



MARK

ORDER OF WORSHIP

AUGUST 23, 2026
THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Minister: Come to the Lord, who is rich in grace; approach our God, who is full of mercy.

People: We will praise God with all our heart and glorify the name of the Most High forever.

❖ ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS NAME

CORONATION, Edward Parronet & Oliver Holden

All hail the power of Jesus' name, let angels prostrate fall
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all
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Ye seed of Israel's chosen race, ye ransomed of the fall
Hail him who saves you by his grace, and crown him Lord of all
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Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all
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O that with yonder sacred throng, we at his feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all
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❖ 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

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.

❖ O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

George Matheson and Christopher Miner

O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in thee
I give thee back the life I owe
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be

O light that followest all my way
I yield my flickering torch to thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in thy sunshines blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

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

+ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us.

Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing your will. Amen.

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD

Hebrews 4:15-16

Minister: Jesus was tempted in every way that we are, yet he was without sin. 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!**

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

People: **And also with you!**

BUILDING TOWARD THE PROMISE

Charles and Jana Fay Bacarisse

THE OFFERING

Band Quartet

SCRIPTURE READING

Mark 1:9-13
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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

“The King’s Inauguration”

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.

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.

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
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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
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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**

Minister: May the blessing of the Holy Trinity,
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

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		Audio/Visual Team	
Tim Brown	<i>piano</i>	Ozzie Fong	<i>camera</i>
Emily Cagle	<i>vocals</i>	Colby Hodges	<i>video director</i>
Sam Cornelius	<i>guitar</i>	Kyunghee Kim	<i>projections</i>
Stacey Croft	<i>liturgy</i>	Namath Naif	<i>technical director</i>
Joe Deegan	<i>guitar & vocals</i>	Alex Rollo	<i>camera</i>
Conrad Guthrie	<i>bass</i>	Joe Bill Whittenburg	<i>camera</i>
Michelle Hays	<i>violin</i>		
Travis Henthorn	<i>drums</i>		
Alex Martinez	<i>liturgy</i>		
John Trapp	<i>sermon</i>		
Steven Wiggs	<i>cello</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 - 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

Live 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)

Upcoming Events

Tonight	3D Kick-Off Party	5:30 - 6:45 pm	Christ the King
8/24	Moonwalk Madness	9:30 - 11:30 am	Christ the King
8/28-8/30	Church Camp		Camp Cho Yeh
8/30	No Sunday School (children through adults)		
9/4	Building Toward the Promise Day of Prayer & Fasting		
9/8	Men's Breakfast	6:30 - 7:30 am	The Great Hall
9/10	Women's Fall Kickoff Bingo	6:30 - 8:30 pm	Christ the King
9/13	Kindergarten Family Lunch	11:45 am - 1:00 pm	The Playgrounds
9/13	Student Ministry Fall Kickoff & Parent Meeting	5:30 - 7:00 pm	Christ the King



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



Bible Studies

Daniel is filled with memorable stories, but we miss the point if we pay more attention to Daniel's story than to Daniel's God. This 10-week study reveals the sovereign Lord of history, whose everlasting kingdom is fulfilled in Jesus Christ. Register at christtheking.com/bible-studies.



Member to Member Care Team

Our Member-to-Member Care Team is a simple, but meaningful way to love our church family. Whether it's through providing a meal or writing a note of encouragement, your kindness can remind someone that they are not alone. Sign up at christtheking.com/care.



Community Groups

Community Groups meet in homes throughout Houston and are one of the primary ways people build relationships and care for one another at Christ the King. Each group has its own rhythm, but some share meals, discuss sermons, and pray together. Sign up today!



No Sunday School

August 30

With many in our church family attending Church Camp, we will take a break from Sunday School classes for children, students, and adults on August 30. Children's Worship will also not be offered. We look forward to resuming our regular Sunday morning schedule the following week!



3D Kick-Off Party

August 23, 5:30 - 6:45 pm, Christ the King

All 3rd graders are invited to a fun evening of minute-to-win-it games, pizza, ice cream and tie-dye fun! Come spend time with old friends, meet new ones, and kick off the new school year!



Moonwalk Madness

August 24, 9:30 - 11:30 am, Christ the King

Celebrate the end of summer at Moonwalk Madness! Families with children ages 5 and under are invited for bouncy houses, crafts, snacks, and lots of fun. Bring your friends and neighbors for an easy, joyful way to spend time together and introduce them to CTK!



Men's Breakfast

September 8, 6:30 - 7:30 am, Christ the King

Looking for a simple way to connect with other men at Christ the King? Join us for the Men's Breakfast—a time to share a meal, be encouraged by God's Word, and enjoy conversation and fellowship. Invite a friend, neighbor, or coworker and join us!



Women's Fall Kickoff

September 10, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, Christ the King

Kick off the fall with Women's Ministry! Join us for a fun evening of Bingo, time with friends, and a chance to connect with other women as we begin a new ministry year together. Invite a friend or neighbor and come join us!



Student Ministry Kickoff

September 13, 5:30 - 7:00 pm, Christ the King

Welcome back! Parents and students are invited to kick off the fall together! We will have dinner and worship, followed by a meeting for parents and games and fun for students. Join us as we start a new year of Student Ministry and look ahead to what's coming this fall.

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. Meeting with us is simply an opportunity to learn more about the campaign, not a commitment to make a pledge. If you already know you'd like to participate, making your pledge now helps us plan wisely for the exciting future God is building here at CTK.

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	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

2026 Ministry Budget	\$	7,888,564
Budgeted through 8/16	\$	4,911,747
Received as of 8/16	\$	3,018,827
Variance	\$	(1,892,920)

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.



PRAY. GO. SERVE.

Where is God inviting you to love our city this year?

AGAPE DEVELOPMENT

- Backyard Bible Club After School Assistant (K-5th grade)-Spend one afternoon a week helping with homework, at chapel, and with other activities.

CORNERSTONE AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM @ CHRIST THE KING

- After School Enrichment Program (K-5th grade)-Volunteer one afternoon at Christ the King to help with homework, projects, and games.

HOUSMAN READING BUDDIES/MENTORING (SBISD)

- Read to a 2nd grade student once a week (Mondays or Tuesdays).
- Enjoy lunch with a K-5th grade student once a week.

HOUSTON WELCOMES REFUGEES

- Join a Welcome Team
- Deliver Emergency Groceries (time flexible)

MEMORIAL ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES @ CHRIST THE KING

- ESL Instructor- 2 needed for Monday & Wednesday evenings and 3 needed for Tuesday & Thursday evenings at Christ the King (6:30-8:30pm, training & materials provided)

PRESTIGE LEARNING INSTITUTE

- Volunteer for Fall programming including ESL Instructor/Assistant, Men's & Women's Community Gatherings and the After-School Program

STAR OF HOPE

- Serve a meal at the Men's or the Women and Family Center (flexible)

WORK FAITH

- Help with mock interviews (can be done in person or from a computer. Training and scripts are provided.) (Thursdays, 12:30-2:00pm)

YELLOWSTONE SCHOOLS

- Lunch Buddy-Enjoy lunch with a student once a week
- Tutor-Support students with their school work once a week

There are many ways to love and serve our city this fall, with opportunities for every age. Together, we can live out our mission of **reaching Houston for Christ and renewing lives by grace** as we serve our neighbors and care for our city.

Visit our website to learn more about our Mission Partners.

