# CHRIST THEKING

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

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY JANUARY 9, 2022 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

# Prelude

To the extent that God's revelation as such accomplishes what only God can accomplish namely, restoration of the fellowship between man with God which we had disrupted a destroyed; to the extent that God in the fact of His revelation treats His enemies as His to the extent that in the fact of revelation God's enemies already are actually His friend tion itself is reconciliation. — Karl Barth, Church Dogmatics: The Doctrine of the Work	<i>nd indeed</i> <i>s friends;</i> <i>ds, revela-</i>
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 Kris Sachse	
Leader: The Lord is our light and our salvation — whom shall we find that the salvation $-$ whom shall we find that the salvation $-$ when the salvation $-$ wh	fear? God calls his people to assemble for worship; accordingly the church
Congregation: The Lord is the stronghold of our lives – of w shall we be afraid?	
Leader: Though an army encamp against us, our hearts shall not f though war arise against us, yet we will be confident.	ear;
Congregation: We believe that we shall look upon the good the Lord in the land of the living.	ness of
Leader: Let us wait for the Lord.	
<b>All: Let us be strong and take courage and wait for the Lord</b> — from <i>I</i>	
Invocation	

Preparation

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.



## **Call to Confession**

Leader: For thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, "In repentance and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength." - Isaiah 30:15

## **Prayer of Confession**

All: Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Prayer* 

#### **Declaration of Absolution**

Leader: We know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified. For through the law we died to the law, so that we might live to 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: Christians, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen. – *Apostles' Creed* 

### 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.

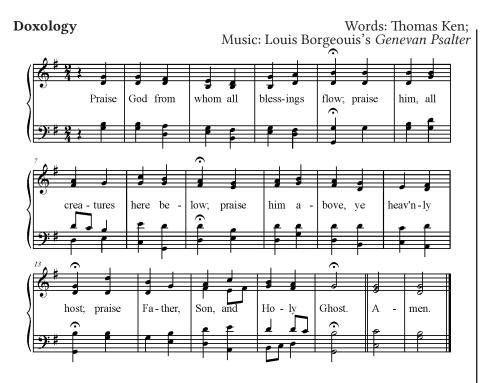
Declaration of Absolution

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.



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



Life Together

## **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.

## Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

# Congregation: And also with you!

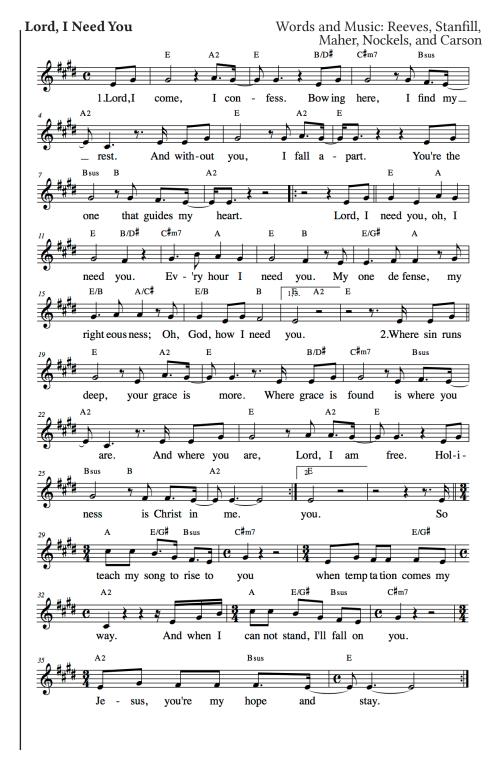
**Life Together** We share important announcements and prayer requests for our church community.

#### Prayers of the People

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

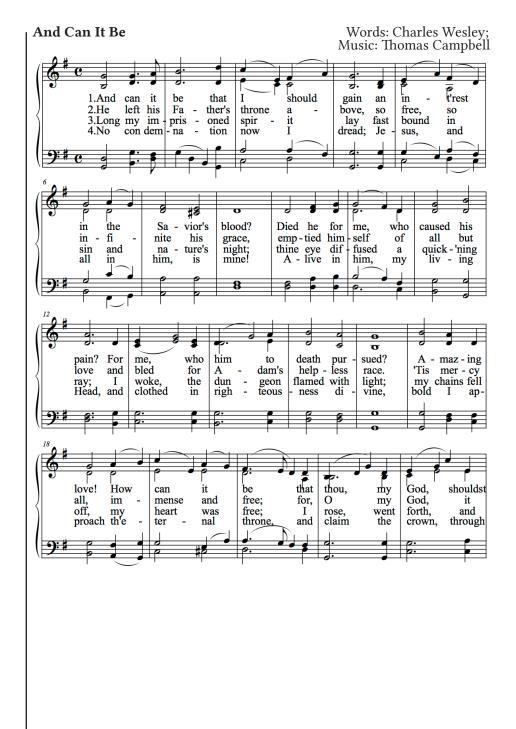
#### Passing of the Peace

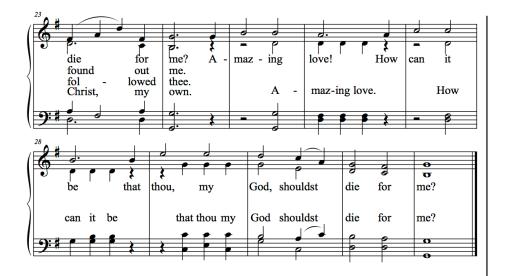
We remind each other of the peace given us in the gospel – peace first between us and God, leading to reconciled relationships with each other.



Scripture Reading Reader: This is the word of God for the people of God Congregation: Thanks be to God.	Romans 7:21-8:3 I.	<b>Scripture Reading</b> The public reading of God's Word is integral whenever God's people gather to wor- ship. The first step to faith is listening to his Word.
<b>Sermon</b> Re	ev. Clyde Godwin	<b>Sermon</b> God has ordained the preaching of his Word to
Lord's Supper		illuminate and apply the good news of Jesus Christ
Invitation		to our hearts that would remain dull and hard
Minister: The Lord be with you.		apart from the operation of his Holy Spirit
Congregation: And also with you.		Lord's Supper
Minister: Lift up your hearts.		God meets us not only in hearing the Word, but also in visible, tangible form – uniting us with himself spiritually by faith
Congregation: We lift them up to the Lord.		
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.		
Congregation: It is right to give him thanks and praise.	,	Servers come forward as liturgy begins.
Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.		
All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come ag	gain.	
Words of Institution		
Distributing of Elements <b>Prayer for Those Searching for Truth</b> Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the re you are. Grant that I might be unafraid of the cost of followin consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of clear, convincing, and that leads to the life you promise.	eality of who ng you as I of you that is	We ask that those in the balcony come forward first; those seated in the outer pews can then come forward, starting from the back rows; finally, those in the center pews can come forward, starting from the back row.
<b>Prayer for Those Desiring to Trust in Jesus Christ for the H</b> Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I believed. And I know that through you I am more loved & acc ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my on the cross, and providing forgiveness and new life. Knowir have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receiv Savior and Lord and desire to live a life of loving and serving	ever before epted than I punishment ng that you ve you as my	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 un- til all can partake together.
Prayer of Thanksgiving		
Laura Bullock, AJ Fenton, Ambrose Huang, Rachel Th	rasher	

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# Benediction

Minister: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

— Jude 24-25

#### Benediction

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

All: Amen.

# Welcome

**Welcome visitors**! We're glad you could join us online. Please fill out a digital visitor card at ctk-cambridge.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. Currently, we are offering Adult Education on Zoom, but our children's Sunday school gatherings are on hiatus.

Starting January 9, our Adult Education class will be studying the book *How Does God Changes Us?* by Dane Ortland. If you need a copy of the book, please email office@ctkcambridge.org.

# For Families

## Nursery

- Open during the service for up to 8 registered participants ages 6 months (and sitting) to 3 years, with a waitlist available. The room is behind the sanctuary through the doors on the right.
- Please contact Lara Kastelein (lara@ctkcambridge.org) with questions or to cancel if registered and unable to make it.

## Children's Worship

- Children 4–5 years are dismissed from the service prior to the sermon to a class that teaches about worship suited to their age. Parents must escort kids to class in order to check them in and pick them up after the service.
- Class capacity is 10 registered students, with a waitlist available. Parents may sign up children for class when registering for the service.
- Please contact Dana Russell (dana@ctkcambridge.org) with any questions or to cancel if registered and unable to make it.

# 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.
- During the sermon, kids may complete one of the worship activities available at ctkcambridge. org/ worship-kids or in the church foyer along with 'Pew Pouches' containing writing and drawing supplies.

## 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.
- Discuss the parts of the service as a family using the worship guide (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. Visit this page to also preview 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. 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)

Women's Ministry: Martha Olson (women@ctkcambridge.org)

Youth Ministry: Ariana Smartt (ariana@ctkcambridge.org)

Vocational Fellowship Groups: Church Office (office@ctkcambridge.org)

College Students can join Reformed University Fellowships BU: nathan.dicks@ruf.org, serena.jones@ruf.org Harvard: michael.whitham@ruf.org, catherine.cook@ruf.org MIT: solomon.kim@ruf.org

Meals Ministry: Erin Ward (meals@ctkcambridge.org)

Overseas Partner Liaison: Morgan Crago (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.

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:**

**Registration Reminder:** We continue to ask that folks please register to attend on Sunday mornings. Whether you choose distanced or open, registering allows staff to know how many seats of each type we need. **Registering by Friday is most helpful.** 

When registering for the service, you may also **register children for either nursery** (ages 6 months through 3 years) **or children's worship** (age 4 and Kindergarten). Space is limited, but wait lists are available.

**Save the date**: the weekend of January 22nd there will be an open house at Rosemary Boyle's in Chelsea for CTKers to view the finished painting by Justin Augspurg that was commissioned by CTK as a gift for our former pastor Rick Downs. More details in the Reader.

The **Women's Evening Bible Study is moving from Thursdays to Wednesdays**. So, starting January 12th, they will be meeting every other Wednesday from 7 to 8:30p at the church. Having finished Luke in the fall, they will be studying Acts in the spring. For more information, contact Morgan Crago (mcrago@bu.edu).

# 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

Wed, 7p :: **Women's Evening Bible Study** :: Social Hall ctkcambridge.org/women

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