

CHRIST THE KING

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

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2020
10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Their injunctions are like this: 'Let no one educated, no one wise, no one sensible draw near. For these abilities are thought by us to be evils. But as for anyone ignorant, anyone stupid, anyone uneducated, anyone who is a child, let him come boldly.' By the fact that they themselves admit that these people are worthy of their God, they show that they want and are able to convince only the foolish, dishonourable and stupid, and only slaves, women, and children.

— Celsus, quoted by Origen in Contra Celsum

For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men. — 1 Corinthians 1:22-25

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

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

Holy, Holy, Holy

Words: Reginald Heber;
Music: John B. Dykes

The musical score is written for piano and voice. It features a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The score is divided into two systems. The first system contains four measures of music, with lyrics for four different voices. The second system contains eight measures of music, with lyrics for a single voice. Chord symbols are placed above the notes in the piano part.

Chord symbols: D, Bm, A, D, G, D, A, D, A, Bm, A, A, E, A-A7

Lyrics:
1. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
2. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
3. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
4. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
5 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glas - sy sea;
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

9 D Bm A D G D Bm Bm/A

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three
 Cheru - bim and ser - aphim fal - ling down be - fore thee, who wert and
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee, per - fect in
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three

14 G D Em A D

per - sons, bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!
 art and ev - er - more shall be,
 pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 per - sons bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!

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: Lord God, eternal and almighty Father: we acknowledge before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and in corruption, prone to do evil, unable of our own power to do good. Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments. But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and turn away from all our offenses. We condemn ourselves and our evil ways, with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress. Have compassion on us, most gracious God, Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt, also grant us daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit, and produce in us the fruits of holiness and of righteousness pleasing in your sight: through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. — from John Calvin, *Geneva Liturgy of 1543*

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: The Lord is merciful and gracious,

Congregation: slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,

Congregation: for his steadfast love endures forever.

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.

Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Words: William Kirkpatrick,
based on Psalm 146;
Music: Darwin Jordan

D D/C# B m7 D/A G D/F#



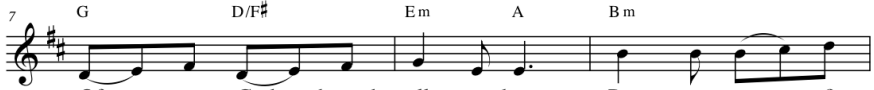
1. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -
2. Hap - py is the man that choos - es Is - rael's God to
3. Food he dai - ly gives the hun - gry, sets the mourn - ing
4. Hal - le - lu - jah, praise Je - ho - vah, O my soul, Je -

4 E m A D D/C# B m7 D/A



ho - vah praise; I will sing the glor - ious prais - es
be his aid; He is blest whose hope of bless - ing
pris - ner free; rais - es those bowed down with an - guish,
ho - vah praise; I will sing the glor - ious prais - es,

7 G D/F# E m A B m



Of my God through all my days. Put no con - fi -
on the Lord his God is stayed. Heav'n and earth the
makes the sight - less eyes to see. Well Je - ho - vah
of my God through all my days. O - ver all God

10 B m/A G D E A



dence in princ - es, nor for help on man de - pend;
Lord cre - a - ted, seas and all that they con - tain;
loves the right - eous, and the stran - ger he be - friends,
reigns for - ev - er, through all a - ges he is King;

13 D D/C# B m7 D/A G D/F#



He shall die, to dust re - turn - ing, and his pur - pos -
He de - liv - ers from op - press - ion, right - eous - ness he
helps the fa - ther - less and wid - ow, judg - ment on the
un - to him, thy God, O Zi - on, joy - ful hal - le -

16 A D



es shall end.
will main - - - tain.
wick - - - - ed sends.
lu - - - - jahs sing.

Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesänge*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here be
low; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! Praise him a bove, ye heav'nly
host, praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Baptism

Silas Isaiah Coleman

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.

A Word for the Kids

Rock of Ages

Words: Augustus M. Toplady;
Music: Thomas Hastings

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
thee; let the wa - ter and the blood from thy
mands; could my zeal - ter and the blood from thy
cling; na - ked, come to thee for dress; help-less,
death, when I soar to worlds u - known, see thee
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
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.

Sermon

1 Samuel 1:1-20

Rev. Nathan Barczi

Lord's Supper

Invitation

All: Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: [Christ] was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory. - 1 Timothy 3:16

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Hail to the Lord's Anointed

Words: James Montgomery;
Music: Sandra McCracken

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of seven staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. Chord symbols are placed above the notes. The lyrics are as follows:

Hail to the Lord's a-noin - ted, great Da - vid's great er Son!
Hail in the time ap-point - ed, his reign on earth be - gun!
His reign on earth be - gun!
op-pres-sion, to set the cap-tive free, to take a - way
for sigh-ing, their dark - ness turn to light, whose souls, con-demned
un-ces-ing and dai - ly vows as - cend; his king - dom still
trans-gres-sion and rule in e - qui - ty.
and dy - ing, are pre - cious in his sight.
in - creas-ing, a king - dom with-out end.
2.He comes with com - fort speed-y to those who suf - fer wrong,
4.Kings shall fall down be - fore him, and gold and in - cense bring;
6.The tide of time shall nev - er his cov - e - nant re - move;
to help the poor and need - y, and bid the weak be strong.
all na - tions shall a - dore him, his praise all peo - ple sing.
his name shall stand for - ev - er; his name to us is Love.

Benediction

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 this hiatus from public gathering, we will be offering Adult Education and Sunday school gatherings on Sunday mornings 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.
- 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 NIrV 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).

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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 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

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. Nathan Barczy (nathan@ctkcambridge.org)

Women's Ministry: Laura Martin (laura.a.martin87@gmail.com)

Youth Community Group: Dana Russell (dana@ctkcambridge.org)

Vocational Fellowship Groups: Rev. Nathan Barczy (nathan@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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Newcomers! Welcome to CTK! We know this is a strange time to be joining a new church and we want to encourage you to get connected insofar as you are able. We have weekly Community Groups, most of which meet online. We will also have a newcomers class called Discovering CTK later in the fall. For more information on these or other ways to get involved, please email office@ctkcambridge.org.

After two decades of faithful service at CTK, our beloved pastor Rick Downs stepped away as senior pastor at the end of August. **To learn more about this transition and what comes next for CTK**, please visit ctkcambridge.org/transition.

On Sunday, Sept 20, the women of the church are invited to a BYOLunch picnic after church in Sennott Park around noon. This is a great opportunity to meet someone new, connect with a leader of one of the upcoming Fall Bible studies, and enjoy this lovely September weather. If you're not able to attend but want to get involved, please reach out to Laura Martin at lauraamartin87@gmail.com. Whether you're new or have been at CTK for awhile, we would love to get to know you and help connect (and reconnect!) you with other women at the church.

The morning Women's Bible Study will be starting again on Wednesday, September 23, from 9-10:30a. We will begin a new study by Nancy Guthrie, "God does his best work with Empty." The study includes a personal bible study to complete independently, and we will meet remotely on Zoom to hear from Nancy and to discuss the passages and pray for one another. Please let Kelly Sawyer (Bostonkelly@gmail.com) know if you are interested, so you can receive the information and zoom login. Please come and join us!

The evening women's Bible study will resume on Monday, September 21 to start a new study of 1 Timothy and Titus by John Stott. The study will meet every-other Monday evening at 7:30PM on Zoom. Contact Katie Jentoft (katie.jentoft@gmail.com) or Emily Stuntz (emily.debaun@gmail.com) for more information on the study and getting the materials.

Matt Irvine is a CTK-supported missionary who will be in the Boston-area this month. He'll be available for an in-person, outdoor question and answer on Monday evening, September 28. For the benefit of those who would be unavailable on that Monday, he'll also be doing a Zoom meeting on Thursday, Sept 17. We hope you can make it to one of these events to learn more about the Irvines' work.

WEEKLY EVENTS 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

Fri, 5p :: **Theology Reading Group** :: Mystic River State Reservation

To contact staff or officers, please visit ctkcambridge.org/staff-officers