

Romans 8



ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 10, 2026
THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from 2 Corinthians 5

Minister: Let us worship God, who has reconciled us to himself through Christ.

People: We are new creations; the old has gone, the new has come!

Minister: Let us worship God in spirit and in truth.

People: Praise God! We are reconciled, redeemed, renewed!

❖ PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

LOBE DEN HERREN, Stralsund Gesangbuch, Joachim Leander

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty the king of creation
O my soul praise him for he is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near
Join me in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under his wings yea so gently sustaineth
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth

Praise to the Lord who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do
If with his love he befriend thee

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore him
All that has life and breath come now with praises before him
Let the amen sound from his people again
Gladly for e'er we adore him

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Praise be to you, God the Father: You created all things by your power and wisdom and so loved the world that you gave your Son to be our Savior. Praise be to you, God the Son: You became human like us in all things, except sin, died for our offenses, and rose again for our justification. Praise be to you, God the Holy Spirit: You lead us into all truth and spread the love of God in our hearts.

All praise and glory be to you, our God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. Amen.

❖ **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Heidelberg Catechism, #53

Minister: What do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit?

All: First, he, as well as the Father and the Son, is eternal God. Second, he has been given to me personally, so that, by true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his blessings, comforts me, and remains with me forever.

❖ **ALL THINGS NEW AGAIN**

Joe Deegan

For behold he will create
A new heavens and new earth
He will drive away our sorrow and our pain
This momentary grief, though heavy as it seems
Will be crushed by glory's great eternal weight

Chorus:

He will make all things new again

He will keep all his promises

He will love all who come to him

He will make all things new again

For behold the sun will rise
Over wastelands dead and dry
In its place shall spring a river full of life
Every wrong will be undone
Every thirsty soul shall come
And drink from living water without price (*Ch*)
For behold the holy mountain
Where wolf and lamb shall graze
Where we lay our heads and finally find our home
Where the songs we sang in shadows
Will be sung to God's own face
Where his smile will be the thing we treasure most
Oh his smile will be the thing we treasure most (*Ch*)

SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

9:00 am

Lillian Grace Carver

William Robert Carver

Covenant children of Layne and Lee Carver

10:30 am

George Hunt Cire

Covenant child of Ansley and Matt Cire

Jean-François Emmanuel Jeuch

Covenant child of Angela and Sebastien Jeuch

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

I NEED THEE EVERY HOUR

NEED, Annie S. Hawks and Robert Lowry

I need thee ev'ry hour most gracious Lord
No tender voice like thine can peace afford

Refrain:

*I need thee, O I need thee ev'ry hour I need thee
O bless me now my Savior, I come to thee*

I need thee ev'ry hour, stay thou near by
Temptations lose their pow'r when thou art nigh (*Ref*)

I need thee ev'ry hour in joy or pain
Come quickly and abide or life is vain (*Ref*)

I need thee ev'ry hour, teach me thy will
And thy rich promises in me fulfill (*Ref*)

I need thee ev'ry hour Most Holy One
O make me thine indeed thou blessed Son (*Ref*)

+ 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

1 Timothy 1:15

Minister: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. Let us rejoice that Jesus has come for us!

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

THE OFFERING

Paul Brennan

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

“God is at Work”
Romans 8

Rev. John Trapp

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.

GUIDE ME, O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH

Jeremy Casella and William Williams

Guide me O thou great Jehovah
Pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak but thou art mighty
Hold me with thy powerful hand
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore

Open now the crystal fountain
Whence the healing waters flow
Let the fire and cloudy pillar
Lead me all my journey through
Strong Deliverer, be thou still my Strength and Shield
Strong Deliverer, be thou still my Strength and Shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan
Bid my anxious fears subside
Death of death and hell's destruction
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Songs of praises, I will ever give to thee
Songs of praises, I will ever give to thee

Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears goodbye
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears goodbye

HEAL US

William Cowper, Lucas Morton, and Kevin Twit

Chorus:
*Heal us, Emmanuel here we are
We long to feel thy touch
Deep wounded souls to thee we fly
O Savior hear our cry*

Our faith is feeble, we confess
We faintly trust thy Word
But will you pity us the less
Be that far from you Lord (*Ch*)

Remember him who once applied
With trembling for relief
Lord I believe with tears he cried
O help my unbelief (*Ch*)

She, too who touched you in the press
And healing virtue stole
Was answered, Daughter go in peace
Thy faith has made thee whole (*Ch*)

Like her with hopes and fears we come
To touch you if we may
O send us not despairing home
Send none unhealed away (*Ch 2x*)

❖ **BENEDICTION**

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Minister: May our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and by his grace gave us eternal encouragement and good hope, encourage your hearts and strengthen you in every good deed and word.

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

Sam Cornelius	<i>guitar</i>
Stacey Croft	<i>liturgy</i>
Joe Deegan	<i>guitar & vocals</i>
Conrad Guthrie	<i>bass</i>
Travis Henthorn	<i>drums</i>
Natalie Mann	<i>violin</i>
Alex Martinez	<i>liturgy</i>
Katie Reyes	<i>vocals</i>
John Trapp	<i>sermon</i>
Steven Wiggs	<i>cello</i>
Jenny Yang	<i>piano</i>

Audio/Visual Team

María Cavanaugh	<i>Spanish translation</i>
Namath Naif	<i>technical director</i>
Alex Rollo	<i>camera</i>
Arjan Voogt	<i>projections</i>
Natalie Voogt	<i>video director</i>
Joe Bill Whittenburg	<i>camera</i>

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*Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today.
For a full list of upcoming events,
please visit christtheking.com.*

Sunday Morning at Christ the King

9:00 am

Worship Service

Nursery Care

8 weeks - PreK

Children's Worship

K-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

Nursery Care

8 weeks - 1 year

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)

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

Theology 101

Our Sunday Morning Classes are exploring foundational theological and cultural questions for our church. You'll hear teaching from our pastors on a range of topics rooted in Scripture and relevant to everyday life. Join us as we grow together in understanding and faith.

Upcoming Events

5/17	Student Ministry Family Trivia Night	5:00 - 7:00 pm	The Great Hall
5/21	Made with Love Meal Prep	9:30 am or 6:30 pm	The Kitchen
5/31	College Sunday School Class Starts	10:30 am	Room A300
6/3	Churchwide VBS Workday	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Christ the King
6/5 - 6/6	Membership Class		
6/9	Women's Summer Salad Supper	7:00 - 9:00 pm	The Great Hall
8/28 - 8/30	Church Camp		Camp Cho-Yeh



The Capital Campaign

You've probably been hearing a lot about our capital campaign—and for good reason! We're hoping to meet with every household in the church as we step together into what God has ahead for Christ the King. If you're curious and want to learn more, visit christtheking.com/capital-campaign. We're excited about what's ahead, and we'd love for you to be part of it.



Student Ministry Trivia Night

May 17, 5:00 - 7:00 pm, The Great Hall

Student Ministry families, join us for a fun night of trivia, dinner, and fun! Parents, don't worry if you can't make it—send your students anyway, and we'll make sure they're part of a great team. Sign up today at christtheking.com/students.



College Students Sunday School

May 31 - June 28, 10:30 am, Room A300

College students are invited to join us this summer for fellowship, conversation, and biblical teaching in our College Sunday School Class. Whether you're in Houston year-round or just home for the summer, we'd love to have you with us.



Church Camp

August 28-30, Camp Cho-Yeh

Come join us for a weekend to step away from the noise of everyday life and enjoy time together as a church family. You can expect a great mix of meaningful teaching, time to rest, and plenty of fun for everyone, no matter your stage of life. Register at christtheking.com/church-camp.

Care at Christ the King

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.

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.

Stacey Croft
Clay Holland
Alex Martinez
John Trapp
Andrés Zelaya

Pastor, Adult Ministry
Pastor, Family Ministry
Pastor, Latino Ministry
Senior Pastor
Pastor of the Latino Initiative & Church Plant Resident

Ministry Budget Update

2026 Ministry Budget	\$	7,888,564
Budgeted through 5/03	\$	2,679,135
Received as of 5/03	\$	1,648,769
Variance	\$	(1,030,366)

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.



SUMMER SERVING

Christ the King partners with local ministries and organizations who strengthen our community and share the gospel. For a list of all our Mission Partners and upcoming serving opportunities, scan the QR code to visit our website, christtheking.com/serve-the-city.



Agape Development - Help as a Camp Agape assistant, serve camp breakfast, lunches, and snacks, or lead a Camp Agape short course. (June 15 - July 16).

Freedom Church Alliance - Women are invited to volunteer for Digital Outreach on the first Wednesday of each month from 1:00-3:00 pm at Christ Presbyterian Church (8300 Katy Freeway, Houston, TX 77024). Email stacy@freedomchurchalliance.org.

Houston Welcomes Refugees - Prepare a refresh kit, be part of the welcome team, or help provide and deliver weekly groceries! (times vary based on your schedule)

Made with Love - Join us in the Christ the King Kitchen on the 3rd Thursday of the month (July 17 and August 15) for our meal preparation days either at 9:30 am or 6:30 pm. No cooking experience necessary!

Memorial Assistance Ministry - Help in the resale store and warehouse, teach ESL classes (at CTK), be a small business coach, or help with various administrative tasks! (days and times vary). Restock Workday: May 17 and August 23 from 1-4pm.

Prestige Learning Institute- Equip, educate and empower our refugee and immigrant clients as teachers and classroom helpers. May 21 -June 18, Tuesday-Thursday.

Choose 1 of 3 options: Women's classes: 9:30-11:30am, 12:30-2:30pm. Men's classes: 3-5pm.

Volunteer orientation: May 18, 6:30-8:30pm.

Questions and sign-up to volunteer@prestigeinstitute.org.

Star of Hope - Organize/pack backpacks, serve a meal, make sack lunches, hurricane kits, housewarming gift baskets, hope bags, notes of encouragement, and more! (days and times vary).