



ORDER OF WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 12, 2023
THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from 1 Timothy 1

Leader: Let us praise our God and King!

**People: To the King eternal, immortal, invisible,
the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever!**

❖ YOUR GREAT NAME WE PRAISE

Bob Kauffman and Walter Chalmers Smith

Immortal, invisible God only wise
In light inaccessible, hid from our eyes
Most holy, most glorious, the Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious, your great name we praise

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light
Not wanting or wasting you rule us in might
Your justice like mountains high soaring above
Your clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

Chorus:

*Most holy, most glorious, the Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious, your great name we praise*

All life comes from you Lord to both great and small
In all life you live Lord the true life of all
We blossom and flourish but quickly grow frail
We wither and perish but you never fail

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light
Your angels adore you, all veiling their sight
All praise we would render O Father of grace
Till one day in splendor we see face to face (*Ch*)

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Creed of Eusebius

Leader: We believe in God the Father Almighty,

People: Maker of all things visible and invisible.

Leader: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Word of God,

**People: God of God, Light of Light, Life of Life,
the only-begotten Son, the first-born of every creature,
begotten of God the Father before all ages,
by whom all things were made;
who for our salvation was made flesh
and made his home among men; and suffered;
and rose on the third day; and ascended to the Father.**

Leader: We believe also in one Holy Spirit.

**People: We believe that each of these is and exists:
The Father truly Father, and the Son truly Son,
and the Holy Spirit truly Holy Spirit.**

Leader: As our Lord, when sending forth his disciples, said:

**People: Go and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**

❖ IS HE WORTHY?

Andrew Peterson and Ben Shive

Do you feel the world is broken? **(We do.)**
Do you feel the shadows deepen? **(We do.)**
But do you know that all the dark won't stop
The light from getting through? **(We do.)**
Do you wish that you could see It all made new? **(We do.)**

Is all creation groaning? **(It is.)**
Is a new creation coming? **(It is.)**
Is the glory of the Lord to be
The light within our midst? **(It is.)**
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? **(It is.)**

***Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave—
He is David's root and the Lamb who died
To ransom the slave.***

***Is he worthy? Is he worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory.
Is he worthy of this? He is!***

Does the Father truly love us? **(He does.)**
Does the Spirit move among us? **(He does.)**
And does Jesus, our Messiah
Hold forever those he loves? **(He does.)**
Does our God intend to dwell again with us? **(He does.)**

***Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave—
He is David's root and the Lamb who died
To ransom the slave.***

***From every people and tribe, every nation and tongue.
He has made us a kingdom and priests to God
To reign with his Son.***

***Is he worthy? Is he worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory.
Is he worthy? Is he worthy? Is he worthy of this?
He is! Is he worthy? Is he worthy? He is! He is!***

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

LORD HAVE MERCY (FOR WHAT WE HAVE DONE)

Aaron Keyes, James Tealy, Matt Boswell, and Matt Papa

For what we have done and left undone
We fall on your countless mercies
For sins that are known and those unknown
We call on your name so holy
For envy and pride for closing our eyes
For scorning our very neighbor
In thought word and deed we've failed you our King
How deeply we need a Savior

Chorus:

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us*

For what you have done your life of love
You perfectly lived we praise you
Though tempted and tried you fixed your eyes
You finished the work God gave you
And there on the tree a King among thieves
You bled for a world's betrayal
You loved to the end our merciful friend
How pure and forever faithful (*Ch*)

For hearts that are cold for seizing control
For scorning our very Maker
In thought word and deed we've failed you our King
How deeply we need a Savior (*Ch 2x*)

✚ SILENT CONFESSION

*Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us
Lord have mercy, Christ have mercy
Lord have mercy on us*

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD

Hebrews 4:15-16

Leader: Because we have a high priest who can sympathize with our weaknesses, we can approach the throne of grace with confidence to receive mercy and find grace.

In Christ, our sins are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

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

People: And also with you!

THE OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING

Revelation 5:1-14, p. 1030
El Apocalipsis 5:1-14, p. 1707

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

“The Lamb Is Worthy”
Revelation

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.

*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.

Oración de buscar la verdad

Señor Jesús, tú afirmas ser el camino, la verdad y la vida. Si lo que afirmas es cierto, por favor guíame, enséñame y ábreme la realidad de quién eres. Concédeme que podría no desanimarme por el costo de seguirte mientras considero las razones para hacerlo. Dame una comprensión de ti que sea coherente, convincente y que conduzca a la vida que prometes. Amén.

Oración de Creencia

Señor Jesús, admito que soy más débil y más pecador de lo que nunca antes creía, pero a través de ti, soy más amado y aceptado de lo que nunca me atreví a esperar. Te agradezco por pagar mi deuda, llevar mi castigo en la cruz y ofrecer perdón y nueva vida. Sabiendo que has resucitado entre los muertos, me aparto de mis pecados y te recibo como mi Salvador. Amén.

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

VILLE DU HAVRE, Philip P. Bliss and Horatio G. Spafford

When peace, like a river attendeth my way
When sorrows like sea billows roll
Whatever my lot thou hast taught me to say
It is well, it is well with my soul

Chorus:

*It is well (it is well) with my soul (with my soul)
It is well, it is well with my soul*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come
Let this blest assurance control
That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate
And hath shed his own blood for my soul (Ch)

My sin, oh the bliss of this glorious thought
My sin, not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord O my soul (Ch)

And Lord haste the day when the faith shall be sight
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend
Even so it is well with my soul (Ch 2x)

❖ ALWAYS FAITHFUL

Joe Deegan

You are constant in each season
Unchanging as the sun
Through the valley of the shadow
You will not abandon us

Chorus:

You are faithful, you are faithful

You are always good to us

We will never, we will never

Exhaust your steadfast love

You are faithful to us

You are gentle, you are tender

Toward the one who leaves your side

Still you call us to remember

You will never leave your bride

For our Keeper does not slumber

Does not sleep nor leave his post

When we've strayed, when we've wandered

You have sought and brought us home (*Ch*)

Mercy follows, mercy finds us

Mercy runs with open arms

Mercy holds us, mercy shows us

The devoted heart of God (*Ch 2x*)

❖ **ACCLAMATION & BENEDICTION** ❖

1 Timothy 1:17

Minister: To the King eternal, immortal, invisible,
the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever.

People: Praise be to our God and King.

Minister: May the Lord bless you and keep you.

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

<i>Joe Beam</i>	<i>drums</i>
<i>Daniel Campbell</i>	<i>keyboard & vocals</i>
<i>Joe Deegan</i>	<i>guitar & vocals</i>
<i>Paul Duffin</i>	<i>electric guitar</i>
<i>Bonnie & Ryan Greene</i>	<i>reading</i>
<i>Conrad Guthrie</i>	<i>bass</i>
<i>Michelle Hays</i>	<i>violin</i>
<i>Clay Holland</i>	<i>liturgy</i>
<i>Kyle Pounds</i>	<i>prayer</i>
<i>John Trapp</i>	<i>sermon</i>
<i>Steven Wiggs</i>	<i>cello</i>

Audio/Visual Team

<i>John Bard</i>	<i>video director</i>
<i>Reese Dowiak</i>	<i>camera</i>
<i>Matt Dreyer</i>	<i>projections</i>
<i>Ozzie Fong</i>	<i>camera</i>
<i>Billie McKee</i>	<i>camera</i>
<i>Namath Naif</i>	<i>technical director</i>

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Sunday Morning at Christ the King

9:00 am

Worship Service

Nursery Care

Infant - 4 years

Children's Worship

K-2nd grade

Children will be dismissed from the worship service.

Adult Sunday Morning Class

(3rd Floor)

10:30 am

Worship Service

Nursery Care

Infant - 1 years

Sunday School

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

Student Ministry

6th - 12th grade
(3rd floor)

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

(3rd Floor)

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

9:00 am

The Gospel of Mark

Room A300, through December 17

Who is Jesus? Why did he come to earth? The Gospel of Mark was written to answer these questions. It depicts a Jesus of good news—and urgent challenge. The clever author of this gospel masterfully weaves together episodes that encourage attentive reading, especially if we want to understand more about the audience that first heard this book. Understood to be the earliest of the four canonical gospels, Mark offers an uncluttered yet vivid narrative. This story of good news, challenge, and literary delight makes the Gospel of Mark a wonderful book to study in community.

10:30 am

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Basic Training

Room A300, through November 19

Have you ever wondered, “What does Christ the King believe about that?” In the Basic Training class we delve deeper into Christ the King's mission principles, theological convictions, and philosophy of ministry. This class is required for leadership in the church and we encourage every member to attend.

Upcoming Events

Tonight	Stories & Songs	5:00 pm	The Great Hall
11/15	Midweek Prayer	12:00 - 12:30 pm	The Sanctuary
11/16	Made with Love Meal Prep	9:30 am and 6:30 pm	The Kitchen
11/16	Care Connect: Chronic & Longterm Illness	7:00 - 8:30 pm	The Trinity Room
11/30	Women's Christmas Dinner	7:00 pm	The Great Hall
11/19 & 1/20	Building Brave Families Conference	Fri: 6:00 - 8:00 pm Sat: 9:00 - 11:00 am	The Sanctuary



Stories & Songs

TONIGHT! November 12, 5:00 pm, The Great Hall

All ages are invited to join us for a time of singing hymns, learning new songs, and enjoying community together with hot chocolate and wassail. This year's Stories & Songs will be centered around Advent, a season of joyful expectation. Over the past year, artists at Christ the King have been crafting new songs and visual art to help guide our community through Advent. We will be releasing the Advent Devotional along with new music at the event.



Midweek Prayer

November 15, 12:00 - 12:30 pm, The Sanctuary

Next Wednesday will be our last gathering until we start back again after the holidays. Everyone is invited to join us on Wednesday at noon when our church gathers for 30 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. We hope that you will join us.



Made With Love Meal Prep

November 16, 9:30 am or 6:30 pm, The Christ the King Kitchen

Join us as we put together meals for our community. No cooking experience required, ages 14+. Bring a friend or neighbor, come with your son or daughter. It is a wonderful time of fellowship and fun. Space in the kitchen is limited, so sign up today at christtheking.com/serve-the-city.



Care Connect

November 16, 7:00 pm, The Trinity Room

If you are walking through longterm or chronic illness, we want you to know that you are not alone. Join us for an evening of fellowship and prayer with others who have walked through a similar season. Please RSVP to Catherine Duffin or reach out if you have questions about this gathering at catherine.duffin@christtheking.com.



Women's Christmas Dinner

November 30, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, The Great Hall

Join the Women of Christ the King for a night to rejoice together as we prepare our hearts for Christmas and kick off the Advent season! Sign up today at christtheking.com/women.



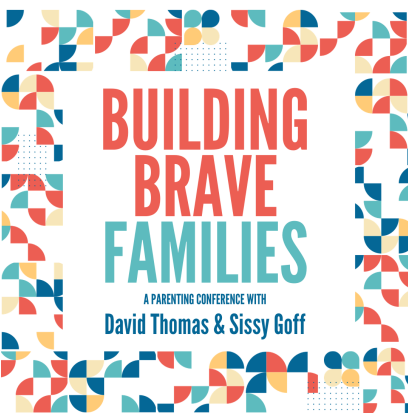
Christmas Eve Services

Sunday, December 24

Invite your friends, family and neighbors to join us on Christmas Eve.

Sunday Morning Services:
9:00 & 10:30 am

Christmas Eve Services:
2:30, 4:00 & 5:30 pm



Building Brave Families Conference

We are excited to welcome David Thomas and Sissy Goff to Christ the King. They will host two sessions:

Raising Worry-Free Kids

Friday, January 19, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

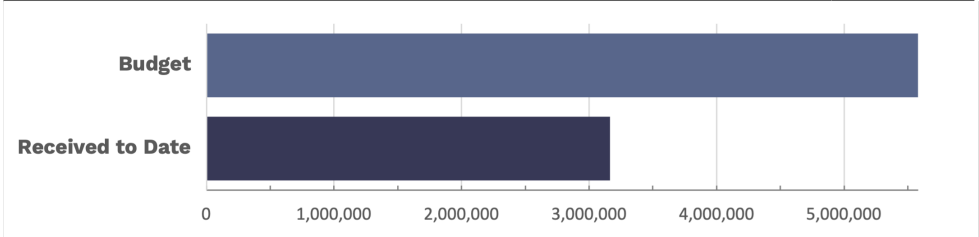
Worry-Free Parents

Saturday, January 20, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Register today at the table on Main Street!

Ministry Budget Update

2023 Ministry Budget	\$ 5,580,000
Received as of 11/05	\$ 3,165,113
Variance	\$ (2,414,887)



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.



Mission Partner Spotlight

East Spring Branch Food Pantry

The East Spring Branch Food Pantry located at Westview and Wirt has been serving our local community since 1980, by providing food free of cost to individuals and families in urgent need. This completely volunteer-run food pantry has approximately 150 volunteers that help stock shelves, purchase produce, assist clients, and organize and maintain the food and other items. The pantry also provides meals to Adult Protective Services for their distribution to seniors and those who are disabled that are in need. If you are interested in learning more about how you can serve the East Spring Branch Food Pantry please reach out to Pam Smelley, Pantry Director, at info@eastspringbranchfoodpantry.com.

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/.

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