

CHRIST THE KING

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

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 16, 2022 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

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

Bob Sawyer

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. — *Psalms 63:1-5*

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.

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Words: Charles Wesley;
Music: Rowland H. Prichard

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, joy of heav'n to
2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it, in - to ev - 'ry
3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy
4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

earth come down; fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing,
troub - led breast! Let us all in thee in - her - it;
life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er,
let us be. Let us see thy great sal - va - tion

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all thy faith-ful mer-cies crown. Je-sus, thou art
 let us find that prom-ised rest. Take a-way our
 nev-er-more thy tem-ples leave. Thee we would be
 per-fect-ly re-stored in thee; changed from glo-ry

19

all com-pas-sion, pure, un-bound-ed love thou art;
 bent to sin-ning; Al-pha and O-me-ga be;
 al-ways bless-ing, serve thee as thy hosts a-bove,
 in-to glo-ry, till in heav'n we take our place,

25

vis-it us with thy sal-va-tion,
 end of faith, as its be-gin-ning,
 pray and praise thee with-out ceas-ing,
 till we cast our crowns be-fore thee,

29

en-ter ev-'ry trem-bling heart.
 set our hearts at li-ber-ty.
 glo-ry in thy per-fect love.
 lost in won-der, love, and praise.

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: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord!
O Lord, hear my voice!
Let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleas for mercy!
If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?
But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared. — *Psalm 130:1-4*

Prayer of Confession

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. — from the *Book of Common Worship*

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: 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: 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*

Praise the Savior, Now and Ever Words: V. Fortunatus, trans. by A. Nelson;
 Music: W. Moore, arr. by Benedict/Bradham

G D G G/B G

1. Praise the Sav-ior now and ev-er; praise him, all be-
 2. Man's work fail-eth, Christ's a-vail-eth; he is all our
 3. Sin's bond sev-ered, we're de-liv-ered; Christ has bruised the
 4. For his fa-vor, praise for-ev-er un-to God the

4 G/D D7 G G G D7 G

neath the skies; pros-trate ly-ing suf-fring, dy-ing
 righ-teous-ness; he, our Sav-ior, has for-ev-er
 ser-pent's head; death no lon-ger is the strong-er
 Fa-ther sing; praise the Sav-ior, praise him ev-er,

7 G G D G

on the cross, a sac-ri-fice. Vic-t'ry gain-ing
 set us free from dire dis-tress. Through his mer-it
 hell it-self is cap-tive led. Christ has ris-en
 Son of God, our Lord and King. Praise the Spir-it;

10 D G G/B G G/D D7 G

life ob-tain-ing now in glo-ry he doth rise.
 we in-her-it light and peace and hap-pi-ness.
 from death's pris-on; o'er the tomb he light has shed.
 through Christ's mer-it he doth us sal-va-tionbring.

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: Thomas Tallis

Praise God from whom all bless - ings 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.

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.

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.

Receiving of New Members

Katie Carr, David and Leslie Guyer, Madison Hablas

Recognizing Our Third Graders

Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

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.

Come, O Spirit

Words and Music: Isaac Wardell

1. Come, O Spir - it, com - fort true; help us by your
2. All our know - ledge, all our sight, lies in dark - ness
3. Come, our con - science to re - lieve from each sin re -
4. All our rich - es, all our crowns, cast we now be -

4
plead - ing. Come and ev' - ry heart re - new,
shroud - ed. All our lab - ors wrought in strife
mem - bered. Come, our Sav - ior's blood to plead;
fore thee. Scales re - mov - eth, chains un - bound,

7
breath of God pro - ceed - ing. You a - lone to
hath our judg - ment cloud - ed. Oh, con - sume our
na - ked we sur - ren - der. Sin hath left a
bold - ly we im - plore thee: as you knit us

10
God can win us, Spir - it now work good with - in us.
wrong de - si - res, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spi - re.
wound re - veal - ing: Spir - it, help us with your heal - ing.
once to - geth - er, fast - en us to you for - ev - er.

Scripture Reading

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Romans 8:1-11

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; 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.

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.

Sermon

Rev. Clyde Godwin

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Minister: The Lord be with you.

Congregation: And also with you.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

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.

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

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

May the Mind of Christ My Savior

Words: Kate B. Wilkinson;
Music: A. Cyril Barham-Gould

1. May the mind of Christ my Sav-ior live in me from day to day,
2. May the Word of God dwell rich-ly in my heart from hour to hour,
3. May the peace of God my Fa-ther rule my life in ev - ery thing,
4. May the love of Je - sus fill me as the wa - ters fill the sea;
5. May his beau - ty rest up - on me as I seek the lost to win,

5
by his love and pow'r con - trol - ling all I do and say.
so that all may see I tri - umph on - ly through his pow'r.
that I may be calm to com - fort sick and sor - row - ing.
him ex - alt - ing, self a - bas - ing, this is vic - to - ry.
and may they for - get the chan - nel, see - ing on - ly him.

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

All: Amen.

Benediction

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

Please join us outside for refreshments immediately following the service, as weather permits.

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. 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 NIV 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)

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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:

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. 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.

CTK family & friends, you are cordially invited to an open house to **view the completed commissioned painting by Justin Augspurg, a gift from CTK to our former pastor Rick Downs.** The open house will be Saturday, January 22nd from 2-4p and from 6:30-8:30p at 42 Nichols St, Apt 2 in Chelsea. Free street parking is available. Come enjoy a time of fellowship and refreshment (appetizers, desserts, wine, et cetera). If you are unable to attend but wish to see the painting, contact Justin at 781-922-6767.

PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE EVENTS:

For more details, see ctkcambridge.org/candidate, or email psc@ctkcambridge.org

Sun, January 23, 7p :: **Town Hall Meeting** :: Zoom

Join us at 6:30p for a prayer meeting before the Town Hall. Submit questions at ctkcambridge.org/candidate.

Sun, January 23 - Sat, January 29 :: **Invitation to a Week of Prayer and Fasting** :: Various
ctkcambridge.org/prayer-and-fasting

Tue, January 25 :: **Day of Prayer** :: Zoom

Join us for morning prayer (7-8:30a), noon-time prayer (12-12:30p), and evening prayer (6:30-7p) on Zoom.

Sat, January 29 - Sun, January 30 :: **Candidating Weekend** :: Various (more details TBA)

Sun, February 6, 7p :: **Congregational Meeting** :: Zoom

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

Sat, 2-4p, 6:30-8:30p :: **Open House Art Viewing** :: Rosemary Boyle's Home
ctkcambridge.org/gift-for-rick-and-t

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