

CHRIST THE KING

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

SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
JULY 11, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

It is no use to ask God with factitious earnestness for A when our whole mind is in reality filled with the desire for B. We must lay before Him what is in us, not what ought to be in us... It may well be that the desire can be laid before God only as a sin to be repented; but one of the best ways of learning this is to lay it before God. — C.S. Lewis, Letters to Malcolm

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

Bob Sawyer

Leader: Let us worship God.

Congregation: He is our refuge and our fortress, our God, in whom we trust.

Leader: Let us confess with our mouths, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in our hearts that God raised him from the dead.

Congregation: Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.

Leader: Let us call upon our true God, believing him in our hearts,

Congregation: confessing him with our mouths, worshiping him in spirit and in truth. — Psalm 91:2; Romans 10:9,13

Invocation

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.

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.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Words: Robert Robinson;
Music: Asahel Nettleton

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to

5 grace; streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for
 come; and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly
 be; let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my

8 songs of loud - est praise. Teach me some me - lo - dious
 to ar - rive at home. Je - sus sought me when a
 wan - d'ring heart to thee. Prone to wan - der - Lord, I

11 son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove; praise the
 strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God; he, to
 feel it - prone to leave the God I love; here's my

14 mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

All I Have Is Christ

Words and Music: Jordan Kauffman

1. I once was lost in dark - est night yet thought I knew the
 ran my hell - bound race, in - diff - 'rent to the
 would be yours a - lone and live so all might

way; the sin that pro - mised joy and life had led me
 cost, you looked up - on my help - less state and led me
 see the strength to fol - low your com - mands could ne - ver

to the grave. I had no hope that you would
 the cross; and I be - held God's love dis -
 come from me. O Fa - ther use my ran - somed

own played, a re - bel to your will, and if you
 life in a - ny way you choose, you bore the
 you suf - fered in my place, and let my

had not loved me first, I would re - fuse you still.
 wrath re - served for me, now all I know is
 song for - ev - er be my on - ly boast is

2. But as I grace! Hal le - lu - jah! All I
 you.

have is Christ! Halle - lu - jah! Jesus is my life! 3. Now Lord I

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: "Yet even now," declares the Lord, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; and rend your hearts and not your garments." Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love; and he relents over disaster. — *Joel 2:12-13*

Prayer of Confession

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against your divine Majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; the remembrance of them is grievous unto us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past; and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 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.

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Words: William Kirkpatrick,
based on Psalm 146;
Music: Darwin Jordan

1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -
2. Hap - py is the man that choos - es Is - rael's God to
3. Food he dai - ly gives the hun - gry, sets the mourn - ing
4. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -

4
Em A D D/C# Bm7 D/A
ho - vah praise; I will sing the glor - ious prais - es
be his aid; He is blest whose hope of bless - ing
pris - ner free, rais - es those bowed down with an - guish,
ho - vah praise; I will sing the glor - ious prais - es,

7
G D/F# Em A Bm
Of my God through all my days. Put no con - fi -
on the Lord his God is stayed. Heav'n and earth the
makes the sight - less eyes to see. Well Je - ho - vah
of my God through all my days. O - ver all God

10
Bm/A G D E A
dence in princ - es, nor for help on man de - pend;
Lord cre - a - ted, seas and all that they con - tain;
loves the right - eous, and the stran - ger he be - friends,
reigns for - ev - er, through all a - ges he is King;

13
D D/C# Bm7 D/A G D/F#
He shall die, to dust re - turn - ing, and his pur - pos -
He de - liv - ers from op - press - ion, right - eous - ness he
helps the fa - ther - less and wid - ow, judg - ment on the
un - to him, thy God, O Zi - on, joy - ful hal - le -

16
A D
es shall end.
will main - - - tain.
wick - - - - ed sends.
lu - - - - jahs sing.

Offertory

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.

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.

Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Thomas Tallis

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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!

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Words: Isaac Watts;

Music: Gregorian Chant, arr. by Lowell Mason

1. When I sur - vey the won - drous cross
 2. For - bid it, Lord, that I should boast,
 3. See, from his head, his hands, his feet,
 4. Were the whole realm of na - ture mine,

5 on which the Prince of glo - ry died,
 save in the death of Christ my God;
 sor - row and love flow min - gled down;
 that were a pres - ent far too small;

9 my rich - est gain I count but loss,
 all the vain things that charm me most,
 did e'er such love and di - vine,
 love so a - maz - ing, so di - vine,

13 and pour con - tempt on all my pride.
 I sac - ri - fice them to his blood.
 or thorns com - pose so rich a crown?
 de - mands my soul, my life, my all.

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.*

Scripture Reading

1 Samuel 8:1-9, 19-22

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Rick Lints

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Minister: What do you believe?

All: Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, he was buried, and he was raised on the third day.

- from 1 Corinthians 15:3b-4a

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

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Words: Charles Wesley;
Music: Kathryn Baldanza

The musical score is written in treble clef with a key signature of three sharps (F#, C#, G#) and a common time signature (C). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a chord of E. The second staff begins with a chord of E and ends with chords of A and B. The third staff begins with a chord of E and ends with chords of A and B. The fourth staff begins with a chord of C#m and ends with a chord of E. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words split across lines. The lyrics are: 1. Re - joice, the Lord is King; Your Lord and King a - 2. Je - sus the sa - vior reigns, the God of truth and 3. His king - dom can - not fail, he rules o'er earth and 4. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall
dore! Re - joice, give thanks and sing, and tri-umph ev - er - love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - heav'n; the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus come, and take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal
more. Lift up your heart, lift up your
bove.
giv'n.
home.
voice! Re - joice a - gain, I say, re - joice!

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 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.
- 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, 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:

As we plan for **resuming children's ministry in-person this fall**, we invite all members to watch a video to hear how you may pray for us and consider serving with our kids. We've also changed our policies and ask all volunteers to complete updated safety measures this summer (whether or not you'll be ready to serve in the coming months). The video is available in the CTK Reader or at our website: ctkcambridge.org/childprotection.

If you **need a ride to church** on Sunday mornings, or if you are **able to give rides to others** on Sunday mornings, please email laura@ctkcambridge.org to arrange a ride share!

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

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

Tue, 7:30p :: **Women's Book Club** :: Online
ctkcambridge.org/women

Fri, 12p :: **Noontime Prayer** :: Online
ctkcambridge.org/prayer

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