

CHRIST THE KING

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

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 13, 2022 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Just as through His suffering and death Christ was exalted in His resurrection and ascension to be head of the church, so now the church has to be formed into the body of Christ. The work of the Mediator is one grand, mighty, divine work that began in eternity and will only be completed in eternity. – Herman Bavinck, Reformed Dogmatics

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

Nathan Carter

Leader: Praise the LORD! For it is good to sing praises to our God; for it is pleasant, and a song of praise is fitting.

Congregation: The LORD builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel.

Leader: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds.

Congregation: He determines the number of the stars; he gives to all of them their names.

All: Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure. – Psalm 147:1-5

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.

Come, People of the Risen King

Words and Music: Stuart Townend,
Keith and Kristyn Getty

1. Come peo - ple of the Ris - en King, who de -
 2. Come those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those
 3. Come young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and

light to bring him praise; Come all, and tune your
 weep - ing through the night; Come those who tell of
 wom - en of the faith; Come those with full or

hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the
 bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For his
 emp - ty hands - find the rich - es of his grace. O - ver

shift - ing shad - ows of the earth, we will lift our eyes to
 per - fect love will nev - er change, and his mer - cies nev - er
 all the world, his peo - ple sing - shore to shore we hear them

him, where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach, to
 cease, but fol - low us through all our days, with the
 call the truth that cries in ev - 'ry age, "Our

gath - er chil - dren in. Re - joi - ce, re - joi - ce! Let ev - 'ry tongue re -
 cer - tain hope of peace.
 God is all in all."

joice! One heart, one voice, O church of Christ, re - joi - ce!

Come, O Spirit

Words and Music: Isaac Wardell



1. Come, O Spir - it, com - fort true; help us by your
 2. All our know - ledge, all our sight, lies in dark - ness
 3. Come, our con - science to re - lieve from each sin re -
 4. All our rich - es, all our crowns, cast we now be -



plead - ing. Come and ev' - ry heart re - new,
 shroud - ed. All our lab - ors wrought in strife
 mem - bered. Come, our Sav - ior's blood to plead;
 fore thee. Scales re - mov - eth, chains un - bound,



breath of God pro - ceed - ing. You a - lone to
 hath our judg - ment cloud - ed. Oh, con - sume our
 na - ked we sur - ren - der. Sin hath left a
 bold - ly we im - plore thee: as you knit us



God can win us, Spir - it now work good with - in us.
 wrong de - si - res, Ho - ly Ghost, our souls in - spi - re.
 wound re - veal - ing; Spir - it, help us with your heal - ing.
 once to - geth - er, fast - en us to you for - ev - er.

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 Sin

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.

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.

Confession of Faith

Leader: By what sin did our first parents fall from their original condition?

Congregation: Our first parents' sin was eating the forbidden fruit.

Leader: Did all mankind fall in Adam's first disobedience?

Congregation: Since the covenant was made not only for Adam but also for his natural descendants, all mankind sinned in him and fell with him in his first disobedience.

– *Westminster Shorter Catechism Q. 15 & 16*

Confession of Sin

All: O Lord, we acknowledge the broken, sinful nature we inherited from our first parents. Because of it, we do not reach for you. Like Adam & Eve, we reach for something else – afraid you are holding something back. Like them, we lie, we blame each other, we try to hide from you and make excuses for what we've done or left undone.

Forgive us for the ways we are unwilling to take responsibility for our sins. Forgive us for all the ways we still act like Adam and Eve even when, by faith, we have been made alive in the new Adam, Jesus Christ. Through your powerful Holy Spirit, put to death the remnants of sin in us, that we may more fully become who you created us to be. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

– *Hebrews 4:14-16*

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.

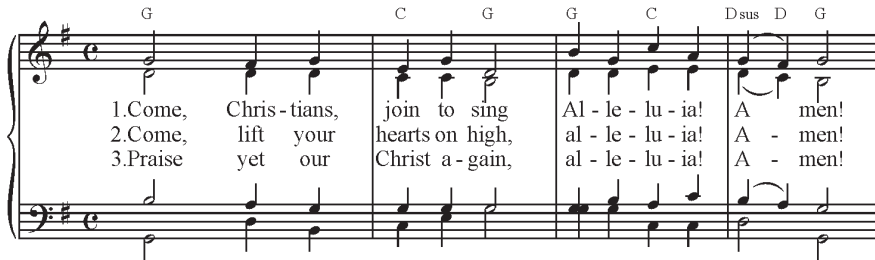
Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be. Amen.

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

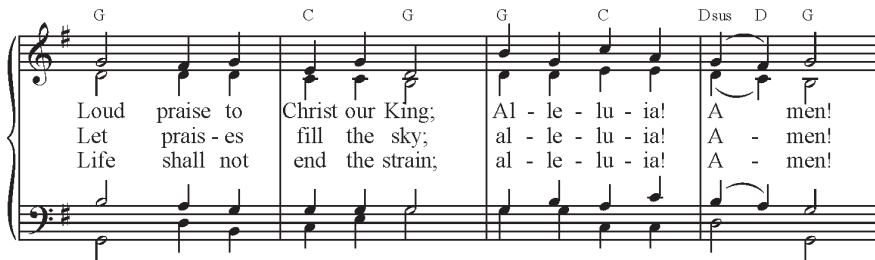
Words: Christian Bateman;
Music: Traditional Spanish melody

G C G G C D^{sus} D G



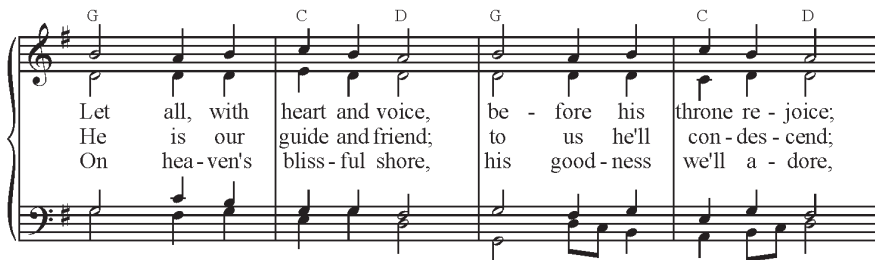
1. Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
2. Come, lift your hearts on high, al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
3. Praise yet our Christ a-gain, al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

G C G G C D^{sus} D G



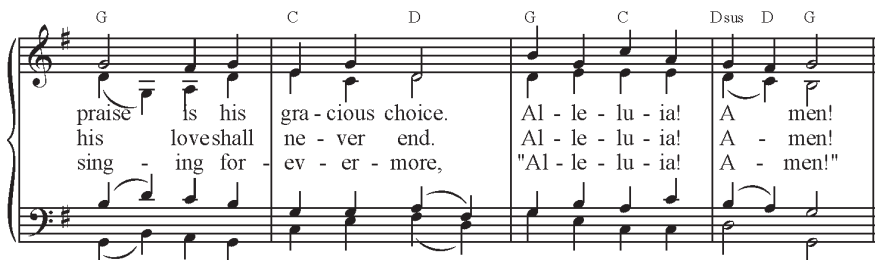
Loud praise to Christ our King; Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Let prais-es fill the sky; al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Life shall not end the strain; al-le-lu-ia! A-men!

G C D G C D



Let all, with heart and voice, be-fore his throne re-joice;
He is our guide and friend; to us he'll con-des-cend;
On hea-ven's bliss-ful shore, his good-ness we'll a-dore,"

G C D G C D^{sus} D G



praise is his gra-cious choice. Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
his loveshall ne-ver end. Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
sing-ing for-ev-er-more, \"Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!\"

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: *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 Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

Prayers of the People

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

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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

Scripture Reading

Nehemiah 11:1-5, 20-21; 12:22-32,
35-36, 38, 40, 43-47, *p406 in pew Bible*

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

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Rev. Travis Drake

Trinity Song

Words and Music: Sandra McCracken

Ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and Spir - it.

Ho - ly Com - mun - ion, Three in One.

Come with your peace, with your in - vi - ta - tion.

Bind us to - geth - er in ho - ly love.

Life Together

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

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

Give Thanks to the Lord

Words and Music: Brad Smith

1. Give thanks to the Lord for the works of his hand, for a
2. Give thanks to the Fa - ther for send - ing his Son, give
king - dom that can - not be sha - ken. Give thanks to the Lord for we
thanks to the Son for his Spi - rit. Now lift up your voic - es to
all now can stand and fear not of be - ing for - sa ken. Give
God, three in one, and shout so the whole world can hear it.
thanks to the Lord for his right - eous ness. Give thanks to the Lord for his
love. Let us wor - ship his name and his ho - li ness. Give thanks to the
Lord, Oh, give thanks to the Lord Give thanks.

Chords: D, G, A, G, Bm, Asus, A, D, D/F#, G, A, D, D/F#, G, Asus, A, Bm, G2, Asus, A, C6, Asus, A, D, G

Benediction

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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 **current Adult Education class** 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

Men's Bible Study: Andy Stuntz (astuntz@gmail.com)

Women's Ministry: Martha Olson (women@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:

Making Room at Thanksgiving: If you are currently without a place to share the Thanksgiving meal this year, please email laura@ctkcambridge.org. We would be happy to connect you with someone who would love for you to join them.

Did you miss the building updates at the recent congregational meeting? Do you want to learn more about the ongoing work on our church building? Check out the **new building renovations web page** at ctkcambridge.org/renovations and email building@ctkcambridge.org with questions!

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

Fri, Nov 18, 7p :: **Middle & High School Large Group**
ctkcambridge.org/youth

Sat, Dec 3, 8:30a :: **Men's Breakfast** :: Social Hall
ctkcambridge.org/men

Sat, Dec 10, 6:30p :: **Christmas Concert** :: Sanctuary
ctkcambridge.org/calendar

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

LINKS

GIVING:



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