

# CHRIST THE KING

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

TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
AUGUST 1, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## **Prelude**

*The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose  
I will not, I will not desert to His foes  
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake. — John Rippon, 'How Firm a Foundation'*

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**

Tyler Holley

**Leader:** The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes.

**Congregation:** This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.

**Leader:** Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

**Congregation:** Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord.

**Leader:** The Lord is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.

**All:** Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever! — *Psalms 118:20-29*

### **Invocation**

# Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

Words: Henry Lyte;  
Music: John Goss

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.

1.Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your  
2.Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fa - thers  
3.Fa - ther like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble  
4.Frail as sum - mer's flow'r we flour - ish; blows the wind and  
5.An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him

8  
trib - ute bring; ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like  
in dis - tress; praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to  
frame he knows; in his hands he gent - ly bears us, res - cues  
it is gone; but while mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en -  
face to face; sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers

15  
me, his praises should sing? Praise him! praise him, praise him,  
chide and swift to bless; praise him, praise him, praise him,  
us from all our foes; praise him, praise him, praise him,  
dures un - chang - ing on. Praise him, praise him, praise him,  
all in time and space, praise him, praise him, praise him,

21  
praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.  
praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.  
praise him, wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.  
praise him, praise the High E - ter - nal One.  
praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

The church is marked by its singing, from Israel's deliverance through the Psalms to our worship today.

### **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.

### **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:** Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, whose face is hidden from us by our sins, and whose mercy we forget in the blindness of our hearts: cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires, that with reverent and humble hearts we may draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Worship*

### **Declaration of Absolution**

Leader: 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. God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved. Whoever believes in him is not condemned. God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of 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: 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.

# The Love of Christ is Rich and Free

Words: William Gadsby;  
Music: Sandra McCracken



1.The love of Christ is rich and free; fixed on his own e - ter - nal -  
3.Love has re - deemed his sheep with blood, and love will bring them safe to



ly; nor earth, nor hell, can it re - move; long as he lives, his own he'll  
God; Love calls them all from death to life; and love will fin - ish all their



love. 2.His lov - ing heart en - gaged to be their ev - er -  
strife. 4.He loves through ev - ery chang - ing scene, nor aught from



last - ing Sur - e - ty; 'twas love that took their cause in hand, and love main  
him can Zi - on wean; not all the wan - derings of her heart can make his



tains it to the end. Love can - not from its post with - draw; nor  
love for her de - part.



death, nor hell, nor sin, nor law, can turn the Sure - ty's heart a - way; he'll



love his own to end - less day. 5.At death, be - yond the grave, he'll



love; in end less bliss, his own shall prove the blaz ing glo - ry of that



love which ne - ver could from them re - move, which ne - ver



could from them re - - - - move.

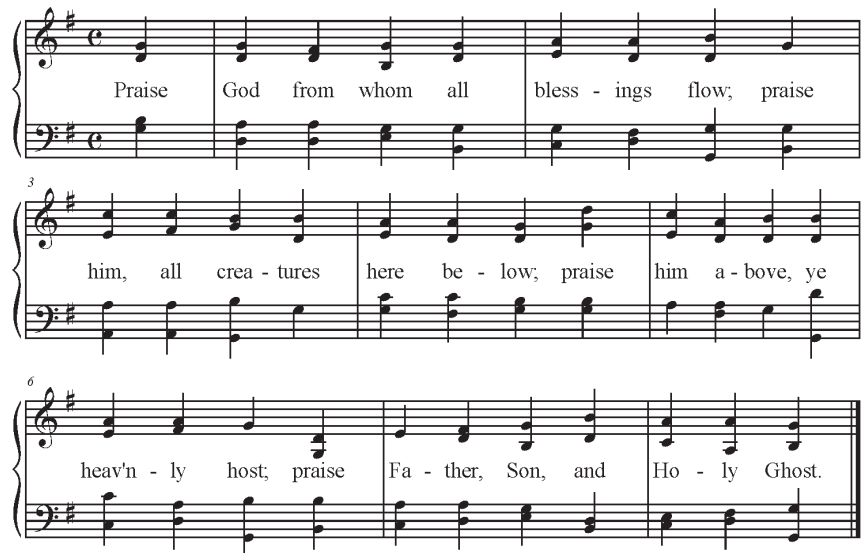
## Offertory

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: 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.

## Pastoral Prayer

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

## Baptism

*Lily Langton Wyse and Mia Madeline Wyse*

## Life Together

## 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.**

## Word for the Kids

# Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

## Jesus, Strong and Kind

Words and Music: C. Buchanan,  
M. Farren, J. Robinson, R. Thompson



1 Je - sus said that if I thirst, I should come to him.  
2 Je - sus said if I am weak, I should come to him.  
3 Je - sus said that if I fear, I should come to him.  
4 Je - sus said if I am lost, he will come to me.



No one else can sat - is - fy. I should come to him.  
No one else can be my strength. I should come to \_\_\_\_  
No one else can be my shield. I should come to \_\_\_\_  
And he showed me on that cross, he will come to \_\_\_\_



For the Lord is good and faith - ful. He will keep us day and  
him.  
him.  
me.



night. We can al-ways run to Je - sus, Je - sus, strong and kind.

## Scripture Reading

*Matthew 11:25-30*

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

Rev. Clyde Godwin

## 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

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. 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.*

## Lord's Supper

### *Invitation*

Minister: Who is the Redeemer?

**All: The only Redeemer is the Lord Jesus Christ, the eternal Son of God, in whom God became man and bore the penalty for sin himself.**

*- New City Catechism Q&A 20*

### *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*



# O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

Words: George Matheson;  
Music: Christopher Miner

(Capo IV)      B(G)      F#(D)      E(C)      B(G)

1. O Love that will not let me go, I  
2. O Light that foll - ow'st all my way, I  
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I  
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I

4      G#m(Em)      B(G)      E(C)      F#(D)      B(G)      F#(D)

rest my wear - y soul in thee; I give thee back the  
yield my flick 'ring torch to thee; my heart re - stores its  
can - not close my heart to thee; I trace the rain - bow  
dare not ask to fly from thee; I lay in dust life's

7      E(C)      B(G)      G#m(Em)      B(G)

life I owe, that in thine o - cean  
bor - rowed ray, that in thy sun - shine's  
through the rain, and feel the prom - ise  
glo - ry dead, and from the ground there

9      E(C)      F#(D)      C#m(Am)      G#m(Em)      F#(D)

depths its flow may rich - er, full - er be.  
blaze its day may bright - er, fair - er be.  
is not vain, that morn shall tear - less be.  
bloss - oms red life that shall end - less be.

## Benediction

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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](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). For more information on CTK's response to the coronavirus, visit [ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus](http://ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus).

## SUNDAYS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Typically, Christ the King offers classes for adults, youth, and children every Sunday morning. During the summer, we will be offering Adult Education, but our children's Sunday school gatherings are on hiatus until the Fall.

In our Adult Education class, we are studying the word *Hesed* (mercy) using Michael Card's book, *Inexpressible: Hesed and the Mystery of God's Lovingkindness*. Twice, Jesus quotes Hosea 6:6 in Matthew 9:13 and 12:7. Please note Jesus desires *hesed*. He wants us to receive mercy, love mercy, and give mercy. This study will take us deep into the heart of the Trinity. Jesus, our good shepherd, is pursuing us today with His goodness and *hesed*.

### 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).

# WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

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

**Men's Fellowship Groups:** Church Office ([office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org))

**Women's Ministry:** Martha Olson ([women@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:women@ctkcambridge.org))

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

**Vocational Fellowship Groups:** Church Office ([office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org))

**College Students** can join Reformed University Fellowships

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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:

**Save the date for a summer work day at the church building, Saturday August 14th** from 9am-noon! Come for 30 minutes or the whole 3 hours and help out with some gardening, cleaning, landscaping, and small projects around the building. (“Supervising”/socializing also allowed.) Let us know if you can make it or if you have any questions: [deacons@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:deacons@ctkcambridge.org).

**As we are reopening, the staff at CTK want to take this opportunity to thoughtfully rebuild our volunteer teams.** As such, we will not automatically assume that members will be serving in the roles they previously did. In the coming months, we will be discussing as a community how best to use our individual gifts to serve the church, and we ask you to prayerfully consider how you feel called and gifted. In the meantime, there are certain teams that are in need of volunteers. In particular, **we are in need of communion servers** each week. All adult members of Christ the King are encouraged to serve in this way, and most did prior to the pandemic. If you are willing to serve in this way, please email [laura@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:laura@ctkcambridge.org).

**CTK Cambridge is hiring a part-time (8 hours/wk) Youth Worker for the 2021-2022 academic year.** The Youth Worker will lead three youth meetings per month, build discipleship relationships with students, and train youth ministry volunteers. **Qualifications:** a love for kids in grades 6–12 and a passion to teach the gospel in age-appropriate ways. Prior teaching experience in a Christian setting is preferred. Applications can be sent to [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org). Please spread the word!

## THIS WEEK AT CTK:

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

Sun, 9a :: **Adult Education** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation](http://ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation)

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

Tue, 7:30p :: **Women’s Book Club** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

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