

MARK

# Order of Worship

NOVEMBER 22, 2026
THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**❖ CALL TO WORSHIP** from 1 Chronicles 29

Minister: Blessed are you, O Lord God, forever and ever.

**People: All that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all.**

Minister: In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.

**People: We thank you, our God, and praise your glorious name.**

**❖ ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING**

Lasst Uns Erfreuen, Francis of Assisi

All creatures of our God and King,
Lift up your voice and with us sing alleluia, alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
Thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,
O praise him, alleluia!
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice,
Ye lights of evening, find a voice,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All ye who are of tender heart,
Forgiving others, take your part,
O sing ye, alleluia!
Ye who long pain and sorrow bear,
Praise God and on him cast your care,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless,
And worship him in humbleness, O praise him, alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
And praise the Spirit, three in one,
O praise him, O praise him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

### ❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Great and marvelous are your deeds, Lord God Almighty. Just and true are your ways, King of the ages. Who will not fear you, O Lord, and bring glory to your name? For you alone are holy. All nations will come and worship before you, for your righteous acts have been revealed. Amen.

### ❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, #1

Minister: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

**All:** **That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation.**

**Therefore, by his Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.**

### ❖ MY ONLY COMFORT

Joe Deegan, based on The Heidelberg Catechisms 1 & 22

What is your only comfort in life or in death
That I belong body and soul
To the Lord who gives me breath
To the Lord who gives me breath

He has fully paid for my sins
With his own precious blood
He has set me free from the tyranny
Of the ruler of this world
Of the ruler of this world

*Chorus:*
*Oh I am not my own, I am bound to Christ alone*
*My only comfort in this life is belonging to the Lord*
*Is belonging to the Lord*

I believe in the resurrection
And the promise that was made
That my body and soul will be made whole
On the Lord's Anointed Day
On the Lord's Anointed Day *(Chorus)*

No eye has fully seen, no ear has fully heard
No human heart can imagine the world that is to come
The world that is to come *(Chorus 2x)*

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

**JESUS CAST A LOOK ON ME**

Matthew Jones and John Berridge

Jesus cast a look on me
Give me sweet simplicity
Make me poor and keep me low
Seeking only thee to know

All that feeds my busy pride
Cast it evermore aside
Bid my will to thine submit
Lay me humbly at thy Feet

Make me like a little child
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled
Seeing only in thy light
Walking only in thy might

Leaning on thy loving breast
Where a weary soul can rest
Feeling well the peace of God
Flowing from thy precious blood

In this posture let me live
And hosannas daily give
In this temper let me die
And hosannas ever cry!

**✢ PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Almighty God, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and to humbly confess to you our unbelief. While we know and believe that Jesus died for us on the cross and that he was raised for us from the dead, we admit it often makes little difference in our lives.

Forgive us, we pray. Enable us to fully embrace the truth of the gospel: that our love for you may flourish, that our obedience may be wholehearted and joyful, and that our witness may be more courageous. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our risen Savior and triumphant Lord. Amen.

**❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD** Acts 4:12

Minister: In the name of Jesus there is forgiveness of sin and new life for all who repent and believe.

**People: There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.**

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

**People: And also with you!**

**THE OFFERING**

**POETRY** — Joe Deegan, *guitar & vocals*
Taylor Leonhardt — Anna Thielemann, *vocals*

**SCRIPTURE READING** — Mark 4:35-41
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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**THE SERMON** — "The King Over the Storm" — Rev. John Trapp
*Mark*

# 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 Humble Access**

*I do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in my own goodness, but only in your righteousness credited to me. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose manner is always to show mercy. Grant me, therefore, O Lord, the grace to commune now with Christ by faith, that I may evermore live in him and he in me. Amen.*

## BE STILL, MY SOUL

Katharina A. Von Schlege, Jane Borthwick, & Jean Sibelius

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In every change, He faithful will remain
Be still, my soul: Thy best, thy heavenly, Friend
Thro' thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake
To guide the future, as He has the past
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know
His voice Who ruled them while He dwelt below

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone
Sorrows forgot, love's purest joys restored
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

## ❖ HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION

Robert Keene

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the LORD
Is laid for your faith in his excellent word
What more can he say than to you he hath said
You who unto Jesus for refuge have fled

Fear not I am with thee, O be not dismayed
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid
I'll strengthen thee, help thee and cause thee to stand
Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters I call thee to go
The rivers of grief shall not thee overflow
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress

When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie
My grace, all sufficient, shall by thy supply
The flame shall not hurt thee, I only design
Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose
I will not, I will not desert to his foes
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake
I will never, no never, no never forsake

*Tag:*
*That soul, though all hell shows endeavor to shake*
*I will never, no never, no never forsake*

## ❖ BENEDICTION

Jude 24-25

Minister: Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forevermore! Go in peace.

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

## ❖ DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH, 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**

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| Tim Brown | *piano* |
| Sam Cornelius | *guitar* |
| Stacey Croft | *liturgy* |
| Joe Deegan | *guitar & vocals* |
| Conrad Guthrie | *bass* |
| Michelle Hays | *violin* |
| Travis Henthorn | *drums* |
| Clay Holland | *liturgy* |
| Anna Thielemann | *vocals* |
| John Trapp | *sermon* |
| Steven Wiggs | *cello* |

**Audio/Visual Team**

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| John Bard | *video director* |
| Amy Curry | *projections* |
| Ozzie Fong | *camera* |
| Samuel Hunniford | *camera* |
| Namath Naif | *technical director* |
| Alex Rollo | *camera & Spanish translation* |

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### Our Vision

To reach Houston and beyond for Christ and renew lives by grace.

### Our Mission

Christ the King exists to make disciples who worship God, grow in God's grace, and serve in God's mission all for God's glory.

## SUNDAY AT CHRIST THE KING

### 9:00 am

**Worship Service**

**Nursery Care**
8 weeks - 4 years

**Children's Worship**
PreK-2nd grade
Children will be dismissed from the worship service.

**Adult Sunday Morning Class**
(Room A301, 3rd Floor)

**Young Adult Sunday Morning Class**
(The Redeemer Room, 3rd Floor)

### 10:30 am

**Worship Service**
Spanish Translation Available

**Nursery Care**
8 weeks - 4 years

**Sunday School**
2 - 4 years old (1st floor)
K - 3rd grade (2nd floor)
Code 45 - 4th & 5th grade
(Through the Great Hall, and up the stairs)

**Student Ministry**
**Sunday Mornings**
6th - 12th grade
(3rd floor)

**Adult Sunday Morning Class**
(The Redeemer Room, 3rd Floor)

**Learn More**

See what's coming up at Christ the King! Visit christtheking.com/events or scan the QR code to explore upcoming events and register.

# UPCOMING EVENTS

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| 12/2 | Women's Ministry Deck the Halls | 9:30 - 11:00 am |
| 12/2 | High School Christmas Party | 7:00 - 8:15 pm |
| 12/3 | Women's Ministry Christmas Dinner | 7:00 - 9:00 pm |
| 12/5 | Men's Ministry Service Day | 8:30 - 11:30 am |
| 12/6 | Middle School Christmas Party | 5:30 - 7:00 pm |
| 12/6 | Young Adults Christmas Party | 7:00 - 9:00 pm |
| 12/7 | Children's Ministry Christmas Party | 9:30 - 11:30 am |
| 12/9 | Advent Lament Service | 7:00 - 8:00 pm |
| 12/13 | Advent Song Night | 5:00 - 6:00 pm |
| 12/24 | Christmas Eve Services | 2:00, 3:30 & 5:00 pm |
| 12/27 | No Sunday School Classes | |
| 01/03 | No Sunday School Classes | |




### Advent Lament Service

*December 9, 7:00 - 8:00 pm*

While this season brings joy and celebration, it can also be a time of grief, sadness, and longing. We invite you to join us for a quiet evening of prayer and reflection as we bring our sorrows and hopes before God and find comfort in the promise of Christ's return. The service will include a short message and communion. All are welcome.




### Advent Song Night

*December 13, 5:00 - 6:00 pm*

Join us for our annual Advent Song Night, a festive evening of music and celebration for all ages! We'll sing Christmas songs together, discover the stories behind some of these beloved carols, and enjoy a special Christmas message especially for kids. Bring your family and friends and celebrate the season with us!




### Christmas Eve at Christ the King

*Thursday, December 24*

Celebrate the joy of Christmas with us at Christ the King! Join us for one of our three Christmas Eve candlelight services at 2:00, 3:30, or 5:00 pm as we gather to worship and celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Childcare will be available at the 2:00 and 3:30 pm services, and Spanish translation will be offered at 5:00 pm.

We hope you'll invite your family, friends, and neighbors to share in this special evening with us!

# Holiday Serving

There are many ways for all ages to love and serve others this holiday season. Together, we can live out our mission of reaching Houston and beyond for Christ and renewing lives by grace as we serve our neighbors, care for our city, and pray for our missionaries around the world.

To learn more about our Mission Partners or opportunities to serve, please contact mission@christtheking.com.

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Agape Development
- Donate items to their annual Christmas Store, where parents can purchase gifts for their children.
- Contact Amanda Garner: amandag@agapedevelopment.org for wishlist.
- Volunteer to help at their Christmas Store on December 10, 6-8pm.

Cornerstone After School Program @ Christ the King
- Volunteer as a field trip chaperone: Friday, December 18, 12-3pm.
- Contact Amanda Etheredge: amanda@cfmhouston.org.

Freedom Church Alliance
- Gather a group to make GoBags for women, men, or children with basic essentials.
- Digital Outreach Opportunity (ladies only) - volunteer training sessions on the first Wednesday of each month from 1-3pm.
- Contact Stacy Grigg: stacy@freedomchurchalliance.org

Housman Reading Buddies/Mentoring (SBISD)
- Read to a 2nd grade student once a week (Mondays or Tuesdays).
- Mentor a K-5th grade student once a week (flexible)
- Read to a class during their library time (flexible)

Houston Welcomes Refugees
- Volunteer for their Annual Christmas party - assist with set up on Friday, December 4, 10:30-1pm, or help at stations during the party on Saturday, December 5, 1-5pm. (Various shifts available.)

Memorial Assistance Ministries (MAM)
- Donate gift items to their Christmas Share Program.
- Sign up for a shift at the Christmas Store.
- Contact Kathie Hertzog: khartzog@mamhouston.org

Mission to the World (MTW)
- Find a daily time to pray for our Global Mission Partners.
- For a list of partners contact mission@christtheking.com

Star of Hope
- Serve a meal at the Men's or the Women and Family Center (flexible)
- Write notes of encouragement or celebration for the residents.

Yellowstone Schools
- Volunteer at the Senior Thanksgiving Potluck- November 20, 11am-1pm.
- Help distribute Christmas Snacks - December 7, 9:30am-1pm.
- Assist wrapping Christmas gifts - December 15, 9am-1pm.
- Help distribute Christmas gifts to the classrooms - December 17, 1-4pm.

# CARE & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

**Congregational Prayers**
Can we pray for you? Let us know at christtheking.com/care or contact 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.

**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 for more information and to connect with a counselor.

# OUR PASTORS

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.

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| **Stacey Croft** | Pastor, Adult Ministry |
| **Clay Holland** | Pastor, Family Ministry |
| **Alex Martinez** | Pastor, Latino Ministry |
| **John Trapp** | Senior Pastor |
| **Andrés Zelaya** | Pastor of the Latino Initiative & Church Plant Resident |

# MINISTRY BUDGET UPDATE

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| 2026 Ministry Budget | $ | 7,888,564 |
| Received as of 11/15 | $ | 4,463,589 |
| Variance | $ | (3,424,975) |

**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/give.



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