

CHRIST THE KING

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 13, 2023 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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

Leonard Layne

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

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.

Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Words: John Newton;
Music: *Darmstadt Gesangbuch*

1. Let us love and sing and won - der, let us praise the
 2. Let us love the Lord who bought us, pit - ied us when
 3. Let us sing, though fierce temp - ta - tions threat - en hard to
 4. Let us won - der; grace and jus - tice join and point to
 5. Let us praise, and join the cho - rus of the saints en -

Sav - ior's name! He has hushed the law's loud thun - der,
 en - e - mies, called us by his grace, and taught us,
 bear us down! For the Lord, our strong sal - va - tion,
 mer - cy's store; when through grace in Christ our trust is,
 throned on high; here they trust - ed him be - fore us,

he has quenched Mount Si - nai's flame; he has washed us
 gave us ears and gave us eyes; he has washed us
 holds in view the con - qu'ror's crown; he who washed us
 jus - tice smiles and asks no more; he who washed us
 now their prais - es fill the sky; you have washed us

with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God.
 with his blood, he pre - sents our souls to God.
 with his blood, soon will bring us home to God.
 with his blood, has se - cured our way to God.
 with your blood; you are wor - thy, Lamb of God.

Confession of Sin

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*

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Romans 8, verses 1 through 5:

There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

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.

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.

My Soul Finds Rest In God Alone

Words and Music: Stuart Townend
and Aaron Keyes, based on Psalm 62



1. My soul finds rest in God alone, my rock and my sal - va - tion, a
2. Find rest, my soul, in God alone a - mid the world's temp - ta - tions. When
3. I'll set my gaze on God alone and trust in him complete - ly, with



for tress strong a - gainst my foes, and I will not be shak - en. Though
e - vil seeks to take a hold, I'll cling to my sal - va - tion. Though
ev - ry day pour out my soul, and he will prove his mer - cy. Though



lips may bless and hearts may curse, and lies, like ar - rows, pierce me, I'll
rich - es come and rich - es go, don't set your heart up - on them. The
life is but a fleet - ing breath, a sigh too brief to meas - ure, my



fix my heart on righ - teous - ness; I'll look to him who hears
fields of hope in which I sow are har - vest - ed in heav -
King has crushed the curse of death, and I am his for - ev -



me. O praise him, hal le - lu - jah, my De - light and my Re - ward. Ever
en.
er.



last - ing, nev - er - fail - ing; my Re - deem - er, my God.

Baptisms and Communicants

Baptisms: Jason Porch, Ramona Cross

Communicants: August Augspurg, Ramona Cross, Lucy Thrasher

Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

Life Together

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.

Life Together

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

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.

Scripture Reading

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

Psalm 124, p517 in pew Bible

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

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

Rev. Travis Drake

It Is Well With My Soul

Words: Horatio G. Spafford;
Music: Philip Bliss

1. When peace like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my way, when
 2. Though Sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should come, let
 3. My sin - O the bliss of this glo - ri - ous thought! - my
 4. O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight, the

6
 sor - rows like sea bil - lows roll; what - ev - er my lot, thou hast
 this blest as - sur - ance con - trol; that Christ has re - gard - ed my
 sin, not in part, but the whole, is nailed to the cross and I
 clouds be rolled back as a scroll, the trump shall re - sound and the

11
 taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul." It is
 help - less es - tate, and has shed his own blood for my soul.
 bear it no more; praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 Lord shall de - scend, e - ven so it is well with my soul.

16
 well _____ with my soul; _____ it is well, it is well with my soul.
 It is well with my soul;

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

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.

Is He Worthy?

Words and Music: Ben Shive and Andrew Peterson

C C2sus C C2sus C

1. Do you feel the world is bro - ken? We do. Do you
 2. Is all cre - a - tion groan ing? It is. Is a
 3. Does the Fa - ther tru - ly love us? He does. Does the

3 Am A2sus Am Am A2sus Am

feel the sha - dows deep - en? We do. But do you
 new cre - a - tion com - ing? It is. Is the
 Spir - it move a - mong us? He does. And does

5 F F2 F F F2 F

know that all the dark won't stop the light from get - ting through? We
 glo - ry of the Lord to be the light with - in our midst? It
 Je - sus, our Mes si - ah hold for - ev - er those he loves? He

7 C C2sus C Em

do. Do you wish that you could see it all made
 is. Is it good that we re - mind our - selves of
 does. Does our God in - tend to dwell a - gain with

9 F F2 F C C C F Fmaj7

new? We do. Is any one wor - thy? Is
 this? It is.
 us? He does.

13 G Am G F2 3 F C/F

anyone whole? Is anyone a - ble to break the seal and open the scroll? The

16 F Fmaj7 G

Li - on of Ju - dah who conquered the grave, He is

To Coda 2nd Time

18 Am G F2 3 F C/F F
 Da vid's Root and the Lamb who died to ran som the slave. Is he

20 Am G Em F Am G 3 Em F
 wor - thy, is he wor - thy of all bless ing and hon or and glo - ry? Is he

24 Am G F C C C2sus C
 wor - thy of this? He is. *3.Does the*

♯ Coda
 28 F2 3 F F2 F/A G/B
 ransom the slave. From ev'ry people and tribe, ev'ry nation and tongue, he has

31 C Cmaj7/E F2 3 F F2
 made us a king-dom and priests to God to reign with the Son. Is he

33 Am G Em F Am G 3
 wor - thy, is he wor - thy of all bless ing and hon or and

36 Em F Am G Em F Am G
 glo - ry? Is he wor - thy, is he wor - thy? Is he wor - thy of

40 F2 F F2 C Am F
 this? He is. Is he wor - thy, is he

45 Gsus G C
 wor - - - - thy? He is.

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 so we can get to know you better. Find out more by contacting 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) 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) 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 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 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 for a full listing with contact information.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

Men's Bible Study: Andy Stuntz (astuntz@gmail.com)

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

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

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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:

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).

The Children's Ministry is still looking for a few good men and women to help teach classes starting this fall! If you like the idea of serving in class on a regular basis building relationships with kids at CTK, consider Sunday School which meets before the service from 9:15-10:15. Though if serving periodically suits you better, you may assist a few times a quarter in the Children's Worship classes during the service. As an added bonus to help meet our recruitment goal of 6 new volunteers for the fall, you'll receive a \$5 Starbucks gift card if you reach out to dana@ctkcambridge.org by August 20.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CTK:

For more details, see ctkcambridge.org/calendar, or email office@ctkcambridge.org

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

WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

For more details, see ctkcambridge.org/weekly-events, or email office@ctkcambridge.org

Tue, 7a :: **Morning Prayer** :: Online ctkcambridge.org/prayer

Fri, 6:15a :: **Men's Morning Bible Study** :: Online ctkcambridge.org/men

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

LINKS

GIVING:



READER:



VISITOR CARD:



Please contact the following staff members by calling our office at (617) 864-5464 or by email:

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