

# CHRIST THE KING

NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
OCTOBER 8, 2023 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## 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

Rev. Travis Drake

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. — *Psalm 63:1-5*

## 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.

## Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Words: Charles Wesley;  
Music: Rowland H. Prichard

1. Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, joy of heav'n to  
 2. Breathe, O breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it, in - to ev - 'ry  
 3. Come, Al - might - y to de - liv - er, let us all thy  
 4. Fin - ish, then, thy new cre - a - tion; pure and spot - less

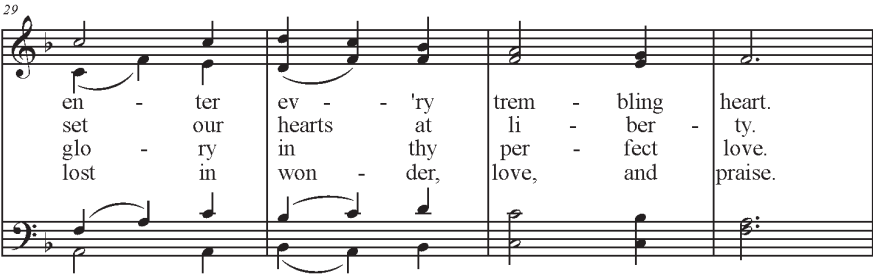
earth come down; fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing,  
 troub - led breast! Let us all in thee in - her - it;  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn and nev - er,  
 let us be. Let us see thy great sal - va - tion

all thy faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art  
 let us find that prom - ised rest. Take a - way our  
 nev - er - more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be  
 per - fect - ly re - stored in thee; changed from glo - ry

all com - pas - sion, pure, un - bound - ed love thou art;  
 bent to sin - ning; Al - pha and O - me - ga be;  
 al - ways bless - ing, serve thee as thy hosts a - bove,  
 in - to glo - ry, till in heav'n we take our place,

vis - it us with thy sal - va - - - tion,  
 end of faith, as its be - gin - ning,  
 pray and praise thee with - out ceas - ing,  
 till we cast our crowns be - fore thee,

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en - ter ev - - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 set our hearts at li - ber - ty.  
 glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 lost in won - der, love, and praise.

## Jesus, I Come

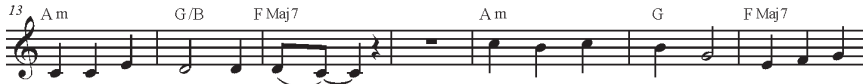
Words: William Sleeper;  
 Music: Greg Thompson



1. Out of my bon - dage, sor - row and night, Je - sus, I come;
2. Out of my shame - ful fail - ure and loss, Je - sus, I come;
3. Out of un - rest and ar - ro - gant pride, Je - sus, I come;
4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Je - sus, I come;



Je - sus, I come in - to thy free - dom, gladness, and light  
 Je - sus, I come in - to the glo - rious gain of thy cross,  
 Je - sus, I come. In - to thy bless - ed will to a - bide,  
 Je - sus, I come. In - to the joy and light of thy home,



Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of my sick - ness in - to thy  
 Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of earth's sor - rows in - to thy  
 Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of my - self to dwell in thy  
 Je - sus, I come to thee. Out of the depths of ru - in un -



health, out of my want - ing and in - to thy wealth, out of my  
 balm, out of life's storms and in - to thy calm, out of dis -  
 love, out of des - pair in - to raptures a - bove, up - ward for -  
 told, in - to the peace of thy shel - ter - ing fold, ev - er thy



sin and in - to thy - self, Je - sus, I come to thee.  
 tress in - to jub - i - lant psalm, Je - sus, I come to thee.  
 ev - er on wings like a dove, Je - sus, I come to thee.  
 glo - rious face to be - hold, Je - sus, I come to thee.

### **Confession of Faith**

We join the global and historic church in professing what we believe as Christians, to remind ourselves of the hope we have and the life that hope invites us to live.

### **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.

### **Confession of Faith**

**Leader:** Since we have been delivered from our misery by grace through Christ without any merit of our own, why then should we do good works?

**Congregation:** Because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, is also restoring us by his Spirit into his image, so that with our whole lives we may show that we are thankful to God for his benefits, so that he may be praised through us, so that we may be assured of our faith by its fruits, and so that by our godly living our neighbors may be won over to Christ.  
—*Heidelberg Catechism, Question 86*

### **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 Colossians 1, verses 13 and 19 through 20:

*God has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins... For in Christ all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.*

**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.

# 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

*Katy Carter, Brandon Huffman, Bob Sawyer, Kelly Sawyer*

## 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.

## Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;  
Music: Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*

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. A - men.

### Prayers of the People

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

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**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

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.

### Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

**Leader:** May the peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregation:** And also with you!

### Life Together

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

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### Scripture Reading

Ephesians 3:14-21, *page 977 in pew Bible*

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

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God.

### 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.

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

Words: Trevor Francis;  
Music: Thomas Williams

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

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

bound less, 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.

## **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.*

## **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*



# 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 dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!  
Please join us in the social hall for refreshments immediately following the service.*

# WELCOME

**Welcome visitors!** We're glad you could join us. 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 by contacting [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org).

## SUNDAYS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Kindergarten through High School Sunday school classes and Adult Education are currently offered Sunday mornings from 9:15a-10:15a. The Adult Education class meets in the social hall.

## 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 [children@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:children@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](mailto: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](http://biblegateway.com).
- Discuss the parts of the service as a family using the worship guide ([ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids](http://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](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

## 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](http://ctkcambridge.org/community-groups) for a full listing with contact information.

## FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

**Men's Bible Study:** Andy Stuntz ([astuntz@gmail.com](mailto:astuntz@gmail.com))

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**Youth Ministry:** Ariana Smartt ([ariana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:ariana@ctkcambridge.org))

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**Overseas Partner Liaison:** Morgan Crago ([missions@ctkcambridge.org](mailto: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](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:

*For any verbal announcements you may have missed, please visit [ctkcambridge.org/this-week](http://ctkcambridge.org/this-week).*

The next CTK men's breakfast is on **Saturday, October 14th from 8:30-10am** in the CTK Social Hall. Come enjoy some good food and good company. We'll be discussing God's providence in Proverbs 16 and what it means to "commit your work to the Lord". Email Andy at [astuntz@gmail.com](mailto:astuntz@gmail.com) if you have questions or want to help cook / set up.

Join us for the **Third Annual CTK Great Pumpkin Event** — church-wide pumpkin carving and decorating party on Saturday, October 28 from 2-5:30pm at Sennott Park in Cambridge (new location from last year). All are welcome for food, fun and prizes! Mini pumpkins for decorating will be provided but bring your own pumpkin to carve. Visit [ctkcambridge.org/pumpkin](http://ctkcambridge.org/pumpkin) for more information about directions & parking, what to bring, and judging categories. Please RSVP (not required but appreciated!). You may also sign-up to volunteer at the event.

CTK is currently hiring! We have two part-time positions open: Community Life Director (25h/wk) and Children's Ministry Ops Coordinator (7-10h/wk). Learn more at [ctkcambridge.org/jobs](http://ctkcambridge.org/jobs).

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT CTK:

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

Sat, Oct 14, 8:30a :: **Men's Breakfast** :: Social Hall  
[ctkcambridge.org/men](http://ctkcambridge.org/men)

Sun, Oct 15, 12p :: **College Application Strategy Seminar**  
For CTK High School Students, Basement Room 5

Sat, Oct 28, 2p :: **Great Pumpkin Event** :: Sennott Park  
[ctkcambridge.org/pumpkin](http://ctkcambridge.org/pumpkin)

## WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

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

Tue, 7p :: **Women's PM Bible Study** :: Social Hall  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

Thu, 9:30a :: **Women's AM Bible Study** :: Social Hall  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

Fri, 6:15a :: **Men's Morning Bible Study** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/men](http://ctkcambridge.org/men)

## LINKS

GIVING:



READER:



VISITOR CARD:



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