

# CHRIST THE KING

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

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JUNE 20, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## **Prelude**

*Adoption by the King is such a radical notion, we resist it. We would rather have the occasional brush of God's presence, or a relic of his solidarity with us, so that God can be an appendage of our identity. But God wants more than that; he wants our lives, our adopted identity. By bringing us into the new reality of the Spirit, we can call out to God — Abba, Father — as adopted children united to Christ. Yet there are few things more countercultural than this process of adoption — losing your life for the sake of Jesus Christ, to find it in communion with the Triune God. — J. Todd Billings, *Union with Christ**

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

Tyler Holley

Leader: Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!

Congregation: Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, whom he has redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south.

Leader: Some wandered in desert wastes, finding no way to a city to dwell in; hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted within them.

Congregation: Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.

Leader: He led them by a straight way till they reached a city to dwell in.

All: Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of men! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things. — *Psalms 107:1-9*

## 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.

## God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

Words: David Clowney;  
Music: Ludwig van Beethoven

The musical score is written for a four-part setting (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) and piano accompaniment. It is in the key of D major and 4/4 time. The lyrics are as follows:

1. God, all na - ture	sings thy glo - ry,	and thy works pro -
2. Clear - er still we	see thy hand in	man whom thou hast
3. But our sins have	spoiled thine im - age;	na - ture, con - science
4. God of glo - ry,	pow - er, mer - cy,	all cre - a - tion

claim thy might,	or - dered vast - ness	in the heav - ens,
made for thee;	rul - er of cre - a - tion's glo - ry,	
on - ly serve	as un - ceas - ing,	grim re - mind - ers
prais - es thee;	we, thy crea - tures,	would a - dore thee

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or - dered course of day and night; beau - ty in the  
 im - age of thy maj - es - ty. Mu - sic, art, the  
 of the wrath which we de - serve. Yet thy grace and  
 now and through e - ter - ni - ty. Saved to mag - ni -

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chang - ing sea - sons, beau - ty in the storm - ing sea;  
 fruit - ful gar - den, all the la - bor of his days,  
 sav - ing mer - cy in thy Word of truth re - vealed  
 fy thy good - ness, grant us strength to do thy will;

13

all the chang - ing moods of na - ture  
 are the call - ing of his Mak - er  
 claim the praise of all who know thee,  
 with our acts as with our voic - es

15

praise the change - less Trin - i - ty.  
 to the har - vest feast of praise.  
 in the blood of Je - sus sealed.  
 thy com - mand - ments to ful - fill.

### **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: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it; you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.  
The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart,  
O God, you will not despise. — *Psalm 51:16,17*

### **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**

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: 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: 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.

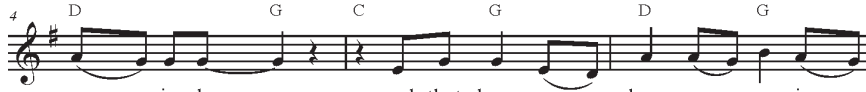
**Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.**

# Father, Long Before Creation

Words: Chinese hymn,  
trans. by Francis Jones;  
Music: Andrew Osenga



1. Fa - ther, long be - fore cre - a - tion, thou hadst cho - sen  
2. Though the world may change its fash - ion, yet our God is  
3. God's com - pas - sion is my sto - ry, is my boast ing  
4. Lov - ing Fa - ther now be - fore thee we will ev - er



us in love, and that love so deep, so mov - ing  
e'er the same; his com - pas - sion and his cov - nant  
all the day; mer - cy free and nev - er fail - ing  
praise thy love, and our songs will sound un - ceas - ing



draws us close to Christ a - bove. Still it keeps us,  
through all a - ges will re - main. God's own chil - dren,  
moves my will, di - rects my way. God so loved us,  
'til we reach our home a - bove, giv - ing glo - ry,



still it keeps us firm - ly fixed in Christ a - lone.  
God's own chil - dren must for - ev - er praise his name.  
God so loved us that his on - ly Son he gave.  
giv - ing glo - ry to our God and to the Lamb.

## 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: Louis Borgeouis's *Genevan Psalter*

Praise God from whom all blessings 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. A - men.

### 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.

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**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.**

### Receiving of New Members

*Claudia Augspurg, Sam Goodman, Madelyn Holley, Hannah Huskey, Raeleigh Huskey, Milena Kastelein, Audrey Muehleisen, Miriam Ward*

## Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

## How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Words and Music: Stuart Townend

(Capo III) F(D) Gm(Em) F(D) B<sup>b</sup>(G)

1. How deep the Fa - ther's love for us, how  
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my  
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no

3 F(D) Csus(Asus) C(A) F(D) Gm(Em)F(D) B<sup>b</sup>(G)

vast be - yond all meas - ure that he should give his on - ly Son to  
sin up - on his shoul - ders. A - shamed, I hear my mocking voice call  
gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But I will boast in Je - sus Christ, his

5 F(D) C(A) F(D) F(D) Gm(Em)F(D) B<sup>b</sup>(G)

make a wretch his treas - ure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss. The  
out a - mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held him there un -  
death and res - ur - rec - tion, Why should I gain from his re - ward? I

7 F(D) Dm(Bm) C(A) F(D) Gm(Em) F(D) B<sup>b</sup>(G)

Fa - ther turns his face a - way as wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring  
til it was ac - com - plished his dy - ing breath has brought me life. I  
can not give an an - swer. But this I know with all my heart: his

9 F(D) C(A) F(D)

man - - y sons to glo - - - - ry.  
know that it is fin - - - - ished.  
wounds have paid my ran - - - - som.

## Scripture Reading

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Rev. Clyde Godwin

## 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.

## 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.

*Servers come forward. Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray and a plate of gluten-free bread on either aisle for those who desire such. Please hold the elements until all can partake together.*

## Lord's Supper

### *Invitation*

Minister: Why is the Son of God called “Jesus,” meaning “savior”?

**All: Because he saves us from our sins. Salvation cannot be found in anyone else; it is futile to look for any salvation elsewhere.**

*- Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 29*

### *Words of Institution*

### *Distributing of Elements*

#### **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*



# All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Words: Edward Perronct  
and John Rippon;  
Music: Oliver Holden

(Capo III) F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) Dm(Bm) F(D) C7(A7)

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate  
 2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the  
 3. Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe on this ter - res - trial  
 4. O that with you - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may

F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) Dm(Bm) C(A) F(D) C(A)

fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a dem, and  
 fall; hail him who saves you by his grace, and  
 ball to him all ma - jes - ty as - cribe, and  
 fall. We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and

F(D) C(A) Dm(Bm) G(E) C(A) F(D)

crown him Lord of all; bring forth the roy - al  
 crown him Lord of all. Hail him who saves you  
 crown him Lord of all, to him all ma - jes -  
 crown him Lord of all. We'll join the ev - er -

C7(A7) Dm(Bm) F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C(A) F(D)

di a dem, and crown him Lord of all.  
 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.  
 ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all.  
 last - ing song, and crown him Lord 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 the summer, we will be offering Adult Education, but our children's Sunday school gatherings are on hiatus until the Fall.

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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**Vocational 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.

Starting June 22, join the **Women's Ministry over the summer as they read and discuss Tish Warren's newest book, *Prayer in the Night*.** Author Tish Warren (who wrote *Liturgy of the Ordinary*) is a former CTK member from some years ago. *Prayer in the Night* takes you through the prayers of compline and talks about the experience of mourning in suffering. Listen through audiobooks or grab a copy and join when you can over the summer. Let Martha Olson know if you need a copy of the book. Some of the meetings will be through zoom and others will be in person (place TBD). Guests are welcome, so invite a friend! The schedule is on the church website calendar, and please email [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org) if you would like a copy of the book ordered for you.

**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)

Tue, 7:30p :: **Women's Book Club** :: Social Hall  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

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

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