

# CHRIST THE KING

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
OCTOBER 31, 2021 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

---

## Prelude

*On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther posted ninety-five theses on the church door at Wittenberg—an action that helped to spark the Protestant Reformation. Protestants of various backgrounds commemorate this act on the Sunday closest to Reformation Day (October 31) each year. In fact, all believers are indebted to the Reformers' courageous stand for the purity of the gospel over against virtually all the civil and ecclesiastical forces of their day, armed only with an unshakable confidence in God and his Word. — Rev. Ron Man*

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: How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts! My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord; my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

Congregation: Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever singing your praise!

Leader: For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Congregation: For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

All: O Lord of hosts, blessed is the one who trusts in you.

— Psalm 84:1-4, 10-12

## 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.

# Invocation

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.

## A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Words and Music: Martin Luther

1.A might - y for - tress is our God, a bul - wark nev - er  
2.Did we in our own strength con - fide, our striv - ing would be  
3.And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -  
4.That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a -

5 fail - ing; our help er he a - mid the flood of mor - tal ills pre -  
los - ing; were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own  
do us, we will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to tri - umph  
bid eth; the Spir - it and the gifts are ours through him who with us

10 vail - - - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth  
choos - - - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ  
through us. The prince of dark - ness grim, we  
sid - - - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this

14 seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are great; and  
Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sa - ba - oth his name, from  
trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en - dure, for  
mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may kill; God's

18 armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - - - qual.  
age to age the same, and he must win the bat - - - tle.  
lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell him.  
truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - - - er.

# I Will Wait for You (Psalm 130)

Words and Music: J. Kauflin,  
M. Merker, K. Getty, S. Townend

F#m7 E/G# A A/C#

1.Out of the depths I cry to you; in dark-est plac-es I will  
2.Were you to count my sin-ful ways, how could I come be fore your

D F#m C#m/E A/C# D A/E E

call; in-cline your ear to me a - new, and hear my cry for mer-cy,  
throne? Yet full for -give-ness meets my gaze; I stand re-deemed by grace a -

A/C# D

1.A Lord. 2.Were lone. I will wait for you, I will wait for you; on your

E F#m A/C# D

word I will re - ly. I will wait for you, sure-ly wait for you, till my

E A.2. F#m7 E/G#

soul is sat-is - fied. 3.So put your hope in God a -  
4.Now he has come to make a

A A/C# D F#m C#m/E A/C#

lone; take cour-age in his power to save, com pletely and for-ev -er  
way, and God him-self has paid the price, that all who trust in him to -

D A/E E A

won by Christ's e - merg-ing from the grave. I will fied. I will  
day find heal-ing in his sac - ri - fice.

A/C# D E

wait for you, I will wait for you, through the storm and through the

F#m A/C# D E A

night. I will wait for you, surely wait for you, for your love is my de - light.

### **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 ourselves 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.

### **Call to Confession**

Leader: For thus said the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel, "In repentance and rest you shall be saved; in quietness and in trust shall be your strength."  
— *Isaiah 30:15*

### **Prayer of Confession**

All: Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old. Remember not the sins of our youth or our transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember us, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord! Good and upright is the Lord; therefore he instructs sinners in the way. For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon our guilt, for it is great. Turn to us and be gracious to us, for we are lonely and afflicted. The troubles of our hearts are enlarged; bring us out of our distresses. Consider our affliction and our trouble, and forgive all our sins. Amen. — *Psalms 25:6-8, 11, 16-18*

### **Declaration of Absolution**

Leader: The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit. God does not despise a broken and a contrite heart. Jesus said: "Whoever comes to me I will never drive away." The Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. 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.

### **Creedal Confession**

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,

And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;  
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty;  
from there he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;  
the holy catholic church; the communion of saints;  
the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body;  
and the life everlasting. Amen. — *Apostles' Creed*

# Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend



1. Holy Spirit, liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new life in - to my will - ing  
2. Holy Spirit, come a - bide with - in, may your joy be seen in all I  
3. Holy Spirit, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing life to all that God has



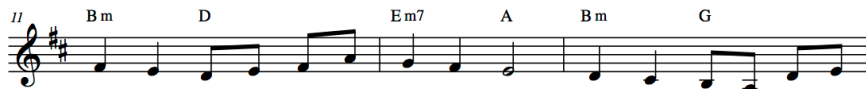
soul. Let the pres - ence of the ris - en Lord come re -  
do. Love e - nough to cov - er ev - 'ry sin, in each  
made, show your pow - er once a - gain on earth, cause your



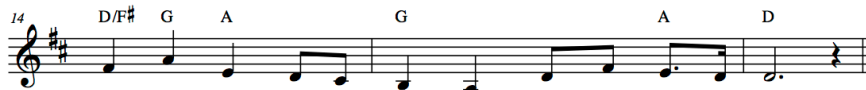
new my heart and make me whole.  
thought and deed and at - ti - tude.  
church to hun - ger for your ways.



Cause your word to come a - live in me;  
Kind - ness to the great - est and the least,  
Let the fra - grance of our pray'rs a - rise;



give me faith for what I can - not see, give me pas - sion for your  
gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace. Turn my striv - ing in - to  
lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice, that in u - ni - ty the



pu - ri - ty; Ho - ly Spir - it breathe new life in me.  
works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in all I do.  
face of Christ may be clear for all the world to see.

## Offertory

## 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: *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 above, ye heav'nly  
host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; al-le-lu-ia, al-le-  
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

### Life Together

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

### Prayers of the People

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

### Life Together

### 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.**

### Word for the Kids

### Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

### 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.

Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregation: And also with you!**

# O Jesus Christ, Grow Thou In Me

Words: Johann Lavater;

Music: Kathryn Baldanza



1. O Je - sus Christ, grow thou in me, and all things else re-  
2. In thy bright beams which on me fall, fade ev - 'ry e - vil  
3. Fill me with glad - ness from a - bove, hold me by strength di-



cede! My heart be dai - ly near - er thee, from sin be dai ly  
thought; that I am no - thing, thou art all, I would be dai ly  
vine; Lord, let the glow of thy great love through my whole being



freed. Each day let thy sup - por - ting might my  
taught. More of thy glo - ry let me see. Thou  
shine. Make this poor self grow less and less, be



weak - ness still em - brace; my dark - ness van - ish  
ho - ly, wise, and true! I would thy liv - ing  
thou my life and aim; O, make me dai - ly



in thy light, thy life my death ef - face.  
im - age be, in joy and sor - row too.  
through thy grace, more meet to bear thy name.

## Scripture Reading

*Matthew 4:23-5:12*

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.

## 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; those seated in the outer pews can then come forward, starting from the back rows; finally, those in the center pews can come forward, starting from the back row.*

*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*

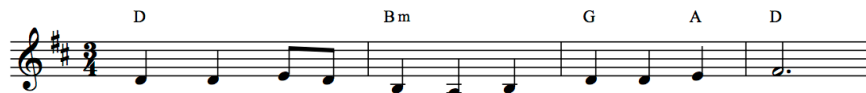
## Deacons' Fund Offering

*Laura Bullock, Tyler Holley, Rachel Thrasher, Ellen Wu*



# Be Thou My Vision

Words and Music: Ancient Irish Hymn



1. Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
2. Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;  
3. Be thou my breast plate, my sword for the fight.  
4. Rich - es I heed not, nor man's emp - ty praise,  
5. High king of hea - ven, my vic - to - ry won,



naught be all else to me, save that thou art.  
I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
Be thou my dig - ni - ty, be thou my might.  
Thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
may I reach hea - ven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!



Thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
Thou my great Fa - ther, and I thy true son;  
Thou my soul's shel - ter, thou my high tow'r.  
Thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,



wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pre - sence my light.  
Thou in me dwell - ing, and I with thee one.  
Raise thou me hea - venward, O pow'r of my pow'r.  
high king of hea - ven, my trea - sure thou art.  
still be my vi - sion, O ru - ler of all.

## 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](http://ctkcambridge.org/visit) so we can get to know you better. Find out more about us by contacting [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org). For more information on CTK's response to the coronavirus, visit [ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus](http://ctkcambridge.org/coronavirus).

## SUNDAYS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Typically, Christ the King offers classes for adults, youth, and children every Sunday morning. Currently, we are offering Adult Education on Zoom, but our children's Sunday school gatherings are on hiatus.

In the Adult education class, we have been pursuing the themes of Micah 6:8 - act justly, love mercy, and walk humbly. During the summer, we went through Michael Card's wonderful study on Heseid (mercy) and Morgan Crago led us through an insightful study of racism in the Presbyterian Church. In our current class, we are using Tim Keller's book *Generous Justice* to pursue what it means to act justly.

## 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](mailto:lara@ctkcambridge.org)) with questions or to cancel if registered and unable to make it.

### Children's Worship

- Children 4–5 years are dismissed from the service prior to the sermon to a class that teaches about worship suited to their age. Parents must escort kids to class in order to check them in and pick them up after the service.
- Class capacity is 10 registered students, with a waitlist available. Parents may sign up children for class when registering for the service.
- Please contact Dana Russell ([dana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:dana@ctkcambridge.org)) with any questions or to cancel if registered and unable to make it.

### 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 may complete one of the worship activities available at [ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids](http://ctkcambridge.org/worship-kids) or in the church foyer along with 'Pew Pouches' containing writing and drawing supplies.

### 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

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

## FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

**Men's Fellowship Groups:** Church Office ([office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org))

**Women's Ministry:** Martha Olson ([women@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:women@ctkcambridge.org))

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

**Vocational Fellowship Groups:** Church Office ([office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org))

**College Students** can join Reformed University Fellowships

BU: [nathan.dicks@ruf.org](mailto:nathan.dicks@ruf.org),

Harvard: [michael.whitham@ruf.org](mailto:michael.whitham@ruf.org),

MIT: [solomon.kim@ruf.org](mailto:solomon.kim@ruf.org).

**Meals Ministry:** Erin Ward ([meals@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:meals@ctkcambridge.org))

**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:

**Registration Reminder:** 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. **Registering by Friday is most helpful.**

When registering for the service, you may also **register children for either nursery** (ages 6 months through 3 years) **or children's worship** (age 4 and Kindergarten). Space is limited, but wait lists are available.

If you're new to the church or looking for a way to plug in, **Community Groups are integral to our life together here at CTK.** To find a group near you or one that meets at a convenient time for you, you can either check our website or email our admin ([laura@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:laura@ctkcambridge.org)) for help connecting.

## THIS WEEK AT CTK:

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

Sun, 9a :: **Adult Education** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation](http://ctkcambridge.org/adulteducation)

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

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

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

---

***Please contact the following staff members by calling our office at (617) 354-8341 or by email:***

Interim Pastor	Rev. Clyde Godwin	<a href="mailto:cgodwin@ctkcambridge.org">cgodwin@ctkcambridge.org</a>
Church Administrator	Laura Bullock	<a href="mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org">office@ctkcambridge.org</a>
Music Director	Amanda Holley	<a href="mailto:amanda@ctkcambridge.org">amanda@ctkcambridge.org</a>
Director of Children's Ministry	Dana Russell	<a href="mailto:dana@ctkcambridge.org">dana@ctkcambridge.org</a>
Nursery Coordinator	Lara Kastelein	<a href="mailto:lara@ctkcambridge.org">lara@ctkcambridge.org</a>
Youth Intern	Ariana Smartt	<a href="mailto:ariana@ctkcambridge.org">ariana@ctkcambridge.org</a>

For questions about the CTK Pastoral Search Committee, please visit [ctkcambridge.org/psc](http://ctkcambridge.org/psc) or email [psc@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:psc@ctkcambridge.org)

***99 Prospect Street, Cambridge, MA - [www.ctkcambridge.org](http://www.ctkcambridge.org)***