

# CHRIST THE KING

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
JULY 30, 2023 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## Prelude

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

Rev. Travis Drake

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. — Psalm 63:1-5**

## 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, Christians, Join to Sing

Words: Christian Bateman;  
Music: Traditional Spanish melody

G C G G C D<sup>sus</sup> D G

1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain, al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

G C G G C D<sup>sus</sup> D G

Loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Let prais - es fill the sky; al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
Life shall not end the strain; al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

G C D G C D

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - jice;  
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con - des - cend;  
On hea - ven's bliss - ful shore, his good - ness we'll a - dore,

G C D G C D<sup>sus</sup> D G

praise is his gra - cious choice. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
his loveshall ne - ver end. Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!  
sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

# Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Words and Music: Matt Papa,  
Matt Boswell, and Michael Bleecker



1. Come be - hold the won drous mys - tery, in the  
 2. Come be - hold the won drous mys - tery; He the  
 3. Come be - hold the won drous mys - tery; Christ the  
 4. Come be - hold the won drous mys - tery; slain by



dawn - ing of the King. He, the theme of heav-en's  
 per - fect Son of Man, In his liv - ing, in his  
 Lord up - on the tree. In the stead of ru - ined  
 death, the God of life. But no grave could e'er re -



prais - es, robed in frail hu - man - i - ty. In our  
 suf - fering, nev - er trace nor stain of sin. See the  
 sin - ners hangs the Lamb in vic - tor - y! See the  
 strain him; praise the Lord, he is a - live! What a



long - ing, in our dark - ness, now the light of life has  
 true and bet - ter A - dam, come to save the hell - bound  
 price of our re - demp - tion, see the Fath - er's plan un -  
 fore - taste of de - liv - erance, how un - wav - er - ing our



come! Look to Christ who con - de - scend - ed, took on  
 man, Christ the great and sure ful - fill - ment of the  
 fold, bring - ing man - y sons to glo - ry; grace un -  
 hope. Christ in pow - er re - sur - rect - ed, as we



flesh to ran - som us.  
 law; in him we stand.  
 meas - - - ured love un - - - told!  
 will be when he comes.

### **Confession of Sin**

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.

### **Assurance of Grace**

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.

### **Confession of Sin**

**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.**

### **Assurance of Grace**

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Colossians 1, verses 13 and 19 through 20:

*God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins... For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.*

Leader: To those who repent of their sin and look to Jesus Christ for salvation, the forgiveness of sins is fully yours, by the grace of God the Father, the Son and 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.**

# In Christ Alone

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend

G D G A Bm

1. In Christ a - lone my hope is found, he is my  
2. In Christ a - lone, who took on flesh, full - ness of  
3. There in the ground his bod - y lay, Light of the  
4. No guilt in life, no fear in death, this is the

4 G Em A D G D G

light, my strength, my song; this cor - ner - stone, this sol - id  
God in help - less babe. This gift of love and right eous -  
world by dark - ness slain; then burst - ing forth in glo - rious  
pow'r of Christ in me; from life's first cry to fi - nal

7 A Bm G Em A D D/F#

ground, firm through the fierc - est drought and storm. What heights of  
ness, scorned by the ones he came to save. Till on that  
day, up from the grave he rose a - gain! And as he  
breath, Je - sus com - mands my des - ti - ny. No pow'r of

10 G Bm A D/F# G Bm

love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when striv - ings  
cross, as Je - sus died, the wrath of God was sat - is -  
stands in vic - to - ry, sin's curse has lost its grip on  
hell, no scheme of man, can ev - er pluck me from his

13 A G D G A Bm

cease, my Com - fort - er, my all in all, here in the  
fied; for ev - 'ry sin on him was laid. Here in the  
me; for I am his and he is mine, bought with the  
hand; till he re - turns or calls me home, here in the

16 G Em A D

love of Christ I stand.  
death of Christ I live.  
pre - cious blood of Christ.  
pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

## 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.

## Offertory

### Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;  
Music: Louis Bourgeois'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.

## Prayers of the People

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

## Prayers of the People

**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.

## 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.

## Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

## Life Together

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

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Laura Bullock, Elizabeth Cantrell, Bob Sawyer, Kelly Sawyer

# Scripture Reading

Matthew 5:13-16, p810 in pew Bible

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

# Sermon

*Salt and Light*

Rev. Abe Cho

# Behold the Lamb

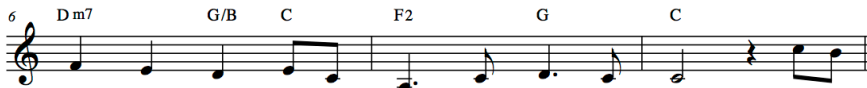
Words and Music: Keith Getty,  
Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us;  
 2. The bod - y of our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ, torn for you;  
 3. The blood that cleans - es ev - 'ry stain of sin, shed for you;  
 4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re - spond



and we re - mem - ber the prom - ise made that all who  
 Eat and re - mem - ber the wounds that heal, the death that  
 Drink and re - mem - ber he drained death's cup that all may  
 and to re - mem - ber our call to fol - low in the



come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross. So, we  
 brings us life, paid the price to make us one. So, we  
 en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God. So, we  
 steps of Christ as his bod - y here on earth. As we



share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of his sac - ri fice, as a  
 share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of his sac - ri fice, as a  
 share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of his sac - ri fice, as a  
 share in his suf - fer ing, we pro - claim: Christ will come again! And we'll



sign of our bonds of peace a - round the ta - ble of the King  
 sign of our bonds of love a - round the ta - ble of the King.  
 sign of our bonds of grace a - round the ta - ble of the King.  
 join in the feast of heav'n a - round the ta - ble of the King.

# 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 as liturgy begins.*

*We ask that those in the balcony come forward first, followed by those on the main floor, starting in the back row.*

*Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray and gluten-free wafers are in the center of each bread tray for those who desire such. Please hold the elements until all can partake together.*

*At the end of the service, please dispose of your cup as you exit the sanctuary.*

## Lord's Supper

*Invitation*

*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.*

*Partaking of the Elements*

## Deacons' Fund Offering



# Give Thanks to the Lord

Words and Music: Brad Smith

1. Give thanks to the Lord for the works of his hand, for a  
2. Give thanks to the Fa - ther for send - ing his Son, give

king - dom that can - not be sha - ken. Give thanks to the Lord for we  
thanks to the Son for his Spi - rit. Now lift up your voic - es to

all now can stand and fear not of be - ing for - sa - ken. Give  
God, three in one, and shout so the whole world can hear it.

thanks to the Lord for his right - eous - ness. Give thanks to the Lord for his

love. Let us wor - ship his name and his ho - li - ness. Give thanks to the

Lord, Oh, give thanks to the Lord Give thanks.

Chords: D, G, A, G, Bm, Asus, A, D, D/F#, G, A, D, D/F#, G, Asus, A, Bm, G2, Asus, A, C6, Asus, A, D, G

## Benediction

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

*Please dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!  
Please join us outside for refreshments immediately following the service, as weather permits.*

# WELCOME

**Welcome visitors!** We're glad you could join us. 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 by contacting [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org).

## SUNDAYS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Adult Education and Children & Youth Sunday School classes are currently on hiatus for the summer.

## FOR FAMILIES

### Nursery

- Open during the service for children ages 6 months (and sitting) to 3 years. The room is behind the sanctuary through the doors on the right.
- Please contact Lara Kastelein ([lara@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:lara@ctkcambridge.org)) with questions.

### Children's Worship

- Children 4 years through Grade 2 are dismissed from the service prior to the sermon to classes with teaching suited to their age. Parents must escort kids to class in order to check them in.
- Parents may pick up children during the song after the sermon. Please head to the back foyer (4y-Grade K) and Social Hall (Grades 1 & 2) and be sure to have your security tag with you.
- Please contact Dana Russell ([dana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:dana@ctkcambridge.org)) with any questions.

### During the service

- Encourage children to participate in each part of the service. For non-readers, place your arms around your child and point to the words in the bulletin as they are read.
- There are 'Pew Pouches' containing writing and drawing supplies in the front foyer of the church, and sermon worksheets available for kids to pick up during the Passing of the Peace to the right of the stage.

### 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 parts of the service as a family using the worship guide ([ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids](http://ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids)). 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 pre view songs to prepare for the upcoming service (songs are updated mid-week).

# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

## 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. Some groups are meeting in person and some 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 Bible Study:** Andy Stuntz ([astuntz@gmail.com](mailto:astuntz@gmail.com))

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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:

**Women's Group Climbing Event** - Join the women of CTK for a morning of bouldering at Central Rock Gym in Cambridge from 10am -12pm on August 26th. All climbing abilities are welcome - no experience is needed. The cost of a day pass will be discounted to \$20 with rental shoes included! To speed up the check in process, please fill out a waiver at <https://centralrockgym.com/cambridge/welcome/plan-a-visit/> before arriving. If you have questions about the event or climbing techniques please contact Rebekah Tsang ([tsangrm@gmail.com](mailto:tsangrm@gmail.com)).

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT CTK:

*For more details, see [ctkcambridge.org/calendar](http://ctkcambridge.org/calendar), or email [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org)*

Sat, Aug 26, 10a :: **Women's Climbing Trip** :: Central Rock [ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

## WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

*For more details, see [ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events](http://ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events), or email [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org)*

Tue, 7a :: **Morning Prayer** :: Online [ctkcambridge.org/prayer](http://ctkcambridge.org/prayer)

Fri, 6:15a :: **Men's Morning Bible Study** :: Online [ctkcambridge.org/men](http://ctkcambridge.org/men)

**\*\*Please note, Women's Bible Studies are on hiatus for the summer.**

## LINKS

GIVING:



READER:



VISITOR CARD:



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