



# *Ephesians*

walk in love, as Christ loved us  
Ephesians 5:2

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024  
THE FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## ❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Romans 5 & Psalm 105

Leader: The love of God has been poured into our hearts  
through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

**People: We dwell in him and he in us.**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

**People: Make known his deeds among the people,**

Leader: Sing to him; sing praises to him!

**People: Speak of all his marvelous works!**

## ❖ COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

NETTLETON, Robert Robinson and John Wyeth

Come thou fount of every blessing  
Tune my heart to sing thy grace  
Streams of mercy never ceasing  
Call for songs of loudest praise  
Teach me some melodious sonnet  
Sung by flaming tongues above  
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it  
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer  
Hither by thy help I'm come  
And I hope by thy good pleasure  
Safely to arrive at home  
Jesus sought me when a stranger  
Wandering from the fold of God  
He to rescue me from danger  
Interposed his precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be  
Let that grace now, like a fetter  
Bind my wandering heart to thee

Prone to wander, Lord I feel it  
Prone to leave the God I love  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it  
Seal it for thy courts above

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## ❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

You are the Sovereign One, O God, and rightly to be blessed.  
Your name shall ever be upon our lips.  
You have heard us and save us from trouble.  
You have enlightened us; our faces reflect your radiance.  
Aglow with the splendor of your promised redemption,  
we worship and adore you, ruler of nations. Amen.

## ❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and was buried;  
he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand  
of God the Father Almighty.

From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## ❖ BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

Matt Redman and Beth Redman

Blessed be your name in the land that is plentiful  
Where your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be your name when I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say

*Chorus:*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord*

*Blessed be your name*

*Blessed be the name of the Lord*

*Blessed be your glorious name*

Blessed be your name when the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's all as it should be  
Blessed be your name  
Blessed be your name on the road marked with suffering  
Though there's pain in the offering  
Blessed be your name

Every blessing you pour out I'll turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in Lord, still I will say *(Ch)*

You give and take away, you give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord blessed be your name *(Ch 2x)*

## **PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD**

### **ABIDE WITH ME**

Henry Lyte, Justin Smith

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide  
The darkness deepens, Lord with me abide  
When fail my helpers and my comforts flee  
Help of the helpless abide with me

Thou on my head in early youth didst smile  
And though rebellious and perverse meanwhile  
Thou hast not left me oft as I left thee  
On to the close Lord, abide with me

Be thou beside me every passing hour  
What but thy favor foils the tempter's power  
Who else but thou, Lord can my Captain be  
Through cloud and sunshine, abide with me

Hold thou thy cross before thy closing eyes  
Shine in the twilight, point me to the skies  
Heaven's morning opens, earth's vain shadows flee  
In life, in death Lord, abide with me

### **✝ PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

O God of all grace, we confess that we are sinners,  
but in Christ you have given us a Savior.

Produce in us a faith to live by him,  
to make him our desire, our hope, our glory.

Preserve us by his grace from this present evil world,  
so that its smiles never allure us,  
its frowns never terrify us,  
its vices never defile us, its errors never delude us.

Cause us to live as strangers and pilgrims  
in the cities of this earth,  
knowing that our true citizenship is in the city of heaven,  
so that all we do may be done to the Savior's glory;  
in whose name we pray. Amen.

## ❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD

Leader: When they call to me, I will answer them;  
I will be with them in trouble,  
I will rescue them and honor them  
and show them my salvation.  
Receive the good news of the gospel.

**People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People: And also with you!**

## THE OFFERING

### CORNERSTONE

Jonas Myrin, Reuben Morgan, Eric Lilljero, Edward Mote; arr. Mark Hayes

Jenny Yang, *piano*

### SCRIPTURE READING

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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

## THE SERMON

“The Inheritance”

# CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Communion is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. It is an occasion for baptized Christians to be strengthened by our Savior. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, are members in good standing of a church that embraces the gospel, live at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully are welcome to come forward to partake. If you are not a Christian, have not been admitted to the Lord's table, or choose not to partake you are welcome to come forward with your arms crossed in front of your body to receive a blessing.*

Minister: The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**People: We lift them up unto the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING & WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Minister: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.  
Come and feed on him in your hearts  
by faith with thanksgiving.

*During communion, wine and grape juice are served.  
Grape juice, in a purple cup, is available upon request.  
All communion bread is gluten-free.  
Please let an usher know if it is difficult for you to come forward.*

#### **Prayer of Seeking 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 undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.*

#### **Prayer of Belief**

*Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.*

## **JESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN**

Henry Lyte and Bill Moore

Jesus I my cross have taken  
All to leave and follow thee  
Destitute, despised, forsaken  
Thou from hence my all shalt be  
Perish every fond ambition  
All I've sought or hoped or known  
Yet how rich is my condition  
God and heaven are still my own  
  
Go then earthly fame and treasure  
Come disaster, scorn and pain  
In thy service pain is pleasure  
With thy favor loss is gain  
I have called thee Abba Father  
I have stayed my heart on thee  
Storms may howl and clouds may gather  
All must work for good to me  
  
Soul, then know thy full salvation  
Rise o'er sin and fear and care  
Joy to find in every station  
Something still to do or bear  
Think what Spirit dwells within me  
Think what Father's smiles are thine  
Think that Jesus died to win thee  
Child of heaven canst thou repine  
  
Haste thee on from grace to glory  
Armed by faith and winged by prayer  
Heaven's eternal days before thee  
God's own hand shall guide us there  
Soon shall close thy earthly mission  
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days  
Hope shall change to glad fruition  
Faith to sight and prayer to praise

# ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND

Christopher Miner and Samuel Stennett

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye  
To Canaan's fair and happy land where my possessions lie  
All o'er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day  
Where God, the Son, forever reigns and scatters night away

I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the promised land  
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the promised land

No chilling winds, nor poisonous breath can reach that healthful shore  
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death are felt and feared no more  
When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blessed  
Where shall I see my Father's face and in his bosom rest

I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the promised land  
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the promised land (x3)

I am bound for the promised land  
I am bound for the promised land

## ❖ BENEDICTION

Romans 15:13

**Minister:** May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

**People:** **Thanks be to God. Amen.**

## ❖ DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDDTH, Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, Thomas Ken

Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost  
Amen

### Worship Leaders

Stacey Croft	<i>liturgy</i>
Conrad Guthrie	<i>bass</i>
Clay Holland	<i>sermon</i>
Luke Hubley	<i>drums</i>
Jonah Lou	<i>guitar &amp; vocals</i>
Scott Mochon	<i>guitar</i>
Steven Wiggs	<i>cello</i>
Jenny Yang	<i>piano</i>

### Audio/Visual Team

Zach Day	<i>audio</i>
Judy Jackson	<i>projections</i>
Spencer Jackson	<i>video director</i>
Ryan Landis	<i>camera</i>
Namath Naif	<i>technical director</i>

*Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today.  
For a full list of upcoming events,  
please visit [christtheking.com](http://christtheking.com).*

## Sunday Morning at Christ the King

**10:30 am**  
**Worship Service**

**Nursery Care**  
Infant - 4 years

## Upcoming Events

9/5	Young Adults Monthly Meal	7:00 pm	69 Legend Lane
9/8	Young Adults Sunday Brunch	10:00 - 10:30 am	Front Patio
9/8	Student Ministry Sunday Night Live	5:30 - 7:00 pm	Christ the King
9/10	Men's Breakfast	6:30 - 7:30 am	The Great Hall
9/11	Baptism Meeting	5:00 - 6:00 pm	Room B200
9/15	Kindergarten Family Lunch	11:45 am	The Great Hall
9/18	Churchwide Prayer	12:00 - 12:30 pm	The Sanctuary
9/27 & 9/28	Membership Class	Fri: 6:00-8:30pm Sat: 9:30am-12:30pm	The Great Hall

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### **Bible Studies**

Join us as we study the Gospel of Luke, a book that allows us to watch Jesus up close as he begins to reveal to his disciples, the crowds, and to us the astonishing upside-down kingdom of God. Sign up today at [christtheking.com](http://christtheking.com).



### **Men's Breakfast**

*September 10, 6:30 - 7:30 am, The Great Hall*

Join us for breakfast and to be challenged by an encouraging word from one of our pastors. Send a personal invite to a friend, a neighbor or a co-worker and we'll see you there!



### **Churchwide Prayer**

*September 18, 12:00 - 12:30 pm, The Sanctuary*

Once a month our church gathers for thirty minutes of prayer led by our pastors. Together we spend time praying Scripture, sitting in moments of silent prayer, and praying for members of our church who have requested prayer. Everyone is invited to join us for this formative time of prayer.



### **Membership Class**

*September 27 & 28*

Join us as we dive deeper into the mission, vision and values of Christ the King. You'll meet some of the pastors, elders, leaders, and staff members who are eager to walk alongside you on your spiritual journey. This class does not obligate you to become a member, but it is required if you are pursuing membership at Christ the King. Register at [christtheking.com/membership](http://christtheking.com/membership).



# THE BARNABAS CENTER

The Barnabas Center exists to provide professional Christ-centered counseling to members of Christ the King and the Houston community in order to help people find healing, meaning, and hope for their lives.

Visit their website to learn more: [barnabascenterhou.com](http://barnabascenterhou.com)

## **Counseling Roundtables**

The Barnabas Center will host three Counseling Roundtables to introduce and explore various counseling topics. We would love for everyone to join us in these discussions led by our professional counselors. You may RSVP on the website above to let us know you are coming and to register for childcare, or just drop in!

### **1. Anxiety, Worry, and Stress--What's the Difference?**

*Wednesday, September 18, 11:15 am - 12:00 pm, Room A301*

Join us for a roundtable discussion exploring anxiety, worry, and stress, how they impact our lives, and how we can manage and overcome these emotional experiences. Brief teaching and discussion will be led by Leslie Peacock, LPC, Director of Counseling.

### **2. What is Trauma and How Do I Heal From It?**

*Wednesday, September 25, 11:15 am - 12:00 pm, Room A301*

Join us for a roundtable discussion exploring trauma, what it is, how it impacts our lives, and how we can heal from our traumatic experiences. We will also discuss EMDR (Eye Movement Desensitization Reprocessing), a therapeutic tool to heal our trauma. Brief teaching and discussion will be led by Leslie Peacock, LPC, Director of Counseling.

### **3. How Do I Develop Healthy Communication With My Partner?**

*Wednesday, October 2, 11:15 am - 12:00 pm, Room A301*

Join us for a roundtable discussion exploring healthy communication patterns in marriage. We will discuss navigating conflict, solving problems, building understanding, and developing trust with our spouse. Brief teaching and discussion will be led by Leslie Peacock, LPC, Director of Counseling and Haley Webster, Graduate Student Counselor.

## **Counseling Seminar: Understanding ADHD**

*Sunday, October 6, 5:30-6:30pm, 3D Room*

The Barnabas Center will host an informational seminar to help you learn more about ADHD, ADHD Assessments, and resources to promote healing and growth. Caroline McKee, MABC, LPC is trained in the Brown Executive Function/Attention Scales and will answer questions about receiving an assessment and how we can support our loved ones. Please RSVP at [barnabascenterhou.com](http://barnabascenterhou.com).

## Mission Partner Spotlight

### Harbor Christian Academy

Harbor Christian Academy, located in the Denver Harbor area of Houston, provides a classical educational model to students from varied backgrounds to the glory of God. At Harbor Christian Academy, students are taught all subjects based on the principle that God is Creator of all that exists, and consequently, all knowledge is interrelated and points back to Him. Therefore, Christ is at the core of all learning. The school uses a partner funding model which helps families and students, regardless of financial means, achieve their educational goals. If you are interested in serving alongside our Mission Partner, please contact Kim Dolibois, Mission and Mercy Coordinator, at [kim.dolibois@christtheking.com](mailto:kim.dolibois@christtheking.com).

## Pastors at Christ the King

Our staff is excited to come alongside you as you grow in your worship of Christ and your love and care for one another. Please contact any of us with questions or needs.

You can find contact information for all of our staff and pastors at [christtheking.com/staff](http://christtheking.com/staff).

<b>Stacey Croft</b>	Pastor, Adult Ministry
<b>Clay Holland</b>	Pastor, Family Ministry
<b>Alex Martinez</b>	Pastor, Latino Ministry
<b>John Trapp</b>	Senior Pastor
<b>Andrés Zelaya</b>	Executive Pastor of the Latino Initiative

## Care at Christ the King

### Congregational Prayers

Can we pray for you? Let us know at [christtheking.com/care](http://christtheking.com/care) or contact [catherine.duffin@christtheking.com](mailto:catherine.duffin@christtheking.com).

### Deacons at Christ the King

The deacons come alongside our church body to assist with needs like encouragement and prayer, budgeting and financial coaching, and helping widows and elderly. If you have a need, or know of a need, please email them at [deacons@christtheking.com](mailto:deacons@christtheking.com).

### The Barnabas Center

We are honored to help you find healing, understanding, and hope in your life and current circumstances through Christ-centered professional counseling. Please visit our website at [barnabascenterhou.com](http://barnabascenterhou.com) for more information and to connect with a counselor.

## Ministry Budget Update

2024 Ministry Budget Goal	\$	5,988,118
Budgeted giving through 08/25/2024	\$	3,915,308
Received as of 08/25/2024	\$	2,211,715
Variance	\$	(1,703,593)

### Giving to Christ the King

It is by your consistent generosity that we are able to support our Mission Partners in Houston and around the world and continue life changing ministry here at Christ the King. You can give today by placing checks or cash in the offering plate as it comes by. And you can always give at [christtheking.com/giving](http://christtheking.com/giving).

