

Romans 8



ORDER OF WORSHIP

MAY 3, 2026
THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 40

Minister: I waited patiently for the LORD; he turned to me and heard my cry.

People: He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; he set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

Minister: He put a new song in my mouth, a hymn of praise to our God.

People: Many will see and fear and put their trust in the LORD.

❖ HAIL TO THE LORD'S ANOINTED

Sandra McCracken and James Montgomery

Chorus:

Hail to the Lord's Anointed, great David's greater Son

Hail in the time appointed, his reign on earth begun

His reign on earth begun

He comes to break oppression, to set the captive free
To take away transgression and rule in equity (*Ch*)

He comes with comfort speedy to those who suffer wrong
To help the poor and needy and bid the weak be strong

To give them songs for sighing, their darkness turn to light
Whose souls condemned and dying were precious in his sight (*Ch*)

He shall come down like showers upon the fruitful earth
Love, joy, and hope, like flowers spring in his path to birth

The tide of time shall never his covenant remove
His Name shall stand forever, that Name to us is Love (*Ch*)

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

O God of all creation, you alone are God. And you alone can satisfy our longing for a support that earth cannot give and that heaven will not take away. Help us, in recognition of our common dependence on you, to acknowledge our need of one another. Let our unity in worship make us one in love and service. In the Name of Jesus we pray. 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.

❖ **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

SENIOR TESTIMONY

Ellen Klare Brown
Audrey Hinton (9:00)
Matson Dowiak (10:30)

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Mary Frances McWilliams (9:00)
Jeb Lou (10:30)

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

Heavenly Father, we confess that despite what we may try to present to the world, we are a hurting and broken people; we are still in need of your renewing grace.

Forgive us for the sins that we try to hide and for our drive to hide them. Help us to be quick to confess, quick to turn to you for forgiveness. We pray this in Jesus' name, Amen.

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD

Psalms 145:13-14

Minister: The LORD is faithful in all his words, and gracious in all his deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

People: **Thanks be to God!**

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

People: **And also with you!**

THE OFFERING

Joe Deegan

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

“The Wait for Glory”
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.

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

Brian Moss and Samuel John Stone

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is his new creation by water and the Word
From heaven he came and sought her to be his holy bride
With his own blood he bought her and for her life he died

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation one Lord, one faith, one birth
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses, with every grace ended

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blessed,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union with God the three in one,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy, Lord give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly on high may dwell with thee

INDESCRIBABLE

Laura Story & Jesse Reeves

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing your majesty
From the colors of Fall to the fragrance of Spring
Ev'ry creature unique in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

Chorus:

*Indescribable, uncontainable
You placed the stars in the sky
And you know them by name
You are amazing God*

*All powerful, untamable
Awestruck we fall to our knees
As we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God*

Who has told ev'ry lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night
None can fathom (*Ch*)

*You are amazing God
You are amazing God (*Ch*)*

*Incomparable, unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart
And you love me the same
You are amazing God*

❖ **BENEDICTION**

from 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 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

Sam Cornelius	<i>guitar</i>
Joe Deegan	<i>piano</i>
Quin Gomez-Wright	<i>guitar</i>
Conrad Guthrie	<i>bass</i>
Michelle Hays	<i>violin</i>
Travis Henthorn	<i>drums</i>
Clay Holland	<i>liturgy</i>
Diego Oliver	<i>scripture reading</i>
Katie Reyes	<i>vocals</i>
Nate Sartelle	<i>announcements</i>
Robert Steveken	<i>guitar & vocals</i>
John Trapp	<i>sermon</i>
Mary Helen Turner	<i>scripture reading</i>
Steven Wiggs	<i>cello</i>

Audio/Visual Team

Phil Betti	<i>video director</i>
Paul Brennan	<i>projections</i>
Ozzie Fong	<i>camera</i>
Alex Martinez	<i>Spanish translation</i>
Namath Naif	<i>technical director</i>
Alex Rollo	<i>camera</i>
Pook Saudale	<i>camera</i>

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.

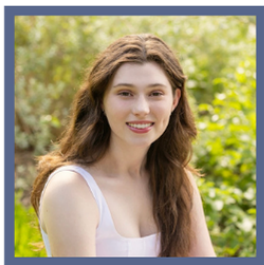
Choose 1 of 3 options: Women's classes: 9:30-11:30am, 12:30-2:30pm. Men's classes: 3-5pm.

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).

HIGH SCHOOL *Seniors*



Sophia Andrew
Memorial High School



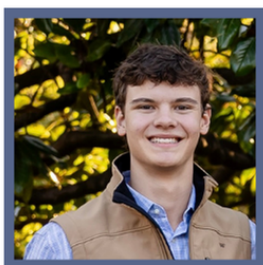
Ellen Klare Brown
Second Baptist School



Sam Brown
Gateway Academy



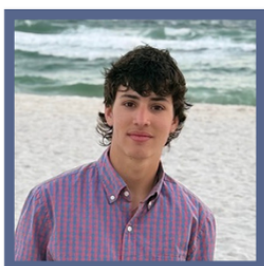
Matson Dowiak
Waltrip High School



Quin Gomez-Wright
Classical Conversations
Academy



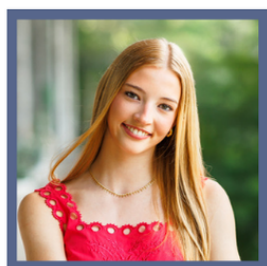
Audrey Hinton
Duchesne Academy



Kenny Johnston
Trinity Classical School



Jeb Lou
Memorial High School



**Mary Frances
McWilliams**
Stratford High School



Diego Oliver
Stratford High School



Paige Parcus
St. Agnes Academy



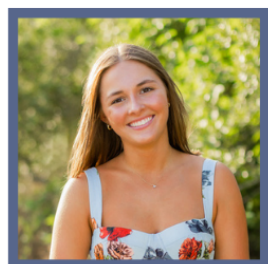
Nate Sartelle
Memorial High School



Ross Saunders
The Kinkaid School



Robert Steviken
Heights High School



Mary Helen Turner
Memorial High School



William Webster
Memorial High School

College Graduates

Julia Ashby, Texas A&M University

Sam Bakht, The University of Texas at Austin

Abby Bennett, Emerson College

Naomi Dewhurst, Texas A&M University

John Duren, Texas A&M University

Emilia Fong, The University of Texas at Austin

Peter Saudale, Texas A&M University

Laura Saunders, Texas A&M University

Lainey Sims, University of Arkansas



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.

Capital Campaign Budget	\$ 50,000,000
Pledged as of 4/28	\$ 39,092,710
Variance	\$ 10,907,290



Brunch Para Damas

9 de mayo, 10:00 am - 12:00 pm, El Gran Salón

Te invitamos a un espacio de conexión, ánimo y comunidad con otras mujeres. Este evento es para festejar no solo a las madres pero a todas las damas. ¡Invita a tus amigas, vecinas y familiares! Disfrutaremos de: música, un mensaje bíblico práctico, delicioso brunch y premios. También contaremos con cuidado de niños. Regístrese en christtheking.com/latino-ministry.



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.



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.

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)

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 4/26	\$	2,530,294
Received as of 4/26	\$	1,599,668
Variance	\$	(930,626)

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.

