

# CHRIST THE KING

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30, 2020  
10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## Prelude

*Grace first inscribed my name,  
In God's eternal book:  
'Twas grace that gave me to the Lamb  
Who all my sorrows took.*

*Grace taught my soul to pray,  
And pardoning love to know;  
'Twas grace that kept me to this day,  
And will not let me go. — Phillip Doddridge, 'Grace! 'Tis a Thrilling Sound'*

*The grace of God is love freely shown toward guilty sinners, contrary to their merit and indeed in defiance of their demerit. It is God showing goodness to persons who deserve only severity and had no reason to expect anything but severity... Once a person is convinced that his state and need are as described, the New Testament gospel of grace cannot but sweep him off his feet with wonder and joy. For it tells how our Judge has become our Savior.*

— J.I. Packer, *Knowing God*

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: 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**

# All Creatures of Our God and King

Words: St. Francis of Assisi;  
 Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*

1. All crea - tures of our God and King, lift  
 2. Thou rush - ing wind that art so strong Ye  
 3. Thou flow - ing wa - ter pure and clear Make  
 4. All ye who are of ten - der heart For -  
 5. Let all things their Cre - a - tor bless, and

up your voice and with us sing Alle - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
 clouds that sail in Heav'n a - long, O praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
 mu - sic for thy Lord to hear Alle - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
 giv - ing oth - ers take your part O sing ye! Al - le - lu - ia! Ye  
 wor - ship him in hum - ble - ness. O praise him! Al - le - lu - ia! Praise,

burn - ing sun with gold - en beam, thou sil - ver moon with soft - er gleam,  
 ris - ing morn in praise re - joice, Ye lights of ev'n - ing find a voice,  
 fire so mas - ter - ful and bright That giv - est man both warmth and light, O  
 who long pain and sor - row bear, Praise God and on him cast your care  
 praise the Fa - ther praise the Son and praise the Spi - rit, Three in One

praise him, O praise him, Alle - lu - ia, Alle - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

## **Call to Confession**

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another. — based on *Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*

## **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**

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: 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.**

Psalm 23

Words and Music: Stuart Townend

D                    Asus                    D

1. The Lord's my Shep-herd, I'll not want. He makes me  
 2. He guides my ways in right-eous-ness, and he a-  
 3. And though I walk the dark-est path, I will not

3                    D                    G/B                    A                    G                    A

lie in pas-tures green. He leads me by the still, still  
 noints my head with oil; And my cup, it o-ver-  
 fear the e-vil one; For you are with me, and your

6                    D                    G/B                    Em7                    Asus                    A                    D

wa-ters, his good-ness re stores my soul. Men: And I will  
 flows with joy, I feast on his pure de-lights.  
 rod and staff are the com-fort I need to know.

9                    D                    Asus                    D                    D                    G/B

Women: I will trust, I will trust in you. I will trust, I will  
 trust in you a-lone, and I will trust in you a-lone,

12                    A                    G                    Asus                    A                    D                    G/B

trust in you. End-less mer-cy fol-lows me,  
 lone; foryour end-less mer-cy fol-lows me, your

15                    Em7                    Asus                    A                    D

good-ness will lead me home.  
 good-ness will lead me home.

## Offertory

### 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.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. It consists of three systems of music. The first system has six measures, the second has six measures starting with a measure rest of 7, and the third has six measures starting with a measure rest of 13. The piano accompaniment is in the left hand, and the vocal line is in the right hand. The lyrics are placed below the vocal line.

### 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

# The Power of the Cross

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend

F/A G/B C C G7/D C/E

1. Oh to see the dawn of the dark - est day.  
2. Oh to see the pain writ - ten on your face,  
3. Now the day - light flees, now the ground be - neath  
4. Oh to see my name writ - ten in the wounds,

3 F C/E Dm7 Fmaj7 Gsus-G F/A G/B C

Christ on the road to Cal - va - ry. Tried by sin - ful men,  
bear - ing the awe - some weight of sin. Ev - 'ry bit - ter thought,  
quakes as its Mak - er bows his head. Cur - tain torn in two,  
for through your suf - fring I am free. Death is crushed to death,

6 C G7/D C/E F C/E Fmaj7 Gsus G C/E

orn and beat - en then nailed to a cross of wood. This the  
ev - 'ry e - vil deed crown - ing your blood - stained brow.  
dead are raised to life. "Fin - ished!" the vic - t'ry cry.  
life is mine to live won through your self - less love! This the

9 F G/B C C/E F G/B C C/E

pow'r of the cross. Christ be - came sin for us. Took the

pow'r of the cross. Son of God slain for us. What a

13 F D/F# G G/F C/E F Gsus G C

blame, bore the wrath, we stand for - giv - en at the cross.

name, what a cost, we stand for - giv - en at the cross.

Sermon

Rev. Rick Downs

## Lord's Supper

### *Invitation*

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him.  
– *Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1*

### *Words of Institution*

### *Prayer of Thanksgiving*

## Prayer for Rick and T Downs



# O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Words: Trevor Francis;  
Music: Thomas Williams

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It consists of five systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment (bass clef). The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is common time (C). The lyrics are arranged in three lines per system, with the piano accompaniment providing a harmonic and rhythmic foundation. The lyrics describe the deep love of Jesus, his sacrifice, and his promise of eternal life.

1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus, vast, un - mea - sured,  
2. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus, spread his praise from  
3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus, love of ev - 'ry

boundless, free; rol - ling as a might - y o - cean  
shore to shore; how he lov - eth, e - ver lov - eth,  
love the best; 'tis an o - cean vast of bles - sing,

in its full - ness o - ver me. Un - der - neath me,  
chang - eth ne - ver, ne - ver - more; how he watch - es  
'tis a ha - ven sweet of rest; O the deep, deep

all a - round me, is the cur - rent of thy love;  
o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own;  
love of Je - sus, 'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;

lead - ing on - ward, lead - ing homeward, to thy glo - rious rest a - bove,  
how for them he in - ter - ce - deth, watcheth o'er them from the throne,  
and it lifts me up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to thee.

## Benediction

# 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).

## 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:

**Our Only Comfort: A Study of The Heidelberg Catechism.** Since its publication in 1563, the Heidelberg Catechism has become one of the most widely circulated books in the world, and it's not hard to see why. Alongside its clear presentation of Christian doctrine, it's truly beloved for its pastoral spirit and its emphasis on the tremendous consolation and encouragement to be found in the gospel. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn and be refreshed - come join the discussion on Zoom! We recommend that you purchase Kevin DeYoung's excellent guide to the Catechism, *The Good News We Almost Forgot*.

### 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 NIrV 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).

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# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

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

*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:** Rev. Nathan Barczy ([nathan@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:nathan@ctkcambridge.org))

**Women's Ministry:** Laura Martin ([laura.a.martin87@gmail.com](mailto:laura.a.martin87@gmail.com))

**Youth Community Group:** Dana Russell ([dana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:dana@ctkcambridge.org))

**Vocational Fellowship Groups:** Rev. Nathan Barczy ([nathan@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:nathan@ctkcambridge.org))

**College Students** can join Reformed University Fellowships

BU: [nathan.dicks@ruf.org](mailto:nathan.dicks@ruf.org),

Harvard: [michael.whitham@ruf.org](mailto:michael.whitham@ruf.org),

MIT: [solomon.kim@ruf.org](mailto:solomon.kim@ruf.org).

**Meals Ministry:** Erin Ward ([meals@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:meals@ctkcambridge.org))

**Overseas Partner Liaison:** Morgan Crago ([missions@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:missions@ctkcambridge.org))

## 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).

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

After two decades of faithful service at CTK, our beloved pastor Rick Downs is stepping away as senior pastor at the end of August. To learn more about this transition and what comes next for CTK, please visit [ctkcambridge.org/transition](http://ctkcambridge.org/transition).

For more information on CTK's response to the coronavirus — both what we are actively doing now and what we are preparing for in the future — visit [ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus](http://ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus).

**Time Change:** the Adult Education class on the Heidelberg Catechism is now meeting at 9am on Sundays via Zoom.

If children would like to share their completed Sunday morning coloring page with the congregation, email us a photo or scanned copy and we'll include it in the announcements slideshow that airs just prior to the livestream service.

**Newcomers! Welcome to CTK!** We know this is a strange time to be joining a new church and we want to encourage you to get connected insofar as you are able. We have weekly Community Groups, most of which meet online. We will also have a newcomers class called Discovering CTK later in the fall. For more information on these or other ways to get involved, please email [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org).

## WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

*For more details, see [ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events](http://ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events)*

Sun, 9a :: **Adult Education** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation](http://ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation)  
(Nathan Barczy, [nathan@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:nathan@ctkcambridge.org))

Tue, 7a :: **Morning Prayer** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/prayer](http://ctkcambridge.org/prayer)  
(Laura Bullock, [laura@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:laura@ctkcambridge.org))

Fri, 5p :: **Theology Reading Group** :: Mystic River State Reservation  
(Nathan Barczy, [nathan@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:nathan@ctkcambridge.org))

## DAILY PRAYER ONLINE:

*Visit [ctkboston.org/prayer](http://ctkboston.org/prayer) for more information*

Mon, Wed, 6:30a :: **Morning Prayer**

Tue, Thu, 8a :: **Morning Prayer**

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