

# CHRIST THE KING

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NOVEMBER 26, 2023 10:30 AM MORNING WORSHIP

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## Prelude

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: Lift up your heads, O gates!

**Congregation: And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

Leader: Who is this King of glory?

**Congregation: The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle!**

Leader: Lift up your heads, O gates!

**Congregation: And lift them up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.**

Leader: Who is this King of glory?

**All: The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory! — Psalm 24:1-10**

## 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.

## Give Thanks to the Lord

Words and Music: Brad Smith

D G A

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

G B m A sus A D D/F#

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

G A G B m A sus A D

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.

D/F# G A sus A D D/F# G

thanks to the Lord for his right-eousness. Give thanks to the Lord for his

A sus A D/F# G A sus A B m G2

love. Let us wor - ship his name and his ho - li ness. Give thanks to the

A sus A C 6 A sus A D G

Lord, Oh, give thanks to the Lord Give thanks.

## Confession of Faith

Leader: What are good works?

**Congregation: Only those which are done out of true faith, conform to God's law, and are done for God's glory; and not those based on our own opinion or human tradition.**

— *Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 91*

## Confession of Sin

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen. – from the *Book of Common Worship*

## Assurance of Grace

Leader: Now hear this promise of grace and forgiveness from the word of God, from Romans 8, verses 1 through 5:

*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.*

Leader: 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.**

## 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.

# My Heart Is Filled

Words and Music: Keith Getty  
and Stuart Townend

1. My heart is filled with thank - ful - ness to  
 2. My heart is filled with thank - ful - ness to  
 3. My heart is filled with thank - ful - ness to

3 him who bore my pain; who plumbed the depths of  
 him who walks be - side, who floods my weak - ness -  
 him who reigns a - bove, whose floods my weak - ness -  
 whose floods my weak - ness -

6 my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain; who  
 es with strength and caus - es fear to fly. Whose  
 per - fect peace, whose ev' - ry thought is love. For

9 crushed my curse of sin - ful - ness and clothed me in his  
 ev' - ry pro - mise is e - nough for ev' - ry step I  
 ev' - ry day I have on earth is gi - ven by the

12 light and wrote his law of right - eous - ness with  
 take, sus - tain - ing me with arms of love and  
 King, so I will give my life, my all, to

15 pow'r u - pon my heart.  
 crown - - - ing me with grace.  
 love and fol - - - low him.

## 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

### Offering Collectors:

Laura Bullock, Elizabeth Cantrell, Amelia Porch, Andy Stuntz

## Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;  
Music: Louis Borgeouis's *Genevan Psalter*

Praise God from whom all blessings 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. A - men.

## 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.

## Dismissal of Children and Passing of the Peace

**Leader:** May the peace of Christ be with you.

**Congregation:** And also with you!

## Life Together

## Prayers of the People

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

## 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.

## 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

**Scripture Reading**

Exodus 19:1-25; 20:18-21, *page 60 in pew Bible*

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

**Congregation: Thanks be to God.**

**Sermon**

Rev. Travis Drake

# Holy, Holy, Holy

Words: Reginald Heber;  
Music: John B. Dykes

The musical score is written for piano and four voices. It is in the key of D major and 4/4 time. The piano accompaniment consists of a right-hand melody and a left-hand bass line. The vocal parts are arranged in four staves, each with its own lyrics. The score is divided into four systems, each with a measure number (1, 5, 9, 14) at the beginning. Chord symbols are placed above the piano staves to indicate the harmonic structure.

1. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!  
2. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,  
3. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,  
4. Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

5 Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;  
cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glas - sy sea;  
though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,  
All thy works shall praise thy name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

9 Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three  
Cher u - bim and ser - aphim fal - ling down be - fore thee, who wert and  
on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee, per - fect in  
Ho-ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y! God in three

14 per - sons, bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!  
art and ev - er - more shall be.  
pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.  
per - sons bles - sed Tri - ni - ty!

## 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*

## Deacons' Fund Offering

### **Communion Servers:**

*Laura Bullock, Elizabeth Cantrell, Amelia Porch, Andy Stuntz*



# Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Words: Charles Wesley;  
Music: Kathryn Baldanza

The musical score is written on a single treble clef staff in the key of D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of four lines of music. The first line starts with a whole note chord of E. The second line starts with a whole note chord of E. The third line starts with a whole note chord of E. The fourth line starts with a whole note chord of C#m. The lyrics are printed below the notes, with some words on multiple lines. Chord symbols are placed above the staff at various points.

1. Re - joice, the Lord is King; Your Lord and King a -  
2. Je - sus the sa - vior reigns, the God of truth and  
3. His king - dom can - not fail, he rules o'er earth and  
4. Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord, the Judge, shall

4  
dore! Re - joice, give thanks and sing, and tri-umph ev - er -  
love; when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a -  
heav'n; the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus  
come, and take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal

8  
more. Lift up your heart, lift up your  
bove.  
giv'n.  
home.

12  
voice! Re - joice a - gain, I say, re - joice!

## Benediction

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We depart with this 'good word' of God's calling upon our lives in the world.

*Please dispose of your communion cups as you exit the sanctuary. Thank you!  
Please join us in the social hall for refreshments immediately following the service.*

# WELCOME

**Welcome visitors!** We're glad you could join us. 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 by contacting [office@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:office@ctkcambridge.org).

## SUNDAYS

### ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Kindergarten through High School Sunday school classes and Adult Education are currently offered Sunday mornings from 9:15a-10:15a. The Adult Education class meets in the social hall.

## FOR FAMILIES

### Nursery

- Open during the service for children ages 6 months (and sitting) to 3 years. The room is behind the sanctuary through the doors on the right.
- Please contact [children@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:children@ctkcambridge.org) with questions.

### Children's Worship

- Children 4 years through Grade 2 are dismissed from the service prior to the sermon to classes with teaching suited to their age. Parents must escort kids to class in order to check them in.
- Parents may pick up children during the song after the sermon. Please head to the back foyer (4y-Grade K) and Social Hall (Grades 1 & 2) and be sure to have your security tag with you.
- Please contact Dana Russell ([dana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto: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](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

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

## FELLOWSHIP GROUPS AND MINISTRIES

**Men's Bible Study:** Andy Stuntz ([astuntz@gmail.com](mailto:astuntz@gmail.com))

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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](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:

For any verbal announcements you may have missed, please visit [ctkcambridge.org/this-week](http://ctkcambridge.org/this-week).

The **deacons are looking for some new CTK Building Crew volunteers for 2024!** This volunteer team serves alongside the deacons one Sunday a month to help with building access, setup, offerings, and clean-up. If you are a member of CTK and like serving behind the scenes, want to learn more about the diaconate or the building, or feel called to help facilitate CTK worship services and events, then this is for you! Please contact [deacons@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:deacons@ctkcambridge.org) with questions or interest.

High Schoolers and Middle Schoolers! Get ready for this year's **Youth Christmas Party on Friday, December 1st at 7p** in the social hall. There will be cookie decorating, Christmas games, and tons of fun to start the season! For more info, reach out to [ariana@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:ariana@ctkcambridge.org).

Women of CTK! You're invited to the **CTK Women's Christmas Brunch and White Elephant Gift swap!** The party starts at **10a on Saturday, December 9th** in the Fellowship Hall. Please bring a wrapped gift to swap and a dish to share, and invite friends and neighbors! To sign up for the potluck, visit [ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women).

Please note, because **Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday** this year, we'll be doing one service instead of two -- it will be a hybrid of our regular service and our Christmas Eve Lessons & Carols service, at **4p on December 24th**.

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT CTK:

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

Fri, Dec 1, 7p :: **Youth Christmas Party** :: Social Hall  
[ctkcambridge.org/youth](http://ctkcambridge.org/youth)

Sat, Dec 9, 10a :: **Women's Christmas Brunch** :: Social Hall  
[ctkcambridge.org/women](http://ctkcambridge.org/women)

**Save the Date** :: Jan 26-28 :: **CTK Winter Getaway**  
[ctkcambridge.org/getaway](http://ctkcambridge.org/getaway)

## WEEKLY EVENTS AT CTK:

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

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

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

Fri, 6:15a :: **Men's Morning Bible Study** :: Online  
[ctkcambridge.org/men](http://ctkcambridge.org/men)

## LINKS

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KIDS' SUNDAY SUMMARY:



GIVING:



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