CHRIST THEKING

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

Sunday, November 1, 2020 10:30 Am Morning Worship

Prelude

As you come to [Christ], a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in Scripture:

'Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.' – from 1 Peter 2

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: We will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord forever;

Congregation: With our mouths we will make known your faithfulness to all generations.

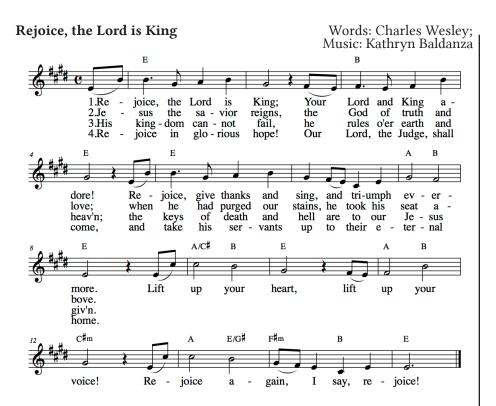
Leader: Your steadfast love will be built up forever;

Congregation: In the heavens you will establish your faithfulness.

Leader: You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: 'I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations."

Congregation: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord, your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones! — from *Psalm 89:1-5*

Invocation



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: Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

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.

Leader: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: the Maker of heaven and earth.

Leader: O Lord, open our lips,

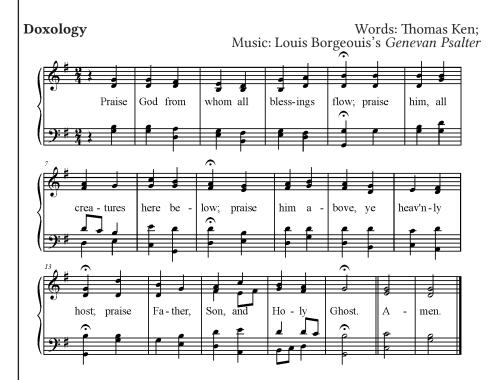
Congregation: and our mouths will declare your praise.

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.



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

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Script	ure Readi	ing					2 Samuel 7

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

Sermon

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

Jesus Shall Reign

Words: Isaac Watts; Music: John Hatton



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 members of Christ the King Presbyterian Church are called to a **Congregational Meeting on Sunday, November 1, 2020 from 7:00 to 8:00 PM**, preceded by a **prayer meeting that will begin at 6:30 PM**. This meeting will be held virtually.

Business to be conducted at the November 1 meeting: 1. Approve a process for forming a pastoral search committee*

* To find out more about the process for forming a pastoral search committee and to prepare for the meeting, please visit https://www.ctkboston.org/news/2020/10/25/call-to-a-congregational-meeting-on-november-1-2020.

TODAY 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.

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.

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

Mon, 7:30p :: Women's Evening Bible Study :: Online ctkcambridge.org/women

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