

CHRIST THE KING

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

SUNDAY, APRIL 4, 2021
9AM AND 11:15AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Even so, in Christ's resurrection it is precisely the concrete form of Jesus, in its proper beauty, that God desires and calls back. Christ's life is not transformed by the cross into a symbol of 'religious truth,' his form does not melt into a comforting abstraction, because he himself is the only truth, the only way, the only life, and must return as he ever was - sharing food and fellowship with those he loves - if indeed his truth is the truth of God.

— David Bentley Hart, *The Beauty of the Infinite*

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: He is risen!

Congregation: He is risen indeed!

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

Congregation: This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

Leader: The Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh, was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead!

All: Jesus Christ our Lord!

Invocation

Christ the Lord Is Risen Today

Words: Charles Wesley;
Music: *Lyra Davidica*

1. Christ the Lord is ris'n to - day, Al - - le - lu - ia!
2. Lives a - gain our glo - rious King; Al - - le - lu - ia!
3. Love's re - deem - ing work is done, Al - - le - lu - ia!
4. Soar we now where Christ has led, Al - - le - lu - ia!

Sons of men and an - gels say; Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting; Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Fought the fight, the bat - tle won, Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Foll - 'wing our ex - alt - ed Head; Al - - - le - lu - ia!

Raise your joys and tri - umphs high; Al - - - le lu - ia!
Dy - ing once he all doth save. Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Death in vain for - bids him rise; Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Made like him, like him we rise; Al - - - le - lu - ia!

Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, re - ply, Al - - - le lu - ia!
Where thy vic - to - ry, O grave? Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Christ hath op - ened par - a - dise. Al - - - le - lu - ia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies, Al - - - le - lu - ia!

Call to Confession

Jesus said, “Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance. Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.” — from *Luke 5:31-32 and Matthew 11:28-30*

Prayer of Confession

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. — from the *Book of Common Worship*

Declaration of Absolution

Leader: Jesus Christ is risen! We were dead in the trespasses and sins in which we once walked. But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved – and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. 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. — from *Ephesians 2:1-7*

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.

I Know That My Redeemer Lives

Words: Samuel Medley;
Music: John Hatton

D A7 D G A D A/E E A

1. I know that my Re - deem - er lives;
 2. He lives tri - um - phant from the grave,
 3. He lives to bless me with his love,
 4. He lives, my kind, wise, hea - ven-ly friend,
 5. He lives, all glo - ry to his name!

D G D Em D A

what joy this blessed as sur - ance gives.
 he lives e - ter - nal - ly to save.
 he lives to plead for me a - bove.
 he lives and loves me to the end;
 He lives, my Sa - vior, still the same.

D A7 D G Em A

He lives, he lives, who once was dead.
 he lives e - xal - ted a - bove,
 He lives my hun - gry soul to feed,
 he lives, and while he lives, I'll sing;
 What joy this blessed as sur - ance gives,

D G A D Em D A7 D

He lives, my ev - - er - liv - ing Head.
 he lives to rule his church in love.
 he lives to help in time of need.
 he lives, my Pro - phet, Priest, and King.
 I know that my Re - deem - er lives!

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

See What a Morning

Words and Music: Keith Getty
and Stuart Townend

D A/D G D/F# A

1. See what a mor - ning glo - rious - ly bright with the
2. See Ma - ry weep - ing, "Where is he laid?" as in
3. One with the Fa - ther, An - cient of Days, through the

3 B m G D/F# G D/A A

dawn - ing of hope in Je - ru - sa - lem;
sor - row she turns from the emp - ty tomb;
Spi - rit who clothes faith with cer - tain - ty,

5 D A/D G D A/C#

fold - ed the grave - clothes, tomb filled with light as the
hears a voice speak - ing, call - ing her name; it's the
hon - or and bless - ing, glo - ry and praise to the

7 B m G D/F# G D/A A D/F#

an - gels an nounce Christ is ris - en! See God's sal -
Mas - ter, the Lord raised to life a gain! The voice that
King crowned with pow'r and au - thor - i - ty! And we are

10 A/G G D/F# G D/F# G D/F# G

va - tion plan, wrought in love, borne in pain, paid in
spans the years, speak - ing life, stir - ring hope, bring - ing
raised with him, death is dead, love has won, Christ has

12 D/A A D/F# A/G G D/F# G

sac - ri - fice, ful - filled in Christ the man, for he
peace to us, will sound till he ap - pears, for he
con - - quered; and we shall reign with him, for he

15 D/F# G D/A A D

lives, Christ is ris - en from the dead.
lives, Christ is ris - en from the dead.
lives, Christ is ris - en from the dead.

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 15:3-8, 2-21

Reader: This is the word of the LORD.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Omar Ortiz

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Minister: God's Word has much to say to us, and there are many things we are called upon to believe. Yet in this meal that we share together we proclaim what is essential. We proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

All: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Words: M. Bridges and G. Thring;
Music: George J. Elvey

The musical score is written for piano in G major (one sharp) and common time. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has four measures with lyrics: '1. Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his', '2. Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the', '3. Crown him the Lord of peace, whose pow'r a scep - ter', and '4. Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and'. The second system has four measures with lyrics: 'throne. Hark! how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns all', 'grave, and rose vic - tor - ious in the strife for', 'sways from pole to pole that wars may cease, and', and 'side, those wounds, yet vi - si - ble a - bove, in'. Chord symbols are placed above the notes: D, Bm, G, D, Em in the first system, and A sus--A, D, Bm, E, A in the second system.

A E A D G

mu - sic but its own. A - wake, my soul, and sing of
 those he came to save. His glo - ries now we sing, who
 all be prayer and praise. His reign shall know no end, and
 beau - ty glo - ri - fied. All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For

E A D G

him who died for thee, and hail him as thy
 died, and rose on high, who died, e - ter - nal
 round his pier - ed feet fair flow'rs of par - a -
 thou hast died for me; thy praise and glo - ry

Em A D G Asus A D

match - less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 shall not fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

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.
- 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.
- 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)

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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.

THIS WEEK AT CTK:

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

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

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