**

All: Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unflinching, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

## **Declaration of Absolution**

Leader: The Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. Just as a father has pity on his children, so the Lord has pity on those who fear him. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. To those who repent and look to Jesus Christ for their salvation, the absolution of sins is effected in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**Congregation: the Maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

**Congregation: and our mouths will declare your praise.**

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.**

# Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Words: Elizabeth Clephane;

Music: Christopher Miner



1. Be - neath the cross of Je - sus I faint would take my  
2. O safe and hap - py shel - ter, O ref - uge tried and  
3. Up - on the cross of Je - sus, mine eye at times can  
4. I take, O cross, thy shad - ow for my a - bid - ing



stand. The shad - ow of a might - y rock with -  
sweet, O tryst - ing place where hea - ven's love and  
see the ver - y dy - ing form of one who  
place; I ask no oth - er sun - shine than the



in a wear - y land, a home with - in the  
hea - ven's just - ice meet! As to the ho - ly  
suf - fered there for me; and from my strick - en  
sun - shine of his face; con - tent to let the



wil - derness, a rest up - on the way, from the  
pa - tri - arch that won - drous dream was giv'n, so  
heart with tears two won - ders I con - fess, the  
world go by to know no gain nor loss, my



burn - ing of the noon - tide heat and the bur - den of the day,  
seems my Sa - vior's cross to me, a lad - der up to heav'n.  
won - ders of re - deem - ing love and my un - worth - i - ness.  
sin - ful self my on - ly shame, my glo - ry, all the cross.

# Offertory

## Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;  
Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be  
low; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise him a bove, ye heav'nly  
host, praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-  
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

## Pastoral Prayer

**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.

## A Word for the Kids

# Speak, O Lord

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend

F/A G/B C2 F C F C

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re-ceive the food of your  
2. Teach us, Lord, full o-be-di-ence, ho-ly rev-er-ence, true hu-  
3. Speak, O Lord, and re-new our minds; help us grasp the heights of your

4 A m G/B F/A G/B C2 F C

ho-ly word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and  
mil-i-ty. Test our thoughts and our at-ti-tudes in the  
plans for us. Truths un-changed from the dawn of time, that will

7 F C/E F G sus G C C/E G G/F C/E

fash-ion us in your like-ness, that the light of Christ might be  
ra-di-ance of your pur-i-ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our  
e-chodown through e-ter-ni-ty. And by grace we'll stand on your

10 G sus/F C2/E G G/F C/E A m G sus-G

seen to-day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
eyes to see your ma-jes-tic love and au-thor-i-ty.  
prom-is-es; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us.

13 F/A G/B C2 F C

Speak, O Lord, and ful-fill in us all your  
Words of pow'r that can nev-er fail; let their  
Speak, O Lord, till your church is built and the

15 F C/E F G sus G C

pur-poses, for your glo-ry.  
truth pre-vail o-ver un-be-lief.  
earth is filled with your glo-ry.

## Scripture Reading

Luke 6:43-45

Reader: This is the word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Rev. Omar Ortiz

# Deacons' Fund Offering

## Lift High the Name of Jesus

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty,  
Fionan de Barra, and Ed Cash



1. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our King. Make  
2. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our Lord. His  
3. Lift high the name of Je - sus, of Je - sus our Light. No



known the pow - er of his grace, the beau - ty of his peace. Re -  
pow'r in us is great - er than, is great - er than this world. To  
oth - er name on earth can save, can raise a soul to life. He



mem - ber how his mer - cy reached and we cried out to him. He  
share the rea - son for our hope, to serve with love and grace, that  
o - pens up our eyes to see the har - vest he has grown. We



lift - ed us to so - lid ground to free - dom from our  
all who see him shine through us might bring the Fa - ther  
la - bor in his fields of grace as he leads sin - ners



sin. Oh sing my soul and tell all he's done 'til the  
praise.  
home.



earth and heav ens are filled with his glo - - - ry.

## Benediction



# WELCOME

**Welcome visitors!** We're glad you could join us online. Please fill out a digital visitor card at [ctkcambridge.org/visit](http://ctkcambridge.org/visit) so we can get to know you better. Find out more about us by contacting [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org). For more information on CTK's response to the coronavirus, visit [ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus](http://ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus).

## SUNDAYS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Typically, Christ the King offers classes for adults, youth, and children every Sunday morning. During this hiatus from public gathering, we will be offering Adult Education and Sunday school gatherings on Sunday mornings via Zoom:

The elders and others are team-teaching an Adult Education class on **Christ in the Psalms**. They're exploring some of the traditional "messianic" psalms, as well as questions raised by the psalmist that can only be answered in Christ. Come and see the promised Savior in the songbook and prayer book of scripture.

### FOR FAMILIES

Parents, you might try some of these ideas to help your child(ren) understand and better connect with our worship service.

#### During the service

- Encourage children to participate in each part of the service. During the sermon, children might then complete one of the worship activities provided at [ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids](http://ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids).
- For non-readers, place your arms around your child and point to the words in the bulletin as they are read.

#### After the service / 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](http://biblegateway.com).
- Discuss the service and sermon as a family using the worship guide (at [ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids](http://ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids)) to help children understand each part. 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](http://ctkcambridge.org/songs). Visit this page to also preview songs to prepare for the upcoming service (songs are updated mid-week).

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# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Christ the King is a multi-congregational church worshipping in Cambridge, Dorchester, Wakefield, and Quincy. We also have sister congregations worshipping in East Boston (in Portuguese), Newton, Hanover, West Roxbury, and Somerville. See [ctkboston.org](http://ctkboston.org) to find out more.

## 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. Right now, groups are meeting virtually. Please visit [ctkcambridge.org/community-groups](http://ctkcambridge.org/community-groups) for a full listing with contact information.

## FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

*Currently there are no groups meeting in person, but some ministries and groups are still meeting virtually. Please reach out to the listed contact person to learn more.*

**Men's Fellowship Groups:** Rev. Nathan Barczy ([nathan@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:nathan@ctkcambridge.org))

**Women's Ministry:** Laura Martin ([laura.a.martin87@gmail.com](mailto:laura.a.martin87@gmail.com))

**Youth Community Group:** Dana Russell ([dana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:dana@ctkcambridge.org))

**Vocational Fellowship Groups:** Rev. Nathan Barczy ([nathan@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:nathan@ctkcambridge.org))

**College Students** can join Reformed University Fellowships

BU: [nathan.dicks@ruf.org](mailto:nathan.dicks@ruf.org),

Harvard: [michael.whitham@ruf.org](mailto:michael.whitham@ruf.org),

MIT: [solomon.kim@ruf.org](mailto:solomon.kim@ruf.org).

**Meals Ministry:** Erin Ward ([meals@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:meals@ctkcambridge.org))

**Overseas Partner Liaison:** Morgan Crago ([missions@ctkcambridge.org](mailto: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](http://ctkcambridge.org/songs).

For **online giving**, visit [ctkcambridge.org/giving](http://ctkcambridge.org/giving).

**Sermon recordings and Adult Ed classes** can be found on the website at [ctkcambridge.org/sermons](http://ctkcambridge.org/sermons) and [ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation](http://ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation), respectively.

For recommended **daily Bible reading plans** selected by pastoral staff, visit [ctkcambridge.org/daily-bible-readings](http://ctkcambridge.org/daily-bible-readings).

To sign up for the **CTK Reader**, our weekly e-newsletter, visit [ctkcambridge.org/reader](http://ctkcambridge.org/reader).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Session of CTK has approved a proposal from the deacons for **renovations and repairs of our church building**. This work will include exterior work, such as repointing the brick, and interior work, including repairs and painting in the sanctuary. The work in the sanctuary will affect our in-person worship services as the pews will need to be temporarily removed. **Services will be online-only until late March.**

**Elder sabbaticals:** Elders as well as deacons are strongly encouraged to regularly take sabbaticals. For elders, the pattern is usually six years serving and one year of sabbatical before returning to serve. We have two elders going on sabbatical right now: Bob Sawyer and Tyler Holley. Our active ruling elders are Nathan Carter, Tim Carter, Tim Dietz, Leonard Layne, Rick Olson, Greg Russell, Kris Sachsenmeier, and Matt Sherrill. You can find this information on the website as well at [ctkcambridge.org/staff-officers](http://ctkcambridge.org/staff-officers).

A **Communicants Class** is starting soon for kids who may be ready to join the church. We are adapting the format this year to a co-teaching model. Parents interested in learning more about this class are invited to attend an **informational meeting on Wednesday, March 3 from 8:00-8:45pm on Zoom**. Please contact [dana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:dana@ctkcambridge.org) for details and the Zoom link.

## THIS WEEK AT CTK:

*For more details, see [ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events](http://ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events), or email [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org)*

Sun, 9a :: **Adult Education** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation](http://ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation)

Tue, 7a :: **Morning Prayer** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/prayer](http://ctkcambridge.org/prayer)

Wed, 9a :: **Women's Morning Bible Study** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

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