

An abstract painting with a vibrant, textured background of green, blue, yellow, and red. Overlaid on this are several large, colorful, swirling shapes in shades of purple, red, and green. A prominent treble clef is visible in the center, and various musical notes and lines are scattered throughout the composition, suggesting a musical theme.

Psalms in
the *Key* of
Life

ORDER OF WORSHIP

JULY 23, 2023
THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 118

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good.

People: His steadfast love endures forever!

Leader: The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.

**People: This is the LORD's doing;
it is marvelous in our eyes.**

**All: This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

❖ REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

DARWALL, John Darwall and Charles Wesley

Rejoice, the Lord is King, your Lord and King adore
Rejoice, give thanks and sing and triumph evermore

Refrain:

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice

Rejoice, again I say rejoice

His kingdom cannot fail, he rules o'er earth and heaven
The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n (*Ref*)

He sits at God's right hand till all his foes submit
And bow to his command and fall beneath his feet (*Ref*)

Rejoice in glorious hope, our Lord, the Judge, shall come
And take his servants up to their eternal home (*Ref*)

We soon shall hear, the angels' voice

The trump of God shall sound rejoice

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Colossians 1:15-20

Leader: Who is Jesus and why did he come?

**All: He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn
of all creation. For by him all things were created,
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers
or authorities — all things were created through him
and for him. And he is before all things, and in him
all things hold together. And he is the head of the
body, the church.**

**He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead,
that in everything he might be preeminent.
For in him all the fullness of God was pleased
to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself
all things, whether on earth or in heaven,
making peace by the blood of his cross.**

❖ 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

MAN OF SORROWS

Drew Holcomb and Ellie Holcomb

*Man of sorrows, what a name
Bore our suffering, bore all of our pain
Man of sorrows, broken sinners to reclaim
Overcame the darkness and walked out of the grave
You overcame the darkness and walked out of the grave*

✝ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of grace, you have given us Jesus, the light of the world,
but we choose darkness, and cling to things that hide
the brightness of your love. Immersed in ourselves, we cannot see.

Baptize us with your Spirit, that, forgiven and renewed,
we may declare your Word to the nations
and tell of your glory shining in the face of Jesus Christ,
our Lord and our light forever. Amen.

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John 8:12

Leader: Jesus said, "I am the light of the world.
Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness
but will have the light of life."
Jesus has called us out of darkness
and into his marvelous light!

People: Thanks be to God!

❖ HIS MERCY IS MORE

Matt Boswell and Matt Papa

Chorus:
Praise the Lord, his mercy is more
Stronger than darkness, new every morn
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more (*Ch*)

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more (*Ch*)

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more (*Ch 2x*)

Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more
Our sins, they are many, his mercy is more

❖ THE PEACE OF GOD

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

People: And also with you!

THE OFFERING

PSALM 13

Alisa Turner, Michael Farren, & Tony Wood

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalms 13, p. 453

Salmo 13, p. 768

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON

"A Psalm for Sadness"
Psalms in the Key of Life

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.

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.

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.

Oración de acceso humilde

No presumo venir a esta mesa, oh Señor de misericordia, confiando en mi propia bondad, si no sólo en tu justicia acreditada a mí. No soy digno tanto como para recoger las migajas debajo de tu mesa. Pero tú eres el mismo Señor cuya manera es siempre mostrar misericordia. Concédeme, pues, oh Señor, la gracia de comulgar ahora con Cristo por la fe, para que pueda vivir cada vez más en él y él en mí. Amén.

STEADFAST

Sandra McCracken, Leslie Jordan, and Josh Silverberg

I will build my house whether storm or drought
On the rock that does not move
I will set my hope in your love O Lord
And your faithfulness will prove

Chorus:

You are steadfast, steadfast

By the word you spoke all the starry host
Are called out by name each night
In your watchful care I will rest secure
As you lead us with your light (Ch 2x)

I will not trust in the strength of kings
On your promise I will stand
I will shout for joy, I will raise my voice
Hallelujah to the Lamb (Ch 2x)

In the moment of emptiness all was fulfilled
In the hour of darkness your light was revealed
In the presence of death your life was affirmed
In the absence of holiness you are still God (Ch 4x)

❖ ALL GLORY BE TO CHRIST

Dustin Kensrue

Should nothing of our efforts stand, no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain, tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn, all glory be to Christ

Chorus:

*All glory be to Christ our king, all glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing, all glory be to Christ*

His will be done, his kingdom come, on earth as is above
Who is himself our daily bread, praise him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet, all glory be to Christ (*Ch*)

When on the day the great I Am the faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be, all glory be to Christ (*Ch 2x*)

❖ BENEDICTION

Galatians 1:2-5

Minister: Grace and peace to you from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself
for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age,
according to the will of our God and Father,
to whom be glory for ever and ever.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

❖ REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice
Rejoice, again I say rejoice*

Worship Leaders

Joe Beam	drums
Daniel Campbell	keyboard & vocals
Joe Deegan	guitar & vocals
Conrad Guthrie	bass
Meredith Harwood	prayer
Michelle Hays	violin
Scott Mochon	electric guitar
John Trapp	sermon
Steven Wiggs	cello
Jessica Wrabel	vocals
Andrés Zelaya	liturgy

Audio/Visual Team

Matt Dreyer	projections
Zach Day	audio

*Our video crew is on hiatus
until August 13. If you are interested
in joining the video or audio team,
please contact our A/V coordinator:
namath.naif@christtheking.com*

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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
Infant - 4 years

Children's Worship

K-2nd grade

10:30 am
Worship Service

Nursery Care
Infant - 4 years

Please note:

We will take a break from all Sunday School Classes through August 6.

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/.

Clay Holland

Pastor, Family Ministry

John Trapp

Senior Pastor

Andrés Zelaya

Pastor, Adult Ministry

Upcoming Events

Today	Blood Drive	The Parking Lot	8:00 am - 12:30 pm
Today	Taco Time	The Great Hall	10:00 - 11:00 am
7/24	High School Sports Night	Memorial Park	5:30 - 7:15 pm
7/25	Middle School Grub Club	Memorial City Mall Food Court	12:30 - 1:45 pm
7/25	Women's Summer Salad Supper	The Great Hall	7:00 - 9:00 pm
7/26	Student Ministry Summer Nights	Christ the King	7:00 - 8:30 pm
7/27	Middle School Summer Studies	Student Ministry	10:00 - 11:00 am
7/27	High School Lunch	Railway Heights Market	11:30 am - 1:00 pm
8/01	Men's Summer Social		
8/2-8/6	Middle School RYM	Allaso Ranch	
8/06	Young Adults Monthly Meals	11923 Longleaf, 77024	7:00 - 9:00 pm



Taco Time

July 2 - August 6, 10:00 - 11:00 am,
The Great Hall

In July we will take a break from all Sunday School Classes for children through adults. As we take a break from Sunday School, we invite you to spend some extra time in the Great Hall on Sunday mornings catching up with friends and meeting someone new.



Women's Summer Salad Supper

July 25, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
Christ the King, The Great Hall

Let's get together! Join us at our Summer Salad Supper to enjoy dinner with friends and listen to a Christ the King woman share how God has been at work in her life.



Men's Summer Social

August 1, more details coming soon

Earlier this month, more than 50 men came together for our first Men's Summer Social. If you are new to our church, or have been waiting for an opportunity to jump in, this is it! Mark your calendars for the evening of August 1. We will send out more details soon. Feel free to reach out to Andrés at andres.zelaya@christtheking.com.



Monthly Meals

August 6

Monthly Meals is a monthly event where young adults gather in the home of a CTK family. The goal is to connect with others in the church and to share a meal together. Email Ryan Dougan at ryan.dougan@christtheking.com with questions.



Made with Love

We have stocked the freezer with meals! Stop by the kitchen after church or come by during the week to grab a free, frozen meal to share with someone in your life.

Our next meal prep day is August 17.

Space is limited so reserve your spot in the kitchen at christtheking.com/serve.



Code 45 Crazy Olympics Pool Party

August 19, 11:30 am - 2:00 pm,
8802 Chatsworth

All 4th and 5th graders are invited for swimming and lunch at the 16th annual Crazy Olympics Swim Party. Register at christtheking.com/children.



3D Fall Kick-off Party

August 27, 5:00 - 6:15 pm, Christ the King

All third graders are invited to our fall kick-off party for pizza and lots of fun games. Register at christtheking.com/children.

Ministry Budget Update

2023 Ministry Budget Goal	\$	5,580,000
Budgeted through 07/09/2023	\$	2,897,308
Received as of 07/09/2023	\$	1,613,232
Variance	\$	(1,284,075)

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

Global Mission Partners

Phil and Barb work in South East Asia in the first Asian Crescent Hub. They have three amazing adult children, Isaac, Louisa, and Annie and soon three grandchildren. In 2004, Phil was assigned by Mission to the World (MTW) to start ministry partnerships across the Asian Crescent region, so they established their current hub by partnering with a local church and training a missionary team. Phil currently works as the Regional Director for MTW's Asian Crescent (a region stretching from Afghanistan to China to Indonesia that focuses on church planting in Muslim majority contexts). Barb has developed the Rohingya refugee ministry and is currently helping Phil to establish two more ministry hubs in the region. If you would like to know more about the Asian Crescent Hub and the work they are doing, please reach out to Phil, phil@asianconnect.org or Barb, barb@asianconnect.org.

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