

CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13, 2017 10:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP

Prelude

*See where I am is where I'm wanting to be,
I know what I need, know what I need...
I need a love just like you gave
I haven't found it yet, found it yet* - The Paper Kites, *Paint*

It is horrible being all alone. - J.R.R. Tolkien, *The Hobbit*

The person who loves their dream of community will destroy community, but the person who loves those around them will create community. - Dietrich Bonhoeffer, *Life Together*

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

Greg Parker

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.

Come, Thou Almighty King

Words: anonymous ca. 1757;
Music: Felice de Giardini

1. Come, thou al - might - y - King, help us thy
 2. Come, thou In - car - nate Word, gird on thy
 3. Come, Ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred
 4. To the great one in Three e - ter - nal

5 name to sing, help us to praise. Fa - ther, all
 might - y sword, our prayer at - tend. Come, and thy
 wit - ness bear in this glad hour. Thou who al -
 prais - es be, hence ev - er - more. His sov - ereign

10 glo - ri - ous, o'er all vic - to - ri - ous,
 peo - ple bless, and give thy Word suc - cess;
 might - y art, now rule in ev - 'ry heart,
 maj - es - ty may we in glo - ry see,

13 come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.
 Spir - it of ho - li - ness, on us de - scend.
 and ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.
 and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Come, Oh Redeemer, Come

Words and Music: Fernando Ortega

Em D C

Fa - ther en - throned on high, ho - ly, ho - ly,
Lord save us from the dark of our stri - ving,
Look now up - on our need; Lord, be with us.

5 Em D 1. Em

an - cient, e - ter - nal light, hear our prayer.
faith - less and troub - led hearts, weighed
Heal us and make us free from our

10 2, 3. Em Am Em

down. Come, oh Re-deem-er, come, grant us mer - cy.
sin.

15 Am D Em

Come, oh Re-deem-er, come, grant us peace.

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.

Call to Confession

Leader: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us. – *1 John 1:5-10*

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

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.

Declaration of Absolution

Leader: Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, but as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. 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.



1. You're the Word of God the Fa-ther, from be - fore the world be -
 2. Yet you left the gaze of an-gels, came to seek and save the
 3. With a shout you rose vic - to-rious, wrest-ling vic - t'ry from the



gan; ev - 'ry star and ev - 'ry pla - net has been
 lost, and ex - changed the joy of heav - en for the
 grave, and as - cend - ed in - to heav - en lead - ing



fash - ioned by your hand. All cre - a - tion holds to -
 an - guish of a cross. With a prayer you fed the
 cap - tives in your wake. Now you stand be - fore the



geth - er by the pow - er of your voice; let the
 hun - gry, with a word you stilled the sea. Yet how
 Fa - ther in - ter - ced - ing for your own. From each



skies de - clare your glo - ry, let the land and seas re -
 si - lent - ly you suf - fered that the guilt - y may go
 tribe and tongue and na - tion you are lead - ing sin - ners



joice!
 free. You're the au - thor of cre - a - tion, you're the Lord of ev - 'ry
 home.



man; and your cry of love rings out a-cross the lands.

Offertory

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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. Some of us choose to put an offering in the plate, while others give online or by mail.

Doxology

Words: Thomas Ken;
Music: *Geistliche Kirchengesange*

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 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

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.

Passing of the Peace

The Risen Christ

Words and Music: Keith Getty and Phil Madeira



1.O, Breath of God, come fill this place, re - vive our
2.O, Word of God, so clear and true, re - new our
3.O, love of God, so un - re - strained, re - fresh our
4.May God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the



hearts to know your grace; and from our slum - ber make us
minds to trust in you; and give to us the Bread of
souls, in Je - sus' name; let us re - flect your sac - ri -
Spi - rit, make us one; in ho - li - ness let us u -



rise; that we may know the ris - en Christ.
Life; that we may know the ris - en Christ.
fice; that we may know the ris - en Christ.
nite; that we may know the ris - en Christ.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 28:16-20, page 835 in pew Bible

Reader: The grass withers and the flower fades.

Congregation: But the word of our God will stand forever.

Grace West

Scripture Reading

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

Romans 10.17

Sermon

Rev. Rick Downs

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 remaining in the service to use the Sermon Worksheet available 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: What is your only comfort in life and death?

All: That I with body and soul, both in life and death, am not my own, but belong to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ; who, with his precious blood, has fully satisfied for all my sins, and delivered me from all the power of the devil; and so preserves me that without the will of my heavenly Father, not a hair can fall from my head; yea, that all things must be subservient to my salvation, and therefore, by his Holy Spirit, He also assures me of eternal life, and makes me sincerely willing and ready, henceforth, to live unto him. – Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

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: Heavenly Father, we give you everlasting praise and thanks that you have given us, poor sinners, so great a benefit – that you have drawn us into the communion of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, whom you surrendered to death for us and whom you give to us as food and nourishment for eternal life. Grant us now this benefit, also: that you will never allow us to forget these truths, but rather, imprint them on our hearts, that we may grow and thrive victoriously in faith – a faith committed to all good works. In so doing may we order and direct our whole human life to the exaltation of your glory and the up building of our neighbor, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, who in the unity of the Holy Spirit lives and reigns with you eternally. Amen.

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

Words: Edward Perronet
and John Rippon;
Music: Luke Morton

(Capo III) F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) Dm(Bm) F(D) C7(A7)

1. All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2. Ye cho - sen seed of Is - rael's race, ye ran - somed from the
 3. Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe on this ter - res - trial
 4. O that with you - der sa - cred throng we at his feet may

F(D) C(A) F(D) C(A) Dm(Bm) C(A) F(D) C(A)

fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a dem, and
 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 ball to him all ma - jes - ty as - cribe, and
 fall. We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song, and

F(D) C(A) Dm(Bm) G(E) C(A) F(D)

crown him Lord of all; bring forth the roy - al
 crown him Lord of all; Hail him who saves you
 crown him Lord of all, to him all ma - jes -
 crown him Lord of all. We'll join the ev - er -

C7(A7) Dm(Bm) F(D) Bb(G) F(D) C(A) F(D)

di a dem, and crown him Lord of all.
 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all.
 ty as - cribe, and crown him Lord of all.
 last - ing song, and crown him Lord of all.

Benediction

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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 (Youth in grades 6+ are invited to join in this summer until their class resumes September 10). Childcare and classes for children through Grade 5 are held downstairs.

CTK's summer Hot Topics adult ed series:

August 20 and 27, September 3 - Technology and Media
Come join the discussion!

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–Grade 2): Children are dismissed before the sermon to classes designed to engage God in a manner more suitable to young hearts and minds. Kids begin in room 3 / 4 and are picked up from adjoining rooms. ***Note, classes do not meet over summer but resume September 10** with the *Story of Worship*, teaching through our Order of Service.

Children/Youth (Grade 3 & 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 ctkcambridge.org/kids 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.

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). *Women's Bible Study is on hiatus for the summer.*

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.

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

Please join us for **CTK's Summer Picnic Series** at Sennott Park (near the corner of Prospect St and Broadway) following the Sunday service on August 13, 20 and 27. Bring your own lunch, picnic blanket, frisbees/footballs, and we'll bring dessert!

The CTK Reading Group at The Field Pub is marking the 500th anniversary of the Reformation by reading some of Martin Luther's shorter pieces, collected in *Martin Luther: Selections from his Writings*, edited by John Dillenberger. If you are interested in joining the discussion, contact Nathan@ctkcambridge.org or just show up! The group meets at 4:30pm on Thursdays.

Get your sports on with **weekly ultimate frisbee at Cambridge Common**, Sundays at 1:30pm through the summer. All skill levels welcome – the game is kid-friendly for all but very small children. For more information and to receive schedule updates, join the Google group ctk-frisbee or email Tim Carter at tlcarter@gmail.com.

Enjoy building relationships with kids? Consider teaching Sunday School during the upcoming school year. Classes run from 8:45–9:45am for all ages. Curriculum materials are provided so no experience needed, simply a willingness to teach! Contact dana@ctkcambridge.org for more information.

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 improve the online giving experience. Try Church Center Online by visiting <https://ctkboston.church-centeronline.com/giving>. Questions? Email giving@ctkboston.org.

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