CHRIST THEKING

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

Sunday, October 25, 2020 10:30 Am Morning Worship

Prelude

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased.

All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth, and they shall sing of the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord. For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly, but the haughty he knows from afar. — from Psalm 138

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: I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord!"

Congregation: Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem,

Leader: Jerusalem—built as a city that is bound firmly together,

Congregation: to which the tribes go up, to give thanks to the name of the Lord.

Leader: There thrones for judgment were set, the thrones of the house of David.

Congregation: Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! Peace be within your walls and security within your towers!

All: For the sake of the house of the Lord our God, we will seek your good. — from *Psalm 122*

Invocation

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

Words: based on *Te Deum*, trans. by Clarence Walsworth; Music: *Katholisches Gesangbuch*

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bend the knee, while we sing this mys - ter - y.	

Call to Confession

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. -1 John 1:8-9

Prayer of Confession

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent, for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen. – from *the Book of Common Prayer*

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.



Offertory



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

Before the Throne of God Above

Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft; Music: Vikki Cook



Scripture Reading

2 Samuel 6

Reader: This is the word of the LORD. Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Nathan Barczi

Lord's Supper

Invitation

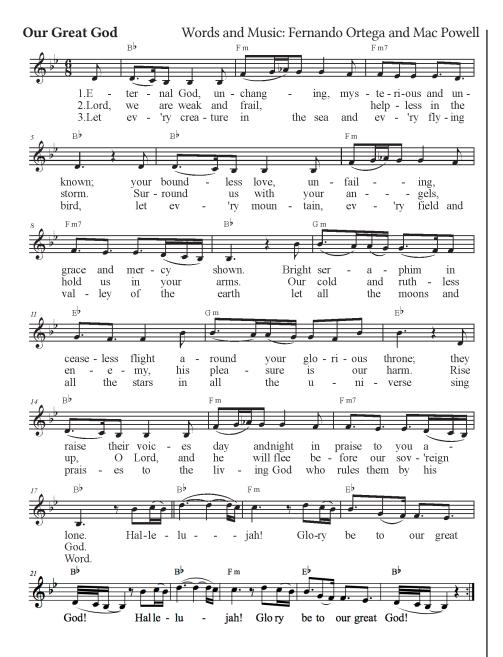
Minister: What do you believe?

All: Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, he was buried, and he was raised on the third day. - from 1 Corinthians 15:3b-4a

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Deacons' Fund Offering



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.

 \cdot 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.

 \cdot Discuss the service and serm on 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.

 \cdot 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 Barczi (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 Barczi (nathan@ctkcambridge.org)

College Students can join Reformed University Fellowships BU: nathan.dicks@ruf.org, Harvard: michael.whitham@ruf.org, MIT: solomon.kim@ruf.org.

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:

The congregation is invited to a **meeting on zoom this Sunday evening to discuss the process of selecting a pastoral search committee**. The elders are grateful for requests they have received for time at the beginning of the meeting to pray together as a church. The meeting will be held from 6:30 to 9:00pm, and will begin with a time of prayer. We encourage you to join for this important time when we will call upon the Lord together, and then discuss together this important step in the life of our church. More information on upcoming congregational meetings will follow.

Once upon a time, we had a monthly event called "Fourth Fridays," where people could gather at a local pub after work to socialize and meet new people. On Friday, October 30 at 7pm, Rick & Martha Olson invite you to a "Fifth Friday" event to be held outside on their roof deck in Cambridge. Because of social distancing constraints, attendance will need to be limited, so please RSVP to marthabwolson@gmail.com.

CALLING ALL FAMILIES AND YOUTH! We're putting together some opportunities for small groups of families and youth to get together in person. To keep group sizes manageable and safe, we're planning these as outside gatherings around kids of similar ages. For dates and specific details for each age group visit www.ctkcambridge.org/gatherings. Please note that those attending these gatherings are expected to wear masks throughout the event (not required for children under the age of 2) and maintain physical distancing.

On **Sunday**, **November 1 at noon the high school youth will be meeting up** (socially distanced) at Sennott Park near the church to talk about plans and ideas for youth ministry this year. We invite students in grades 9-12 to join us to give input and fellowship together. Parents are welcome to stay but not required. More details to come. Contact Lydia Carter with 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
- Wed, 9a :: Women's Morning Bible Study :: Online ctkcambridge.org/women
- Fri, 5p :: Theology Reading Group :: Mystic River State Reservation