CHRIST THEKING

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

Sunday, March 7, 2021 10:30 Am Morning Worship

Prelude

We do not become righteous by doing righteous deeds but, having been made righteous, we do righteous deeds. — Martin Luther, The Freedom of a Christian

There is no justification without sanctification, no forgiveness without renewal of life, no real faith from which the fruits of new obedience do not grow. — Martin Luther

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: O God, you are our God, earnestly we seek you;

Congregation: Our souls thirst for you, our flesh faints for you,

All: In a dry and weary land where there is no water.

Leader: We have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and your glory.

Congregation: Because your steadfast love is better than life, our lips will praise you.

Leader: We will bless you as long as we live, and in your name we will lift up our hands.

All: Our souls will be satisfied as with fat and rich food; and our mouths will praise you with joyful lips. -Psalm 63:1-5

Invocation

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Call to Confession

Leader: To the Lord our God belong mercy and for giveness, for we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by walking in his laws. — *Daniel 9:9-10*

Prayer of Confession

All: Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Worship*

Declaration of Absolution

Leader: 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. God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. Whoever believes in him is not condemned. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. 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: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

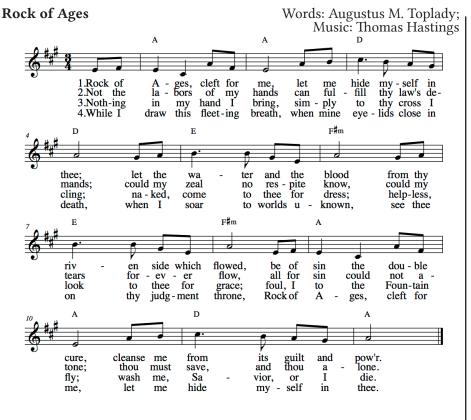
Congregation: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

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.

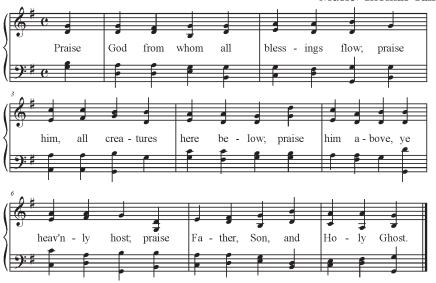
Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.



Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken; Music: Thomas Tallis



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





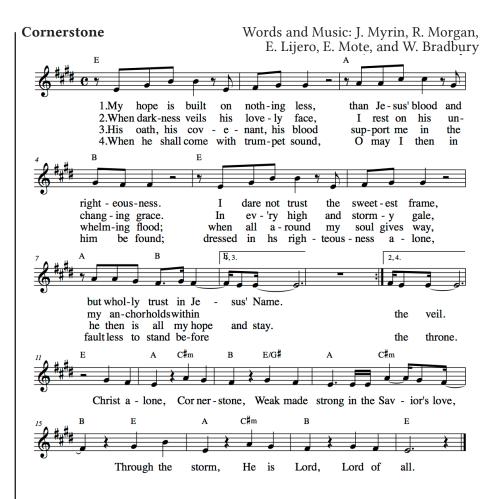
Scripture Reading

Luke 6:46-49

Reader: This is the word of the LORD. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Omar Ortiz



Benediction

Welcome

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

 \cdot 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 NIrV available at biblegateway.com.

 \cdot Discuss the service and sermon as a family using the worship guide (at 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. 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 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 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: Church Office (office@ctkcambridge.org)

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

Youth Community Group: Dana Russell (dana@ctkcambridge.org)

Vocational Fellowship Groups: Church Office (office@ctkcambridge.org)

College Students can join Reformed University Fellowships BU: nathan.dicks@ruf.org, Harvard: michael.whitham@ruf.org, MIT: solomon.kim@ruf.org.

Meals Ministry: Erin Ward (meals@ctkcambridge.org)

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.

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**.

Spring Ahead: Next Sunday (3/14) is the beginning of daylight saving. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead!

The elders of CTK Cambridge appreciate the difficulty of participating in the life of the congregation during the pandemic and in the many transitions we are experiencing. **Over the next several months the elders will be contacting CTK Cambridge members and regular attenders to arrange brief calls (by phone or Zoom) to "check in" and encourage the congregation in our walks with Christ. Going forward we intend to periodically touch base with individuals and families in a more systematic manner. We also encourage you to connect with a CTK Community Group. You can contact Laura Bullock (laura@ctkcambridge.org) to learn of a Community Group in your area or one that meets on a schedule that fits yours. As always, the deacons are ready to assist with financial and other needs you may be facing. In fact, deacons will frequently participate with the elders in the visits we are planning. We intend for these visits to help us fulfill our responsibility to "shepherd the flock" (I Peter 5:2) and ask for your prayers for the session as we serve our Lord together.**

This Week at CTK:

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

- Sun, 9a :: Adult Education :: Online ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation
- Mon, 7:30p :: **Women's Evening Bible Study** :: Online ctkcambridge.org/women
- Tue, 7a :: Morning Prayer :: Online ctkcambridge.org/prayer
- Wed, 9a :: **Women's Morning Bible Study** :: Online ctkcambridge.org/women