



# ORDER OF WORSHIP

NOVEMBER 19, 2023  
THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

## ❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 95

Leader: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;  
let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

People: **Let us come before him with thanksgiving  
and extol him with music and song!**

## ❖ COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

MADRID, Traditional Spanish melody, Christian H. Bateman

Come Christians join to sing alleluia, amen  
Loud praise to Christ our King, alleluia, amen  
Let all with heart and voice before his throne rejoice  
Praise is his gracious choice, alleluia, amen

Come lift your hearts on high, alleluia, amen  
Let praises fill the sky, alleluia, amen  
He is our Guide and Friend, to us he'll condescend  
His love shall never end, alleluia, amen

Praise yet our Christ again, alleluia, amen  
Life shall not end the strain, alleluia, amen  
On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore  
Singing forevermore alleluia, amen

Alleluia, amen, alleluia, amen

## ❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

### ❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Scots' Confession, Chapter 1

We confess and acknowledge one God alone,  
to whom alone we must cleave,  
whom alone we must serve, whom only we must worship,  
and in whom alone we put our trust.

He is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible,  
omnipotent, invisible, one in substance and yet distinct  
in three persons: the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

By him we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,  
visible and invisible, to have been created,  
to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided  
by his inscrutable providence for such end as his  
eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed  
and to the manifestation of his own glory.

## ❖ ONLY A HOLY GOD

Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Dustin Smith, and Michael Farren

Who else commands all the hosts of heaven  
Who else can make every king bow down  
Who else can whisper and darkness trembles  
Only a holy God

What other beauty demands such praises  
What other splendor outshines the sun  
What other majesty rules with justice  
Only a holy God

*Chorus:*

*Come and behold him, the one and the only  
Cry out, sing holy, forever a holy God  
Come and worship the holy God*

What other glory consumes like fire  
What other power can raise the dead  
What other name remains undefeated  
Only a holy God (*Ch 2x*)

Who else could rescue me from my failing  
Who else would offer his only Son  
Who else invites me to call him Father  
Only a holy God, only my holy God (*Ch 2x*)

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

9:00 SERVICE

Logan Monroe Gill

Covenant child of Andrew and Meghan

Pippa Laine Trifone

Matilda "Tilly" Belle Trifone

Covenant children of Mark & Audrey

10:30 SERVICE

Tiger Owen Easley

Covenant child of Peyton and Grace

Thomas "Tommy" George Morgan

Covenant child of Bobby and Georgia

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

## MORE THAN WE KNOW

Joe Deegan

When we walk through the desert for forty years straight  
It may feel like the Lord doesn't care  
But the manna that feeds us day after day  
Is the proof that he's always been there  
It's the proof that he's always been there

*Chorus:*

*The Lord loves his children more than we know  
All that he does, he does to show  
That he'll never forsake us, he'll never let go  
The Lord loves his children more than we know*

When we stare down that giant standing so tall  
As he's marching toward us on the field  
The Lord sends his champion to fight for us all  
And his children need only be still  
His children need only be still (*Ch*)

When the hour grows dark, he closes his eyes  
And our Savior breathes his last breath  
He pierces the darkness, he comes back to life  
So his children don't have to fear death  
His children don't have to fear death (*Ch*)

## ✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O glorious and gracious God, God of peace,  
Father of mercy, God of all comfort:  
we confess before you the evil of our hearts;  
we acknowledge that we are too inclined toward anger,  
jealousy, and revenge, to ambition and pride,  
which often give rise to discord. Too often have we  
thus both offended and grieved you, O long-suffering Father.

Forgive us our sins and permit us to partake  
of the blessing you have promised the peacemakers,  
who shall be called the children of God.  
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

## ❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD

from Romans 8

Leader: The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit  
that we are children of God, and if children,  
then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ.  
Through Christ, our brother, your 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 6, 8:1-5, p. 1031  
El Apocalipsis 6, 8:1-5, p. 1708

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### THE SERMON

“The Seals Opened”  
*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.*

## AMAZING GRACE

AMAZING GRACE, Traditional American melody, John Newton

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils and snares  
I have already come

'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home

The Lord has promised good to me  
His Word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

And when this flesh and heart shall fail  
And mortal life shall cease  
I shall possess within the veil  
A life of joy and peace

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we've first begun

## ❖ 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*)

## ❖ BENEDICTION

from 2 Thessalonians

**Minister:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

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

## ❖ DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDRETH, 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>Daniel Campbell</i>	<i>keyboard &amp; vocals</i>
<i>Joe Deegan</i>	<i>guitar &amp; vocals</i>
<i>Sam Cornelius</i>	<i>electric guitar</i>
<i>Conrad Guthrie</i>	<i>bass</i>
<i>Michelle Hays</i>	<i>violin</i>
<i>Travis Henthorn</i>	<i>drums</i>
<i>Clay Holland</i>	<i>liturgy</i>
<i>Tofe Alimi</i>	<i>reading</i>
<i>Katie Reyes</i>	<i>vocals</i>
<i>John Trapp</i>	<i>sermon</i>
<i>Steven Wiggs</i>	<i>cello</i>

### Audio/Visual Team

<i>John Bard</i>	<i>video direction</i>
<i>Zach Day</i>	<i>audio</i>
<i>Adam Holt</i>	<i>projections</i>
<i>Namath Naif</i>	<i>technical director</i>
<i>Pook Saudale</i>	<i>camera</i>
<i>Alex Rollo</i>	<i>camera</i>
<i>Joe Bill Whittenburg</i>	<i>camera</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**

**The Gospel of Mark**

*The Redeemer Room, through December 17*

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## Upcoming Events

11/30	Women's Christmas Dinner	7:00 pm	The Great Hall
12/3	The 1st Sunday of Advent		
12/3	Traveling Table Lunch	12:30 pm	1370 Afton St or 1118 Coldstream Rd
12/3	Student Ministry Sunday Nights	5:30 - 7:00 pm	Christ the King
12/3	Young Adults Christmas Party	7:00 pm	13311 Perthshire
12/8	Children's Ministry Christmas Party	9:30 - 11:30 am	The Great Hall
12/14	College Students Winter Break Gathering	7:00 pm	
12/17	College Students Sunday Morning Class Begins	10:30 am	Room A301
12/24	Christmas Eve Services	2:30, 4:00 & 5:30 pm	The Sanctuary
1/10	Midweek Prayer	12:00 - 12:30 pm	The Sanctuary
1/19 & 1/20	Building Brave Families Conference	Fri: 6:00 - 8:00 pm Sat: 9:00 - 11:00 am	The Sanctuary



### Christmas Poinsettias

Honor and remember loved ones by donating toward the beautiful poinsettias in the Sanctuary throughout Advent. The Order of Worship on Christmas Eve will list the names of donors and honorees. Print deadline is December 15.



### 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!

Register at [christtheking.com/women](http://christtheking.com/women).



**Children's Ministry Christmas Party**  
*December 8, 9:30 - 11:30 am, The Great Hall*

Join us for some Christmas fun! We will have snow, bouncy houses, a service project, crafts and lots of fun things for your kids! You will not want to miss it! Please come, and invite your friends and neighbors. This event is free and registration is not required.



**Christmas Eve**  
**Sunday Morning Services**  
9:00 & 10:30 am

- No Sunday School for children through adults
- No Children's Worship
- Children are encouraged to join us for the whole worship service
- Nursery Care: 8-weeks - PreK

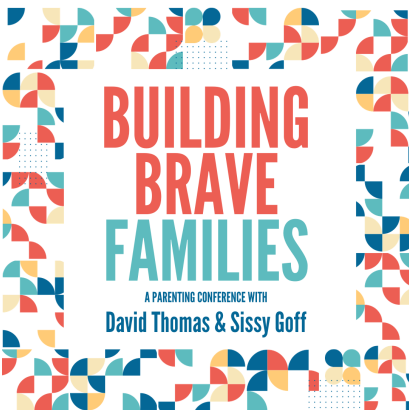
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2:30, 4:00 & 5:30 pm

- No childcare at the 2:30 service
- Nursery Care: 8-weeks - PreK at the 4:00 & 5:30 services only



**Midweek Prayer**  
*January 10, 12:00 - 12:30 pm, The Sanctuary*

We are taking a break for the holidays and will meet again on January 10. Everyone is invited to join us on Wednesdays 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. All are welcome.



**Building Brave Families Conference**

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

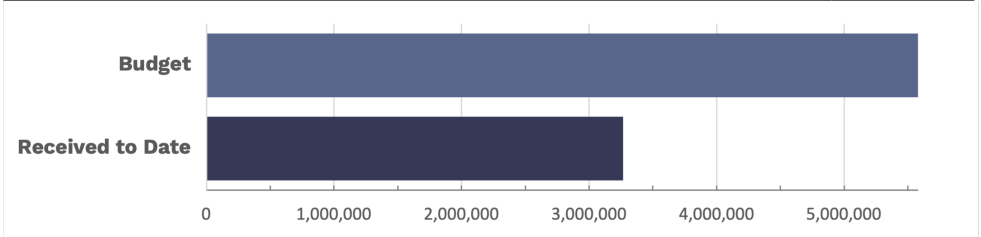
**Raising Worry-Free Kids**  
Friday, January 19, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

**Worry-Free Parents**  
Saturday, January 20, 9:00 - 11:00 am

Spots are filling up fast, so register today at [christtheking.com/building-brave-families](http://christtheking.com/building-brave-families).

## Ministry Budget Update

2023 Ministry Budget	\$	5,580,000
Received as of 11/12	\$	3,266,075
Variance	\$	2,313,925



### 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](http://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](mailto:info@eastspringbranchfoodpantry.com).

## Care at Christ the King

### Congregational Prayers

Can we pray for you? Let us know at [christtheking.com/care](http://christtheking.com/care) or contact [catherine.duffin@christtheking.com](mailto: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](mailto: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](http://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/](http://christtheking.com/staff/).

**Clay Holland**

**John Trapp**

**Andrés Zelaya**

Pastor, Family Ministry

Senior Pastor

Pastor, Adult Ministry