

CHRIST THE KING

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

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
AUGUST 29, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

*Approach, my soul, the mercy seat,
Where Jesus answers prayer;
There humbly fall before His feet,
For none can perish there.*

*Thy promise is my only plea,
With this I venture nigh;
Thou callest burdened souls to Thee
And such, O Lord, am I. — John Newton, Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat*

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: Seek the Lord while he may be found;

Congregation: Call upon him while he is near;

Leader: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

Congregation: Let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him,

All: And to our God, for he will abundantly pardon. — *Isaiah 55:6, 7*

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.

Cornerstone

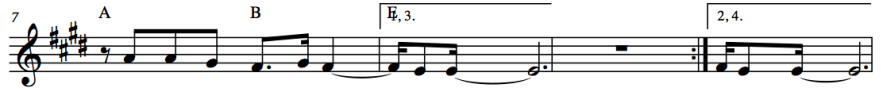
Words and Music: J. Myrin, R. Morgan, E. Lijero, E. Mote, and W. Bradbury



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



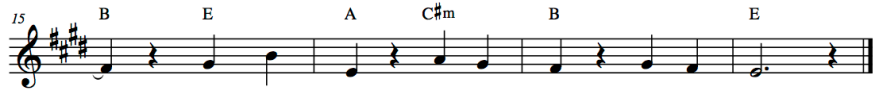
right - eous-ness. I dare not trust the sweet - est frame,
 chang - ing grace. In ev - ry high and storm - y gale,
 whelm - ing flood; when all a - round my soul gives way,
 him be found; dressed in his righ - teous - ness a - lone,



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



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



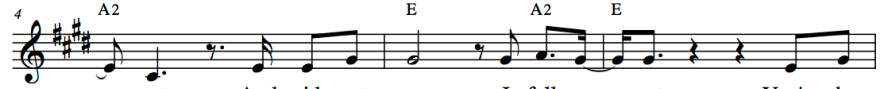
Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

Lord, I Need You

Words and Music: Reeves, Stanfill, Maher, Nockels, and Carson



1. Lord, I come, I con - fess. Bowing here, I find my -



- rest. And with- out you, I fall a - part. You're the



one that guides my heart. Lord, I need you, oh, I



need you. Ev - 'ry hour I need you. My one de fense, my

15 E/B A/C# E/B B | 1. E. A2 E
 right eous ness; Oh, God, how I need you. 2. Where sin runs

19 E A2 E B/D# C#m7 Bsus
 deep, your grace is more. Where grace is found is where you

22 A2 E A2 E
 are. And where you are, Lord, I am free. Hol-i-

25 Bsus B A2 | 2E
 ness is Christ in me. you. So

29 A E/G# Bsus C#m7 E/G#
 teach my song to rise to you when temp tation comes my

32 A2 A E/G# Bsus C#m7
 way. And when I can not stand, I'll fall on you.

35 A2 Bsus E
 Je - sus, you're my hope and stay.

Call to Confession

Leader: You do not delight in sacrifice, or I would bring it;
 you do not take pleasure in burnt offerings.
 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;
 a broken and contrite heart,
 O God, you will not despise. — *Psalms 51:16,17*

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*

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 our-
 selves 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.

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: 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.

And Can It Be

Words: Charles Wesley;
Music: Thomas Campbell



1. And can it be that I should gain an in - trest
2. He left his Fa - ther's throne a - bove, so free, so
3. Long my im - pris - oned spir - it lay fast bound in
4. No con dem - na - tion now; I dread; Je - sus, and

in the Sa - vior's blood? Died he for me, who caused his
in - fi - nite his grace, emp - tied him - self of all but
sin and na - ture's night; thine eye dif - fused a quick - ning
all in him, is mine! A - live in him, my liv - ing

6

12

pain? For me, who him to death pur - sued? A - maz - ing
love and bled for A - dam's help - less race. 'Tis mer - cy
ray; I woke, the dun - geon flamed with light; my chains fell
Head, and clothed in righ - teous - ness di - vine, bold I ap -

18

love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst
all, im - mense and free; for, O my God, it
off, my heart was free; I rose, my God, it
proach th'e - ter - nal throne, and claim the crown, through

23

die for me? A - maz - ing love! How can it
found out me. thee. own. A - maz-ing love. How
fol - lowed my own. A - maz-ing love. How
Christ, my own. A - maz-ing love. How

28

be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?
can it be that thou my God shouldst die for me?

Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Thomas Tallis

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

3

him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

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heav'n - ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

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.

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.

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

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.

Passing of the Peace

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Congregation: And also with you!

The Lord Is My Salvation

Words and Music: Keith and Kristyn Getty,
Nathan Nockels, and Jonas Myrin;
based on Psalm 27

1. The grace of God has reached for me,
 2. I will not fear when dark - ness falls,
 3. My hope is hid - den in the Lord,
 4. In times of wait - ing, times of need,

And pulled me from the rag - ing sea.
 His strength will help me scale these walls.
 He flow'rs each pro - mise of his Word.
 When I know loss, when I am weak.

And I am safe on this sol - id ground: The
 I'll see the dawn of the ris - ing sun: The
 When win - ter fades, I know spring will come: The
 I know his grace will re - new these days: The

Lord is my salva - tion. Who is like the Lord our God?
 Lord is my salva - - - - tion.
 Lord is my salva - tion.
 Lord is my salva - - - - tion.

12 F E^b B^b/D Gm F/A B^b B^b/D E^b B^b/D
 Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My debt is paid and the vic - tory won: The

16 C m7 F 1. B^b 2. B^b Gm E^b
 Lord is my salva - tion. tion. 5. And when I reach the fi - nal

20 F Gm E^b F
 day, He will not leave me in the grave.

23 E^b/G F/A B^b B^b/D E^b C m7 F B^b
 But I will rise, Christ will call me home: The Lord is my sal va - tion.

27 F E^b B^b/D F E^b B^b/D
 Who is like the Lord our God? Strong to save, faith - ful in love. My

31 Gm F/A B^b B^b/D E^b B^b/D C m7 F B^b
 debt is paid and the victory won; The Lord is my sal va - tion. Glory

35 E^b B^b/D F/A Gm E^b B^b/D F
 be to God, the Fa - ther, Glory be to God, the Son, Glory

39 E^b B^b/D D m Gm C m7 F B^b
 be to God, the Spi - rit; The Lord is our sal - va - tion.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 11:25-30, 1 John 1:5-2:2

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Word for the Kids

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.*

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

Alecia Augspurg, Elizabeth Cantrell, Ryan Grams, Leif Jentoft

Deacons' Fund Offering

Nothing But the Blood

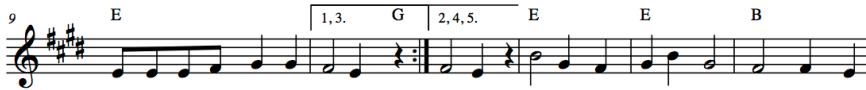
Words and Music: Robert Lowry



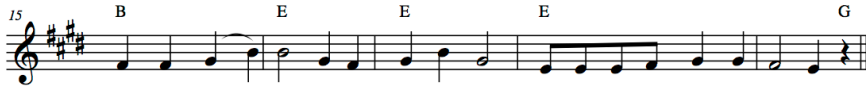
1. What can wash a - way my sin? Nothing but the blood of
2. For my cleansing this I see - Nothing but the blood of
3. Noth ing can for sin a - tone - Nothing but the blood of
4. This is all my hope and peace - Nothing but the blood of
5. Now by this I'll o - ver come - Nothing but the blood of



Je - sus; what can make me whole a - gain?
Je - sus; For my par - don this my plea -
Je - sus; Naught of good that I have done -
Je - sus; This is all my righ - teous - ness -
Je - sus; Now by this I'll reach my home -



Nothing but the blood of Je - sus. O precious is the flow that makes me
Nothing but the blood of Je sus.
Nothing but the blood of Je - sus.
Nothing but the blood of Je sus.
Nothing but the blood of Je sus.



white as snow; no oth er fount I know, nothing but the blood of Je - sus.

Benediction

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. 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

Nursery

- Nursery is open for children ages 6 months - 3 years. Children must be able to sit on their own independently.
- The room will be open to 8 registered participants, with a waitlist available as well. Please recognize that we have limited space available and if you sign up and are unable to make it, please contact us as soon as you can. If you have any questions or if you need to cancel your registration, please contact our nursery coordinator, Lara Kastelein (lara@ctkcambridge.org).

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 might complete one of the worship activities provided at ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids or available in the church foyer along with "Pew Pouches" containing writing and drawing supplies.

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.
- Discuss the service and sermon as a family using the worship guide (at 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. 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 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 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 Community Group: Dana Russell (dana@ctkcambridge.org)

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

College Students can join Reformed University Fellowships

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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

Registration Reminder: With COVID numbers on the rise, 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.

Nursery is now open for children ages 6 months - 3 years. Children must be able to sit on their own independently. The room will be open to 8 registered participants, with a waitlist available as well. Please recognize that we have limited space available and if you sign up and are unable to make it, please contact us (lara@ctkcambridge.org) as soon as you can to let us know. Please contact our nursery coordinator, Lara Kastelein (lara@ctkcambridge.org), if you have any questions.

Save the Date! **CTK's 25th Anniversary party will be Saturday, September 18th from 5-8p.** In addition, there are other ways to participate, including video and photo submissions. Please visit ctkcambridge.org/ctk-anniversary for more details.

It's time for a **church directory update**, and this time around, we're using a new online format. If you need any help logging in to update your directory profile, or if you need an invitation to join the directory, please email laura@ctkcambridge.org. A few notes on privacy:

- When signing up for the directory, **you can choose what information to share** (your photo, your phone, your email, and/or your address, or any combination thereof).
- **Only you can share your information** and/or your household's information in the directory. Church staff can invite you to join, but we cannot publicly post your information.
- There will be a link to the directory on the website, but **anyone who is not invited to the directory by staff will not have access to the directory** and will not be able to see it.

Discovering CTK is a class for those interested in learning more about our church and denomination (PCA) and what it means to become a member. The next class will be offered the first weekend in October. Registration will open soon, but in the meantime, please email laura@ctkcambridge.org with any questions.

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

Thu, 8:15p :: **Evening Prayer** :: Online
ctkcambridge.org/prayer

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For questions about the CTK Pastoral Search Committee, please visit ctkcambridge.org/psc or email psc@ctkcambridge.org

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