

# CHRIST THE KING

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

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JUNE 13, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## **Prelude**

*We are not our own: let not our reason nor our will, therefore, sway our plans and deeds.  
We are not our own: let us therefore not set it as our goal to seek what is expedient for us  
according to the flesh. We are not our own: in so far as we can, let us therefore forget our-  
selves and all that is ours. Conversely, we are God's: let us therefore live for him and die  
for him. We are God's: let his wisdom and will rule all our actions.*

— John Calvin, *Institutes of the Christian Religion*

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

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. — *Psalms 63:1-5*

## 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.

## Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Words: Walter C. Smith;  
Music: Welsh hymn melody

1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly  
2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as  
3. To all life thou giv - est, to both great and  
4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry, pure Fa - ther - of

5 wise, in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our  
light, nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in  
small; in all life thou liv - est, the true life of  
light, thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their

9 G G Em G

eyes, most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of  
 might; thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a -  
 all; we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the  
 sight; all praise we would ren - der, O help us to

13 D C D Am D G

Days, al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.  
 above, thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
 tree, and wi - ther and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.  
 see 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

**Lord, Keep Us Steadfast In Your Word**

Words: Martin Luther;  
 Music: *Geistliche Lieder*

Em G Cmaj7

1. Lord, keep us stead - fast in your Word;  
 2. Lord Je - sus Christ, your pow'r make known,  
 3. O Com - fort - er of price - less worth,

4 Em G Bsus B7

Curb those who by de ceit or sword  
 for you are Lord of lords a lone;  
 send peace and u ni ty on earth;

8 Cmaj7 Em7 Em/A

would wrest the king dom from your Son  
 de - fend your ho ly Church, that we  
 sup - port us in our fi - nal strife

12 Cmaj7 D B7 Em

and bring to nought all he has done.  
 may sing your praise tri - um - phant - ly.  
 and lead us out of death to life.

### **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: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!  
O Lord, hear my voice!  
Let your ears be attentive  
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!  
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,  
O Lord, who could stand?  
But with you there is forgiveness,  
that you may be feared. — *Psalm 130:1-4*

### **Prayer of Confession**

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen. — from *the Book of Common Prayer*

### **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: 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. 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.**

# I Glory In Christ

Words: Horatius Bonar;  
Music: Sandra McCracken



1. God for bid that I should glo - ry, Save in the Re - deem - er's cross;  
2. God for bid that I should glo - ry, Save in Christ my Lord a - lone;  
3. God for bid that I should glo - ry, Save in Christ the Son of God;



Counting shame for him but hon - or, Counting earth - ly gain for loss.  
Him I lean on, Him I fol - low, Him be - fore the world I own.  
Him who sought me, Him who bought me, Him who washed me in his blood.



All the love of God is here, Oh\_ love that cast-eth out all fear.

## 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: *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 Father, 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!

### Life Together

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

### Pastoral Prayer

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

### 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.

### Life Together

### 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

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

# Speak, O Lord

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend



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



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



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-cho down through e-ter-ni-ty. And by grace we'll stand on your



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.



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



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

## Scripture Reading

*Proverbs 1:1-7, 3:13-15*

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.

## 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.

## Sermon

Rev. Michael Whitham

## Lord's Supper

### *Invitation*

Minister: What do you believe?

**All: Jesus Christ is the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through him. - based on *John 14:6***

### *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*



# Be Thou My Vision

Words and Music: Ancient Irish Hymn

1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;  
 3. Be thou my breast - plate, my sword for the fight.  
 4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,  
 5. High king of hea - ven, my vic - to - ry won,

naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 Be thou my dig - ni - ty, be thou my might.  
 Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
 may I reach hea - ven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!

Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
 Thou my great Fa - ther, and I thy true son;  
 Thou my soul's shel - - - ter, thou my high tow'r.  
 Thou and thou on - - - ly, first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pre - sence my light.  
 Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.  
 Raise thou me hea - ven ward, O pow'r of my pow'r.  
 high king of hea - ven, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O ru - ler of all.

## 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](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:

In our Adult Education class, we are studying the word *Hesed* (mercy) using Michael Card's book, *Inexpressible: Hesed and the Mystery of God's Lovingkindness*. Twice, Jesus quotes Hosea 6:6 in Matthew 9:13 and 12:7. Please note Jesus desires *hesed*. He wants us to receive mercy, love mercy, and give mercy. This study will take us deep into the heart of the Trinity. Jesus, our good shepherd, is pursuing us today with His goodness and *hesed*.

### 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).

# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Christ the King is a multi-congregational church worshipping in Cambridge, Dorchester, 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

**Men's Fellowship Groups:** Church Office ([office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto: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](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).

# LIFE TOGETHER

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

**Join us for our new, weekly noon-to-one Zoom prayer meeting every Friday.** You are encouraged to pray with us and to fast. Fasting is optional. If you have not built this discipline of grace and gratitude into your life, this is a good place to start. Pray for CTK's praying, individually and corporately. More start up prayer meetings are coming to CTK because Jesus is coming with revival for all of us.

The CTK deacons and deacon assistants are seeking to strengthen our ties to local community-based agencies. In particular, we aim to partner with individuals within local helping professions, including social workers, mental health professionals, and law enforcement. We'd like to start by asking the congregation for help. **If you study or work in any of these areas and are willing to speak with someone on the diaconate,** please email the officers at [deacons@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:deacons@ctkcambridge.org).

**CTK is looking to hire an A/V Coordinator** to help oversee audio/visual operations on Sunday mornings and for occasional special events. Prior experience with sound equipment and/or livestreaming is welcome, but not required. Training will be provided. Contact [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org) if interested.

## 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)

Fri, 12p :: **Noontime Prayer** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/prayer](http://ctkcambridge.org/prayer)

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