

# CHRIST THE KING

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

SUNDAY, MAY 17, 2020 10:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## **Prelude**

*God is the voice beyond my own who calls me to a life beyond my own through a promise and a command beyond any knowledge or will of my own.*

— Merold Westphal, *Transcendence and Self-transcendence: On God and the Soul*

*For too long, we have called unbelievers to 'invite Jesus into your life.' Jesus doesn't want to be in your life. Your life's a wreck. Jesus calls you into his life.*

— Russell D. Moore, *'A Purpose-Driven Cosmos' in Christianity Today*

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.

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.

## Cornerstone

Words and Music: J. Myrin, R. Morgan,  
E. Lijero, E. Mote, and W. Bradbury

E A

1. My hope is built on noth-ing less, than Je-sus' blood and  
 2. When dark-ness veils his love-ly face, I rest on his un-  
 3. His oath, his cov-e-nant, his blood sup-port me in the  
 4. When he shall come with trum-pet sound, O may I then in

4 B E

right-eous-ness. I dare not trust the sweet-est frame,  
 chang-ing grace. In ev-ry high and storm-y gale,  
 whelm-ing flood; when all a-round my soul gives way,  
 him be found; dressed in his righ-teous-ness a-lone,

7 A B  $\overline{\text{tr. 3.}}$  2, 4.

but whol-ly trust in Je-sus' Name.  
 my an-chorholds within the veil.  
 he then is all my hope and stay.  
 faultless to stand be-fore the throne.

11 E A C#m B E/G# A C#m

Christ a-lone, Cor-ner-stone, Weak made strong in the Sav-ior's love,

15 B E A C#m B E

Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

## 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

## Call to Worship

God calls his people to assemble for worship; accordingly the church calls itself together.

# Rock of Ages

Words: Augustus M. Toplady;  
 Music: Thomas Hastings

A A D

1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in  
 2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill thy law's de-  
 3. Noth-ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to thy cross I  
 4. While I draw this fleet-ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in

4 D E F#m

thee; let the wa - ter and the blood from thy  
 mands; could my zeal no res - pite know, could my  
 cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress; help-less,  
 death, when I soar to worlds u - known, see thee

7 E F#m A

riv - en side which flowed, be of sin the dou - ble  
 tears for - ev - er flow, all for sin could not a -  
 look to thee for grace; foul, I to the Foun-tain  
 on thy judg - ment throne, Rock of A - ges, cleft for

10 A D A

cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.  
 tone; thou must save, and thou a - lone.  
 fly; wash me, Sa - vior, or I die.  
 me, let me hide my - self in thee.

## 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 and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen. — from the *Book of Common Prayer*

## 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: 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.**

## 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.

# O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Words: Trevor Francis;  
Music: Thomas Williams

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.

## 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.

### 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.

## 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.

### Pastoral Prayer

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

# In Christ Alone

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend

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

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

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

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

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

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

## 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

## Sermon

*Galatians 2:15-21*

Rev. Rick Downs



**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  
 1. righ-teous-ness; he, our Sav-ior, has for-ev-er  
 2. ser-pent's head; death no lon-ger is the strong-er  
 3. 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  
 1. set us free from dire dis-tress. Through his mer-it  
 2. hell it-self is cap-tive led. Christ has ris-en  
 3. 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.  
 1. we in-her-it it light and peace and hap-pi-ness.  
 2. from death's pris-on; o'er the tomb he light has shed.  
 3. through Christ's mer-it he doth us sal-va-tionbring.

**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](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).

## SUNDAY MORNINGS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Typically, Christ the King offers classes for adults, youth, and children every Sunday morning at 8:45a. During this hiatus from public gathering, we will be offering Adult Education Sundays at 8pm 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 NIV 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).

### 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 [bit.ly/CTKCambridgeOffering](http://bit.ly/CTKCambridgeOffering) for general offerings and [bit.ly/CTKCambridgeDeacons](http://bit.ly/CTKCambridgeDeacons) for Deacons' Fund giving. Questions? Email [giving@ctkboston.org](mailto:giving@ctkboston.org).

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 with notes from our pastors, church announcements, and community classifieds, visit [ctkcambridge.org/reader](http://ctkcambridge.org/reader).

For additional communication and socializing during this period of social distancing, join us on our Slack space: [ctk-cambridge.slack.com](http://ctk-cambridge.slack.com). Email [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org) to join.

# 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, no groups are meeting in person, but many are meeting virtually. Please reach out to the listed contact person for more information.

### MONDAYS

CAMBRIDGE :: NORTH CAMBRIDGE :: 6P  
Rick & T Downs ([cardadowns@gmail.com](mailto:cardadowns@gmail.com))

SOMERVILLE :: UNION SQ. :: 7P  
Tyler & Amanda Holley ([tylerbholley@gmail.com](mailto:tylerbholley@gmail.com))

### TUESDAYS

ALLSTON :: BRIGHTON :: BROOKLINE :: 7:30P  
James & Sarah Goodman ([ssgoodman617@gmail.com](mailto:ssgoodman617@gmail.com))

### WEDNESDAYS

SOMERVILLE :: UNION/SPRING HILL :: 6P  
Nathan & Leann Barczy ([nbarczy@gmail.com](mailto:nbarczy@gmail.com))

BOSTON :: NORTH END/BEACON HILL :: 7P  
Taylor & Audra Wallace ([wallacetaylor89@gmail.com](mailto:wallacetaylor89@gmail.com))

CAMBRIDGE :: CENTRAL SQ./RIVERSIDE :: 7:30P  
Mike & Shannon Poor ([pcpoor@hotmail.com](mailto:pcpoor@hotmail.com))

### THURSDAYS

CAMBRIDGE :: MIT/KENDALL SQ. :: 6P  
Ben Hoover & Jenn Marlow ([benhoover34@gmail.com](mailto:benhoover34@gmail.com))

### THURSDAYS (cont'd)

WATERTOWN :: 6P  
Matt & Cat Sherrill ([sherrillmatt@hotmail.com](mailto:sherrillmatt@hotmail.com))

SOMERVILLE :: PORTER/DAVIS SQ. :: 6:30P  
Michael & Anna Whitham ([michael.whitham@ruf.org](mailto:michael.whitham@ruf.org))

SOMERVILLE :: DAVIS/POWDERHOUSE SQ. :: 7P  
Sam & Steffi Beswick ([sam.beswick@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:sam.beswick@auckland.ac.nz))

MALDEN :: 7P  
Andy & Emily Stuntz ([astuntz@gmail.com](mailto:astuntz@gmail.com))

CAMBRIDGE :: CENTRAL/INMAN SQ. :: 7:30P  
Susanne van Veluw ([susannevanveluw@gmail.com](mailto:susannevanveluw@gmail.com))

### FRIDAYS

WATERTOWN :: 1st and 3rd Fridays :: 6:30P  
Sean & Nicole O'Hern ([scohern@gmail.com](mailto:scohern@gmail.com))

### SATURDAYS

LEXINGTON :: 5P  
Ricky & Lindsay Hardy ([linsrbins@gmail.com](mailto:linsrbins@gmail.com))  
\*Meets every other Saturday

## 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. Rick Downs ([rickdowns@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:rickdowns@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 on nearby campuses.

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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).

The Adult Education class meets Sundays at 8pm via Zoom and is entitled **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! We recommend that you purchase Kevin DeYoung's excellent guide to the Catechism, *The Good News We Almost Forgot*. Please visit our website for details and links.

Despite all the books available digitally these days, sometimes it's nice to hold one while you read. Perhaps, there is a book you want to purchase for your household, but want to look at it first. **If you are interested in accessing or having books delivered to you from the CTK Lending Library during isolation**, please email Lara Kastelein ([lara@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:lara@ctkcambridge.org)).

**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.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

Mon, 5/18/20, 8p :: **Women's Evening Bible Study** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)  
(Laura Martin, [laura.a.martin87@gmail.com](mailto:laura.a.martin87@gmail.com))

## WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

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

Sun, 8p :: **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))

Wed, 1:30p :: **Women's Morning Bible Study** :: Online  
(Kelly Sawyer, [bostonkelly@gmail.com](mailto:bostonkelly@gmail.com))

Fri, 4:30p :: **Theology Reading Group** :: Online  
(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, Fri, 6:30a :: **Morning Prayer**

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

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