

CHRIST THE KING

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

PENTECOST SUNDAY
MAY 23, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

O Lord, thou knowest our frame, and rememberest that we are dust. Pity the sorrows of such as are torn by undeserved pain. Refresh all that are worn by perpetual care. Light up the faith of the dying. And comfort the bereaved with Thy regard. Deliver the souls of those who are bound in the chain of their own misdeeds. And send Thy Pentecostal power and joy to those holy ones who have the world's sin for a great burden upon their souls. We bear all our fear, and sin, and sorrow to the Redeemer who bears them all before Thee, and by His intercession heals them all.
— Peter T. Forsyth

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*

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.

Call to Worship

Tim Dietz

Leader: Grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Congregation: Therefore it says, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men."

Leader: And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds, and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ.

Congregation: Until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ. — *Ephesians 4:7-13*

Invocation

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.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words: Joachim Neander;
Music: *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me a -

a - - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
reign - - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - - tion! All ye who hear,
gent - ly sus - tain - - - eth! Hast thou not seen
dai - ly at - tend thee. Pon - der a - new
prais - es be - fore him. Let the A - men

now to his tem - ple draw near,
 how thy de - sires e'er have been
 what the Al - might - y will do,
 sound from his peo - ple a - gain;

79 join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 gran - ted in what he or - dain - - - eth?
 if with his love he be - friend thee.
 glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Psalm 126

Words and Music: Isaac Wardell

Bm G D

1. Our mouths, they were filled, filled with laugh - ter;
 2. The na - tions will say "He has done great things!"

Bm G D

Our tongues, they were loosed loosed with joy.
 The na - tions will sing songs of joy.

G A G

Re - store us, O Lord! Re -

A Asus G D

store us, O Lord! Al - though we are weep - ing,

A Bm G

Lord, help us keep sow - ing the seeds of your King -

D A Bm

dom for the day you will reap them! Your sheaves we will

G D A Bm

car - ry; Lord, please do not tar - ry! All

G Bm A D

those who sow weep - ing will go out with songs of joy!

Call to Confession

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.

Call to Confession

Leader: Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.
I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. — *Psalms 32:1-5*

Prayer of Confession

All: Lord, great God, all holy, Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, we are embarrassed to come before you, for we have preferred the ways of this world to your ways, for we have rebelled against your wisdom and we have gotten into trouble, for we have rejected your fatherly guidance and have gotten lost altogether. To you belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face. O Lord, great God, all holy, filled with awe, Father, most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love, incline your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before you. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of your great mercy. On the ground of your great mercy in the gift of your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in his name that we pray, for he is our Savior and the mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen. — based on *Daniel 9:4-19*

Declaration of Absolution

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.

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.

Thou Lovely Source of True Delight

Words: Anne Steele;
Music: Kevin Twit

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like. Chords are indicated above the staff: E, Bm/E, A, E, Dadd9, A/C#, E, Bm, Dadd9, A, E. The lyrics are arranged in six systems, each corresponding to a line of music. The lyrics are:

1. Thou love - ly source of true de - light whom
2. Thy glo - ry o'er cre - a - tion shines, but
3. 'Tis here, when-e'er my com - forts droop and
4. But ah! Too soon the pleas - ing scene is
5. Je - sus, my Lord, my life, my light, oh
6. Then shall my soul with rap - ture trace the

I un - seen a - dore, un -
in thy sa - cred Word, I
sin and sor - row rise, thy
cloud - ed o'er with pain. My
come with bliss - ful ray, break
won - ders of thy love. But the

veil thy beau - ties to my sight, that
read in fair - er, bright - er lines my
love with cheer - ing beams of hope my
gloom - y fears rise dark be - tween, and
ra - dian - t through the shades of night and
full glo - ries of thy face are

I might love thee more, oh that
bleed - ing, dy - - ing Lord, see my
faint - ing heart sup - plies, oh my
I a - gain com - plain, oh, and
chase my fears a - way, won't you
on - ly known a - bove; they are

I might love thee more.
bleed - ing, dy - - ing Lord.
faint - ing heart sup - plies.
I a - gain com - plain.
chase my fears a - way.
on - - - ly known a - - - bove.

Offertory

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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: Thomas Tallis

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.

Life Together

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

Life Together

Pastoral Prayer

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

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.

Word for the Kids

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. *Please remain in your pews.*

Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

Holy Spirit

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend



1. Holy Spirit, liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new life in - to my will - ing
2. Holy Spirit, come a - bide with - in, may your joy be seen in all I
3. Holy Spirit, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing life to all that God has



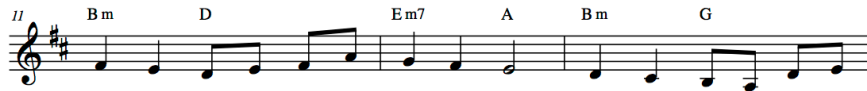
soul. Let the pres - ence of the ris - en Lord come re -
do. Love e - nough to cov - er ev - 'ry sin, in each
made, show your pow - er once a - gain on earth, cause your



new my heart and make me whole.
thought and deed and at - ti - tude.
church to hun - ger for your ways.



Cause your word to come a - live in me;
Kind - ness to the great - est and the least,
Let the fra - grance of our pray'rs a - rise;



give me faith for what I can - not see, give me pas - sion for your
gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace. Turn my striv - ing in - to
lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice, that in u - ni - ty the



pu - ri - ty; Ho - ly Spir - it breathe new life in me.
works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in all I do.
face of Christ may be clear for all the world to see.

Scripture Reading

Joel 2:18-32

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Clyde Godwin

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.

Sermon

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'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.

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Minister: What do you believe?

Congregation: There is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom for all.

- 1 Timothy 2:5-6a

Words of Institution

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.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Words: Charles Wesley;
Music: Rowland H. Prichard

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, joy of heav'n to
2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it, in - to ev - 'ry
3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

7

earth come down; fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing,
troub - led breast! Let us all in thee in - her - it;
life re - ceive; sud - den ly re - turn and nev - er,
let us be. Let us see thy great sal - va - tion

13

all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art
let us find that prom - ised rest. Take a - way our
nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be
per - fect - ly re - stored in thee; changed from glo - ry

19

all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;
bent to sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;
al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,
in - to glo - ry, till in heav'n we take our place,

25

vis - it us with thy sal - va - - - tion,
end of faith, as its be - gin - ning,
pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing,
till we cast our crowns be - fore thee,

29

en - ter ev - - 'ry trem - bling heart.
set our hearts at li - ber - ty.
glo - ry in thy per - fect love.
lost in won - der, love, and praise.

Benediction

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

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** through the end of May. 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).

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

Men's Fellowship Groups: Church Office (office@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.

LIFE TOGETHER

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please note, there will be **no Adult Education or kids' Zoom classes on Sunday, May 30** (Memorial Day weekend).

The **CTK Diaconate is in need of more deacons**. We usually call for officer nominations at the end of each year, but in light of the current need, we are issuing that call for deacon nominations now through the end of May. If you are a member of CTK and want to nominate someone for deacon, or deacons' assistant, please follow these steps:

1. Read 1 Timothy 3:8-13 for biblical qualifications.
2. Approach your nominee and ask that you pray together for wisdom.
3. With the approval of the nominee, please submit the nomination to office@ctkcambridge.org

On **Pentecost Sunday, May 23, at 2pm**, one of the churches in our area, Pentecostal Tabernacle, will be holding a short outdoor worship service and time of fellowship at Dana Park (70 Magazine St., Cambridge). Members of other congregations are welcome to join! Email elder Rick Olson (rickeolson@gmail.com) if you want to join a group of people from CTK who are planning to attend.

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

Sun, 2p :: **Pentecostal Tabernacle Community Worship Service** :: Dane Park

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

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