

CHRIST THE KING

So we have come to know and to believe the love that God has for us. — 1 John 4:16a

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
OCTOBER 30, 2022 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

The particularity of this God is startling; the God of Israel aligns himself with specific mortals with individual names who live in identifiable places on the map. They have life stories unique to themselves, by no means always edifying. This God, unlike the gods of the religions, has chosen of his own sovereign free will to elect a discrete group of people simply because he wills to do so. The irreligiousness of this election is that it has nothing to do with any spiritual attainments by the chosen ones. The opposite is true — they are selected, we might say, in spite of themselves... This factor of undeserved election is in view whenever God is called 'the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.' — Fleming Rutledge, *The Crucifixion*

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: Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, you who lead Joseph like a flock.
You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth.

Congregation: Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine, that we may be saved!

Leader: You brought a vine out of Egypt... You cleared the ground for it;
it took deep root and filled the land.

Congregation: The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches.

All: Turn again, O God of hosts! Look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine! — from Psalm 80

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.

Stand Up and Bless the Lord

Words: James Montgomery;
Music: Charles Lockhart

1. Stand up, and bless the Lord, ye
 2. Though high a - bove all praise, a -
 3. O for the liv - ing flame from
 4. God is our strength and song, and
 5. Stand up, and bless the Lord, the

peo - ple of his choice; Stand up, and bless the
 bove all bles - sing high, who would not fear his
 his own al - tar brought, to touch our lips, our
 his sal - va - tion ours; then be his love in
 Lord your God a - dore; Stand up, and bless his

Lord, your God with heart and soul and voice.
 ho - ly name, and praise and mag - ni - fy?
 minds in - spire, and wing to heav'n our thought!
 Christ pro - claimed with all our ran - somed pow'rs.
 glo - rious name hence - forth for - ev - er - more.

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 Faith

Leader: What is God's providence?

Congregation: God's providence is His completely holy, wise, and powerful preserving and governing every creature and every action.

Leader: What did God's providence specifically do for man whom He created?

Congregation: After the creation God made a covenant with man to give him life, if he perfectly obeyed; God told him not to eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil or he would die.

— Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 11 & 12

Lord, Have Mercy

Words and Music: Matt Papa, Aaron Keyes,
James Tealy, and Matt Boswell

(CAPO III) Gm(Em) B \flat (G) E \flat (C) B \flat (G)

1. For what we have done and left un - done we
2. For what you have done, your life of love, you

3 Gm(Em) E \flat (C) F(D) B \flat (G) Gm(Em) B \flat (G)

fall on your count - less mer - cies. For sins that are known, and
per - fect - ly lived, we praise you. Though tempt - ed and tried, you

6 E \flat (C) B \flat (G) Gm(Em) E \flat (C) F(D) B \flat (G) $\text{\textcircled{X}}$

those un known, we call on your name so ho - ly. For
fixed your eyes; you fin - ished the work God gave you. And
For

9 F sus(Dsus) F(D) G sus(Esus) Gm(Em)

en - vy and pride, for clo - sing our eyes, for
there on the tree, a King a - mong thieves, you
hearts that are cold, for seiz - ing con - trol; for

11 E \flat (C) B \flat (G) F(D) F sus(Dsus) F(D)

scorn - ing our ver - y neigh bor. In thought, word and deed we've
bled for a world's be - tray - al. You loved to the end, our
scorn - ing our ver - y Ma - ker. In thought, word and deed we've

14 G sus(Esus) Gm(Em) E \flat (C) B \flat (G) F(D) B \flat (G)

failed you, our King; how deep - ly we need a Sav - ior.
mer - ci - ful friend, how pure and for - ev - er faith - ful.
failed you, our King; how deep - ly we need a Sav - ior.

17 E \flat (C) F(D) E \flat (C) F(D)

Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy,

19 B \flat (G) B \flat (G) F(D) E \flat (C) F(D) E \flat (C) F(D)

Lord have mer - cy on us. Lord have mer - cy, Christ have mer - cy,

23 Gm(Em) E \flat (C) F sus(Dsus) B \flat (G) *Fine* *D.S. al Fine 2nd time*

Lord have mer - cy on us. 2. For
3. For

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.

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. — *John 5:24*

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: 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.

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 -

4
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,

7
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

10
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.

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.

Offertory

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Thomas Tallis

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.

Prayers of the People

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

Prayers of the People

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.

Life Together

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 9:1-38; 10:28-29, p404 in pew Bible

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Travis Drake

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm,
Laura Bullock, Amanda Holley;
Music: William M. Runyan

D Gmaj7 Em Dsus D

1.Great is thy faith - ful - ness, O God our Fa - ther;
2.Though we bear bur - dens, we hope in thy prom - ise.
3.Thy love is stead - fast, un - ceas - ing, a - bun - dant.

5 G D/F# E Asus A

there is no shad - ow of turn - ing with thee; thou chang - est
Though in dis - tress, fix our eyes yet a - bove. Whe - ther in
Thou, Lord, art good, and our trust is in thee. Seek - ing thy

10 D/F# G D G E

not, thy com - pas - sions, they fail not; as thou hast
joy or in grief, we bear wit - ness to thy great
strength, we a - wait thy sal - va - tion, thou our in -

14 D/A A D A D B

been thou for - ev - er wilt be.
faith - ful - ness, mer cy, and love. Great is thy faith ful ness! Great is thy
her - i - tence e - ter - nal - ly.

20 Em A D/F# A/E E Asus A

faith ful ness! Morn ing by morn ing new mer cies I see; all I have

26 D/F# G D G E D/A A

need - ed thy hand hath pro - vid ed - Great is thy faith ful ness, Lord, un - to
D

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me!

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 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

His Mercy Is More

Words and Music: Matt Papa
and Matt Boswell

(CAPO 4) E(C) A(F) E(C)

1. What love could re - mem - ber no wrongs we have done? Om -
pa - tience would wait as we con - stant - ly roam? What
rich - es of kind - ness he lav - ished on us. His

3 B(G) C#m(Am) A(F) Bsus(Gsus)

nis - cient, all - know - ing, he counts not their sum. Thrown
Fa - ther so ten - der is cal - ling us home? He
blood was the pay - ment, his life was the cost. We

5 E(C) F#m7(Dm7) E(C) A(F) E(C)

in - to a sea with - out bot - tom or shore. Our
wel - comes the weak - est, the vil - est, the poor. Our
stood 'neath a debt we could nev - er af - ford. Our

8 A(F) E(C) Bsus(Gsus) 1. E(C) A(F) E(C) B(G) C#m(Am)

sins, they are man - y, his mer - cy is more.
sins, they are man - y, his mer - cy is
sins, they are man - y, his mer - cy is

13 A(F) B(G) 2. 3. E(C) Esus(Csus) E(C) C#m(Am) Bsus(Gsus) A(F) E(C)

2. What more. Praise the Lord, his mer cy is more.

18 Bsus(Fsus)B(F) A(F) E(C) B(G) C#m(Am)

Strong - er than dark - ness, new ev - 'ry morn. Our

21 A(F) E(C) B(G) E(C) A(F)E(C) B(G) C#m(Am) A(B)(G)

sins, they are many, his mer cy is more. 3. What

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.
Please dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!

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

Sunday school classes for Kindergarten through Grade 8 are currently offered Sunday mornings from 9:15a-10:15a. High School Sunday school as well as Adult Education will begin later in the Fall.

Our sermon series in Nehemiah has been calling us back to community. One way to answer that call could be in attending the **new Adult Education class, starting on October 16th** in the social hall at 9:15a. Leonard Layne will be teaching a 6-week class on *Life Together* by Dietrich Bonhoeffer, facilitating discussions on how God is at work and how we rebuild in our life together.

FOR FAMILIES

Nursery

- Open during the service for up to 8 registered participants ages 6 months (and sitting) to 3 years, with a waitlist available. The room is behind the sanctuary through the doors on the right.
- Please contact Lara Kastelein (lara@ctkcambridge.org) with questions or to cancel if registered and unable to make it.

Children's Worship

- Children age 4 thru 2nd grade are dismissed from the service prior to the sermon to classes that teach about worship suited to their age. Parents must escort kids to class in order to check them in.
- Pick up from Children's Worship comes after the sermon, during the song prior to the Lord's Supper. A parent can head to the back foyer outside of the social hall; pick up will take place at the door at the top of the stairwell. Please remember your security tag during pick up.
- 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 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 for a full listing with contact information.

FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

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

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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:

All **kids in 3rd-5th grade**, we will be having a ice cream party gathering today right after church in the fellowship hall. Please join us for some lunch snacks, ice cream bar, and games from 12:30-2pm. We hope you can join us, please email lara@ctkcambridge.org to let us know if you are coming or if you have any questions.

This August, we sent three of our high school seniors off to college. **As a congregation, we'll be sending cards to them as an encouragement during their first midterms.** Ariana will be putting the cards and pens in the social hall if anyone would like to sign them or leave a brief note letting them know we're thinking of and praying for them. This is the last Sunday before we'll be mailing the cards.

Calling All Singers! We are putting together an a cappella choir to sing several Advent selections during the service on Sunday, December 4. The first rehearsal will take place on Saturday morning, November 5, in the sanctuary. If you are interested in lending your voice, please email amanda@ctkcambridge.org.

Are you a singer or instrumentalist who loves Christmas music? CTK's music ministry is currently putting together selections for our **tenth annual Christmas Concert**, and we are looking for new participants! The event will take place the evening of Saturday, December 10. Please contact amanda@ctkcambridge.org if you'd like to learn more.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CTK:

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

Sun, Oct 30, 12:30p :: **3rd-5th Grade Ice Cream Party**
ctkcambridge.org/calendar

Sun, Nov 6, 2:30p :: **Middle School Rock Climbing**
ctkcambridge.org/youth

WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

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

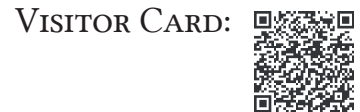
Tue, 7a :: **Morning Prayer** :: Online
ctkcambridge.org/prayer

Wed, 7p :: **Women's PM Bible Study** :: Social Hall
ctkcambridge.org/women

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

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

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