

CHRIST THE KING

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

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2020
10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

*If only there were evil people somewhere insidiously committing evil deeds, and it were necessary only to separate them from the rest of us and destroy them. But the line dividing good and evil cuts through the heart of every human being. And who is willing to destroy a piece of his own heart? — Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn, *The Gulag Archipelago**

Participation in Christ means abandoning our pretenses, openly acknowledging our identities as sinners in bondage, and in the same moment realizing with a stab of piercing joy that the victory is already ours in Christ, won by him who died to save us.

— 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: 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.

— *Psalms 84:1-4, 10-12*

Invocation

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 -

Sav - ior's name! He has hushed the law's loud thun - der,
en - e - m - ies, 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,

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

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.

Call to Confession

Leader: The proof of God's amazing love is this: While we were sinners, Christ died for us. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Trusting in God's faithfulness and compassion, let us confess our sin before God and one another. — based on *Romans 5:8; Hebrews 4:16*

Prayer of Confession

All: Holy and merciful God, in your presence we confess our sinfulness, our shortcomings, and our offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy on us, O Lord, for we are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you. Forgive our sins, and help us to live in your light and walk in your ways, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Declaration of Absolution

Leader: There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit. 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.

My Worth Is Not In What I Own

Words and Music: Graham Kendrick
and Keith and Kristyn Getty

D A/D D G/D

1. My worth is not in what I own; not
 2. My worth is not in skill or name; in
 3. As sum - mer flow'rs we fade and fame,
 4. I will not boast in wealth or might, or
 5. Two won - ders here that I con - fess: my

3 D G D G/D D A /A#

in the strength of flesh and bone. But in the cost - ly wounds of
 win or lose, in pride or shame. But in the blood of Christ that
 youth and beau - ty hur - ry by. But life e - ter - nal calls to
 hu - man wis - dom's fleet - ing light. But I will boast in know - ing
 worth and my un - worth - i - ness. My va - lue fixed - my ran - som

6 B m G D 1,3. D 2,4.

love at the cross. 2. My
 flowed at the cross.
 us at the cross. 4. I
 Christ at the cross.
 paid at the cross.

11 G A B m G D/F# A

I re joice in my Re - deem - er - Great est trea - sure, Well spring of my soul.

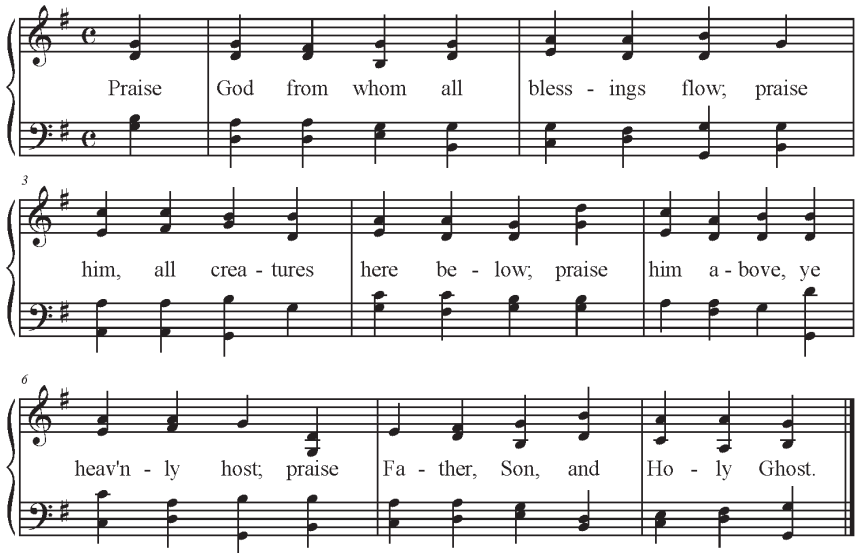
15 G A B m D/F# G A D

I will trust in him, no oth - er; my soul is sa - tis - fied in him a - lone.

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.

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

God, Be Merciful to Me

Words: Richard Redhead;
Music: Christopher Miner

(Capo II)

A(G) E(D) F#m(Em) D(C) A(G) E(D)

1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me, on thy grace I
2. My trans - gres - sions I con - fess, grief and guilt my
3. I am e - vil, bom in sin; thou de - sir - est
4. Bro - ken, hum - bled to the dust by thy wrath and
5. Gra - cious God, my heart re - new, make my spir - it
6. Sin - ners then shall learn from me, and re - tum O

F#m(Em) D(C) A(G) E(D) F#m(Em) D(C)

rest my plea; plen - teous in com - pas - sion thou,
soul op - press; I have sinned a - gainst thy grace
truth with - in. Thou a - lone my Sa - vior art,
judg - ment just, let my con - trite heart re - joice
right and true. Cast me not a - way from thee,
God to thee. Sa - vior, all my guilt re - move,

A(G) E(D) F#m(Em) D(C) E(D)

blot out my trans - gres - sions now; wash me, make me
and provoked thee to thy face; I con - fess thy
teach thy wis - dom to my heart; Make me pure, thy
and in glad - ness hear thy voice; from my sins O
let thy Spir - it dwell in me; thy sal - va - tion's
and my tongue shall sing thy love. Touch my si - lent

A(G)E(D) F#m(Em) D(C) E(D) A(G)

pure with - in, cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
judg - ment just, speech less, I thy mer - cy trust.
grace be - stow, wash me whi - ter than the snow.
hide thy face, blot them out in bound - less grace.
joy im - part, stead - fast make my wil - ling heart.
lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall praise ac - cord.

Scripture Reading

Psalms 51

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: There is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. - from 1 Corinthians 8:6

Words of Institution

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Words: Nikolaus von Zinzendorf;
Translated by John Wesley;
Music: William Gardiner

1. Je - sus, thy blood and righ - teous - ness my beau - ty
2. Bold shall I stand in thy great day; for who aught
3. Lord, I be - lieve thy pre - cious blood, which, at the
4. Je - sus, be end - less praise to thee, whose bound - less

6
are, my glo - rious dress; 'midst flam - ing worlds, in
to my charge shall lay? Ful - ly ab - solved through
mer - cy seat of God, for - ev - er doth for
mer - cy hath for me - for me a full a -

11
these ar - rayed, with joy shall I lift up my head.
these I am from sin and fear, from guilt and shame.
sin - ners plead, for me, e'en for my soul, was shed.
tone - ment made, an ev - er - last - ing ran - som paid.

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.
- 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.
- Discuss the service and sermon 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.
- 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 Barczy (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 Barczy (nathan@ctkcambridge.org)

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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 22, 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 22 meeting:

1. Elect a pastoral search committee for the purpose of recommending a pastoral candidate for Cambridge
2. Elect church officers – the slate of candidates to be elected will be shared upon approval by the Session
3. Share information with the church

Nominations are now being accepted for the Pastoral Search Committee. Please email your nominee and if they agree to the nomination, please send their name to transition@ctkcambridge.org. Nominations are due by November 15th. For more information and to learn about the roles and responsibilities of the committee, please visit ctkcambridge.org/transition.

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.

Are you a musician interested in sharing your gifts during this unique season? Here are a few ways you can help out!

- Join the rotation of musicians helping to lead music on Sunday mornings.
- Participate in CTK's annual Christmas Concert, this year taking place online on Saturday, December 12.
- Lend your voice to the Online Advent A Cappella Choir, which will provide special music for a Sunday service in December.

To learn more about any of these opportunities, please email amanda@ctkcambridge.org.

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

To contact staff or officers, please visit ctkcambridge.org/staff-officers