

CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22, 2017 10:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

Kittery
CTK Chamber Singers

W. Billings

*I told you to be patient, I told you to be fine
I told you to be balanced, I told you to be kind
In the morning I'll be with you, But it will be a different kind
I'll be holding all the tickets, And you'll be holding all the fines. - Bon Iver, Skinny Love*

Son, O my Father, such is my love to, and pity for them, that rather than they shall perish eternally, I will be responsible for them as their Surety; bring in all your bills, that I may see what they owe you; Lord, bring them all in, that there may be no after-reckonings with them; at my hand shall you require it. - John Flavel, The Fountain of Life

In the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ we participate in the love of the Father and enjoy the communion of the Holy Spirit. - Herman Bavinck, The Sacrifice of Praise

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

Rev. Rick Downs

Leader: Sing to the LORD, all the earth! Tell of his salvation from day to day.

Congregation: Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

Leader: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised,

Congregation: And he is to be held in awe above all gods.

Leader: For all the gods of the peoples are idols, but the LORD made the heavens.

All: Splendor and majesty are before him; strength and joy are in his place. — 1 Chronicles 16:23-27

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.

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words: Joachim Neander;
Music: *Erneuerten Gesangbuch*

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me a -

a - - - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - - - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 fend thee; sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - - - tion! All ye who hear,
 gent - ly sus - tain - - - eth! Hast thou not seen
 dai - ly at - tend thee. Pon - der a - new
 prais - es be - fore him. Let the A - men

now to his tem - ple draw near,
 how thy de - sires e'er have been
 what the Al - might - y will do,
 sound from his peo - ple a - gain;

join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
 gran - ted in what he or - dain - - - eth?
 if with his love he be - friend thee.
 glad - ly for aye we a - dore him.

Just As I Am

Words: Charlotte Elliott;
Music: William Bradbury

D A D

1. Just as I am, with - out one plea but
2. Just as I am, and wait - ing not to
3. Just as I am, though tossed a - bout with
4. Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; sight,
5. Just as I am, thou wilt re - ceive, wilt

3 A G/D D D

that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou biddst me
rid my soul of one dark blot, to thee, whose blood can
man - y a con - flict man - y a doubt, fight - ings and fears with
rich - es, heal - ing of the mind, yea, all I need, in
wel - come, par - don, cleanse, re - lieve; be - cause thy prom - ise

6 G D A D

come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
in, with-out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
thee to find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
I be - lieve, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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: 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: Almighty God, who freely pardons all who repent and turn to Him, now fulfill in every contrite heart the promise of redeeming grace; forgiving all our sins, and cleansing us from an evil conscience; through the perfect sacrifice of Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. – From the *Book of Common Prayer*

Declaration of Absolution

Leader: The Lord is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations. Just as a father has pity on his children, so the Lord has pity on those who fear him. Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, has had mercy on us and has given his only Son to die for us and for his sake forgives us all our sins. 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.

Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched

Words: Joseph Hart;
Music: Matthew Smith



1. Come ye sin - ners, poor and wretch - ed,
2. Come ye nee - dy, come and wel - come;
3. Come ye wea - ry, hea - vy la - den,
4. Let not con - science make you lin - ger,
5. Lo! Th'in - car - nate God, as - cend - ed;



weak and woun - ded, sick and sore.
God's free boun - ty glo - ri - fy:
bruised and bro - ken by the fall.
nor of fit - ness fond - ly dream.
pleads the mer - it of his blood.



Je - sus, rea - dy stands to save you,
true be - lief and true re - pen - tance,
If you tar - ry till you're bet - ter,
All the fit - ness he re - quir - eth
Ven - ture on him; ven - ture whol - ly,



full of pi - ty joined with power. He is a -
eve - ry grace that brings you nigh. With - out mon -
you will ne - ver come at all. Not the right -
is to feel your need of him. This he gives
let no oth - er trust in - trude. None but Je -



- ble, he is a - ble;
- ey, with - out mon - ey;
- eous, not the right - eous;
you, this he gives you,
- sus, none but Je - sus



he is will - ing; doubt no more.
come to Je - sus Christ and buy.
sin - ners Je - sus came to call.
'tis the Spi - rit's ri - sing beam.
can do help - less sin - ners good.

Offertory

The Apostles' Creed
CTK Children's Worship Classes

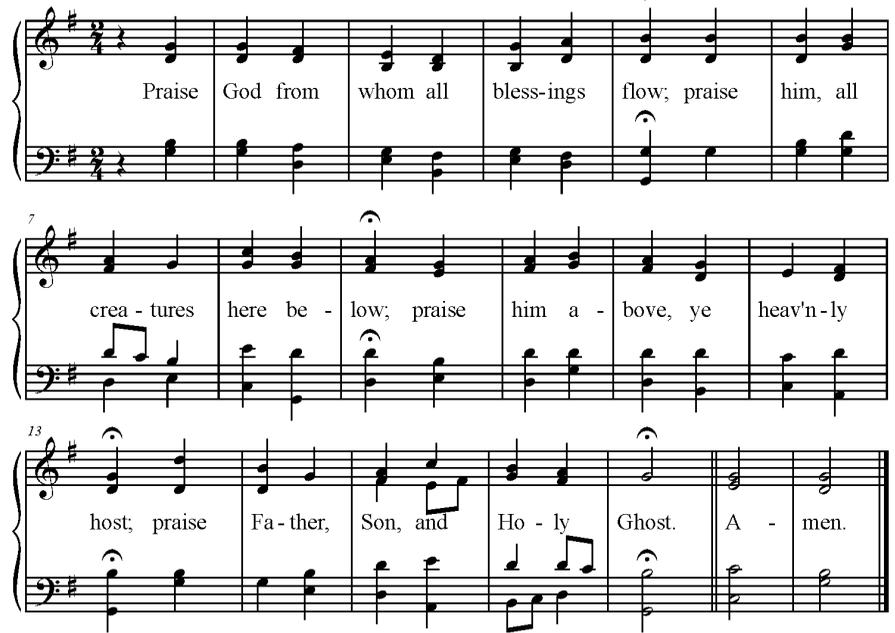
A. Pardo

Offertory

We give back to God our
wealth and talents in
recognition that they all
come from him.

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: Louis Bourgeois' *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.

Pastoral Prayer

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

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.

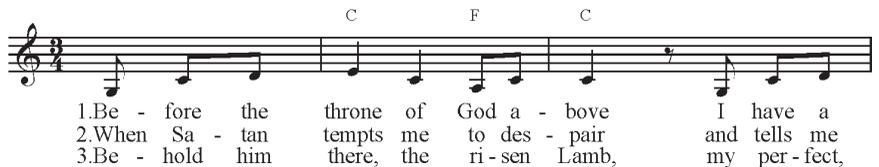
Passing of the Peace

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

Before the Throne of God Above

Words: Charitie Lees Bancroft;
Music: Vikki Cook



1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair and tells me
3. Be - hold him there, the ri - sen Lamb, my per - fect,



strong and per - fect plea, a Great High Priest whose name is
of the guilt with - in, up - ward I look and see him
spot - less righ - teous - ness, the great, un - change - ab - le I



Love, who - ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is
there who made an end of all my sin. Be - cause the
AM, the King of Glo - ry and of grace. One with him -



gra - ven on his hands; my name is writ - ten on his
sin - less Sa - vior died, my sin - ful soul is coun - ted
self I can - not die; my soul is pur - chased by his



heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands no tongue can
free, for God, the just, is sat - is - fied to look on
blood; my life is hid with Christ on high, with Christ my



bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.
Sa - vior and my God, with Christ my Sa - vior and my God.

Scripture Reading

Mark 2:1-12, page 837 in pew Bible

Reader: This is the Word of God.

Congregation: Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Catherine Cook

Rev. Nathan Barczi

Scripture Reading

So faith comes from hear-
ing, and hearing through
the word of Christ.

Romans 10.17

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.

*We encourage kids remain-
ing in the service to use the
Sermon Worksheet avail-
able in the foyer.*

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. Grape juice is available in the center of each wine tray and gluten-free bread on the right for those who desire such. Please hold the elements until all can partake together.

Lord's Supper

Invitation

Minister: God's Word has much to say to us, and there are many things we are called upon to believe. Yet in this meal that we share together we proclaim what is essential. We proclaim our faith as signed and sealed in this sacrament:

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

All: Most gracious God, we praise you for what you have given and for what you have promised us here. You have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. You have fed us with the bread of life, and renewed us for your service. Now we give ourselves to you; and we ask that our daily living may be part of your kingdom, and that our love may be your love reaching out into the life of the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Words: Charles Wesley, alt. Kevin Twit;
Music: Kevin Twit

G C Am D

1. A - rise my soul, a-rise, shake off your guilt - y fears;
2. He ev - er lives a-bove for me to in - tercede,
3. Five bleed - ing wounds he bears, re - ceived on Cal - vary.
4. My God is re - conciled, his pard 'ning voice I hear;

5 G C Am D

the bleed - ing sac - ri - fice on my be-half ap pears.
His all re - deem - ing love, his precious blood to plead.
They pour ef - fec - tual prayers; they strongly plead for me.
He owns me for his child; I can no long - er fear;

9 C G D/F# Em

Be - fore the throne my sure - ty stands, be - fore the throne
His blood a - toned for ev - 'ry race, his blood a - toned
For - give him, O for - give, they cry, For - give him, O
With con - fi - dence I now draw nigh, With con - fi - dence

12 D C D G

my sure - ty stands. My name is writ - ten on his hands.
for ev - 'ry race, and sprin - kles now the throne of grace.
for give, they cry, Nor let that ran - somed sin - ner die!
I now draw nigh, and "Fa - ther, Ab - ba, Fa - ther!" cry.

16 G C D

Men: A rise, Arise, Arise, Arise
Women: A rise, Arise, Arise, Arise

20 C G C D

mysoul, a-rise. Arise, Arise, Arise, Arise, Arise, Arise,

24 C Am C D G

mysoul, a rise. Shake off your guilt - y fears and rise.

Benediction

Benediction

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

Please join us in the social hall for refreshments immediately following the service.

WELCOME

Christ the King is a multi-congregational church with an English-speaking congregation that meets in Cambridge on Sunday mornings (ctkcambridge.org) and a mostly Brazilian congregation meeting in Portuguese in Cambridge on Sunday afternoons, as well as congregations that meet in Dorchester, Newton, Pembroke, Roslindale, Jamaica Plain and Somerville (ctkboston.org).

Welcome visitors! Please visit the welcome table in the foyer and fill out a visitor card so we can get to know you better. Also, find out more about us by talking with one of the pastors or our lead greeter, who will be standing in the back of the sanctuary. For more information about Christ the King, contact office@ctkcambridge.org.

SUNDAY MORNINGS

ADULT EDUCATION & SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Every Sunday morning at 8:45am, Christ the King offers classes for adults, youth and children. The topics of these classes reflect the desire of the church to equip its members with a better understanding of God's Word. Adult Education classes are taught in the social hall, classes for children toddler-5th grade are held downstairs, and Middle/High School meets in the office in the balcony.

I'm a Stranger Here Myself: A Study of 1 Peter. Meeting January 8 through February 19. What does it mean to be faithful to the mission that Jesus gave the church from the margins? Peter's first letter was written to Christians whose new faith cut them off from power and exposed them to persecution. He calls them not to guard their rights, but to ground all their hope in the reality of what God has done and will yet do in Christ. In this study we will consider the what this short letter has to say to our church, facing similar circumstances, but with the same mission, and the same hope.

CHILDREN DURING THE SERVICE

Children are always welcome in our service. Parents may opt to bring children to the programs below or to the social hall as needed where audio of the service plays and an area is partitioned for nursing mothers.

Nursery (0–3 years): Our nursery rooms provide safe care and are open throughout the service. Infants and non-walkers are upstairs and our 1's, 2's and 3's rooms are in the basement (exit through the right-side door for all rooms). Please sign your child in on the clipboard outside the room and take a visual pager number card.

Children's Worship (4 years–2nd Grade): Children are dismissed before the sermon to classes designed to engage God in a manner more suitable to young hearts and minds. All kids begin together in room 3/4 but may be picked up from adjoining rooms.

Children/Youth (3rd Grade & up): Our older children attend the entire service, and a worksheet is provided to aid in the instruction during the sermon.

For more information about children's ministry, please see the ministry leaflet in the church foyer or email dana@ctkcambridge.org.

BULLETINS

Bulletins are available on the church website (<http://www.ctkcambridge.org/sermons/>) each Thursday before the service, allowing for download for use during the service on a smartphone or tablet.

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WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

CTK READER

Visit ctkcambridge.org/ctk-reader/ to sign up for our weekly CTK Reader (electronic newsletter) with notes from our pastors, church announcements and community classifieds.

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Community groups are central to our life together at CTK, as we seek to live as followers of Jesus in relationship to one another. We encourage people to join a group near where they live, to gather over a meal and study, pray, and serve one another and our neighborhoods together. All are invited to join a group. To find a group near you, visit www.ctkcambridge.org or email office@ctkcambridge.org.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Men's and women's fellowship groups meet throughout the city to provide opportunities for fellowship, discipling, and growing in faith. For a listing of groups, visit www.ctkcambridge.org. If you would like a group started near you, email nathan@ctkcambridge.org (men) or Emily DeBaun Stuntz at emilydebaun@gmail.com (women).

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays, 9:30-11:30am in the church social hall. Childcare provided. Contact Becky Williams (john.n.becky@gmail.com).

VOCATIONAL GROUPS

Vocational groups offer times of fellowship and discussion for those in the CTK congregations throughout the city who work in similar fields. Contact nathan@ctkcambridge.org.

PRAYER MEETINGS

Morning Prayer: Tuesdays, 6:30am-8:30am for prayer at the church building in the social hall. Coffee and snacks are provided. Please contact office@ctkcambridge.org with questions.

Missions & Church Planting Prayer: Periodically there is a time of prayer for the missionaries CTK Cambridge supports and for church planting in Boston. Contact laura.a.martin87@gmail.com.

SECOND SATURDAYS

A monthly gathering to connect with friends or make new ones. Events take place the second Saturday of each month at Meadhall (4 Cambridge Center, Cambridge) from 5:30-7:30pm.

COLLEGE STUDENTS

CTK supports Reformed University Fellowship on nearby campuses. Contact our campus ministers at BU: nathan.dicks@ruf.org, Harvard: jeremy.mullen@ruf.org, and MIT: solomon.kim@ruf.org.

INTERNATIONAL MINISTRY

CTK's international ministry offers English classes on Monday evenings during the school year and a post-worship time of fellowship and discovery on Sunday afternoons. To connect with the church as an international member of the community or to volunteer, contact hannah@ctkcambridge.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We are putting together a **directory of faces and names** at CTK, and we'd love to get a picture of you! Please come by the social hall TODAY where Stephen Thrasher will be taking pictures. This will be the LAST week he will be there taking pictures, and we'd love to get as many as possible taken that day.

Want to meet people over a meal? Join CTK members for **Fourth Sunday Eat and Meet** TODAY following the service. Please meet in the social hall at the Fourth Sunday Eat and Meet sign, and then the group will head to a local restaurant. All are welcome!

The Winter Getaway will be held February 3-5 at Camp Brookwoods. **Registration is now open** at tinyurl.com/ctkgetaway2017. *The deadline for signing up is TODAY!* Email office@ctkcambridge.org with questions.

The **CTK Snow Team** is an elite crew of volunteers who receive emails about opportunities to serve our city by shoveling or snowblowing the sidewalks in front of the church. No prior experience required -- just a willingness to receive emails and help out as your schedule permits. If you're interested in helping, please contact deacons@ctkcambridge.org.

CTK's **Monday evening ESL classes** will be resuming, tomorrow January 23. If you are interested in volunteering, please email hannah@ctkcambridge.org.

2016 Giving Statements will be sent by email later this month. If you don't have an email address on file with the church and would like to receive your statement electronically, please contact giving@ctkboston.org. If we don't have your email address, we'll send your statement by mail.

The Theology Reading Group meets at the Field Pub on Prospect Street, Wednesdays from 4:00pm to 5:00pm, beginning January 25th. This spring we are reading *Biblical Authority After Babel* by Kevin J. Vanhoozer. All are welcome! For questions, contact nathan@ctkcambridge.org.

A **new community group in Harvard Square** will begin meeting on January 25. The group will meet in the home of Trey and Hannah Nation on Wednesdays at 7:30pm. For more information, contact trey.nation@gmail.com or office@ctkcambridge.org.

We use an **online giving platform** called Church Center Online. It's straightforward to use, is secure, and has more features in development which promise to make improve the online giving experience. Try Church Center Online by visiting <https://ctkboston.churchcenteronline.com/giving>. Questions? Email giving@ctkboston.org.

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