

MARK

Order of Worship

NOVEMBER 8, 2026
THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP from Isaiah 60

Minister: Arise, shine, for your light has come,

People: And the glory of the Lord rises upon you.

Minister: See, darkness covers the earth and thick darkness is over the peoples, but the Lord rises upon you and his glory appears over you.

People: Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn.

❖ CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

DIADEMATA, Matthew Bridges and George J. Elvey

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own:
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified:
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet
Fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time;
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime:
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me:
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Our glorious God, we gather this morning to worship you, our God, who brought us out of darkness and into the light of your Son.

Be pleased with our worship this morning, as we worship in Spirit and in truth, knowing that we have been set free from sin through your great love for us. Amen.

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from Philippians 2

Minister: Whom do we worship as our Lord and King?

All: **We worship Jesus Christ as our Lord and King "Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness.**

And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death – even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father."

❖ O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING

Michael A. Perry

O God beyond all praising
We worship you today
And sing the love amazing
That songs cannot repay

For we can only wonder
At ev'ry gift you send
At blessing without number
And mercies without end

We lift our hearts before you
And wait upon your Word
We honor and adore you
Our great and mighty Lord

Then hear, O gracious Savior
Accept the love we bring
That we who know your favor
May serve you as our king

And whether our tomorrows
Be filled with good or ill
We'll triumph through our sorrows
And rise to bless you still

To marvel at your beauty
And glory in your ways
And make a joyful duty
Our sacrifice of praise

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

9:00 am

Samuel Paul Bernstein
Covenant child of Sarah Katherine and Jordan Bernstein

Teddy Grace Easley
Covenant child of Grace and Peyton Easley

Lucas Henry Garay-Garcilazo
Covenant child of Ruth Garcilazo and Jorge Garay

Savannah Rose Gill
Covenant child of Meghan and Andrew Gill

James Woodrow Dunn
Ella Catherine Dunn
Covenant children of Evin and Alexander Dunn

10:30 am

James Jinkins Droxler
Covenant child of Holly and Keegan Droxler

James McLeay Mizell
William David Mizell
Stuart Ross Mizell
Covenant child of Margaret and Ross Mizell

Ezekiel Paul Oliphant
Covenant child of Sarah Beth and Caleb Oliphant

Henry Joel Zaldivar
Covenant child of Natalie Mann and Joel Zaldivar

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

✢ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

God of glory, you sent Jesus among us as the light of the world – to reveal your love for us, and to redeem us as a people who walk in your light. But we have obscured the glory of your presence within us by sinning in thought, word, and deed. We have chosen often to walk in the darkness instead of your light.

In your mercy, fill us again with your Spirit, so that, forgiven and renewed, we may show forth the same glory that shines fully in the face of Jesus Christ. Amen.

❖ **WORDS OF ASSURANCE & PEACE OF GOD** John 8:12

Minister: 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!

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

People: And also with you!

THE OFFERING Paul Brennan

SCRIPTURE READING Mark 4:21-33
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Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON "The King's Good News" Dr. Lloyd Kim
Mark

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 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.

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)*

❖ 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)*

❖ BENEDICTION

Minister: May the blessing of the eternal God be upon us, and upon our work and worship; his light to guide us, his presence to strengthen us, his love to unite us; now and 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

Dr. Lloyd Kim has served as coordinator of Mission to the World (MTW), the mission sending agency of the Presbyterian Church in America, since 2015. Before stepping into his role, he and his wife, Eda, served as MTW missionaries in the Philippines and Cambodia for 10 years. They now live in Johns Creek, Georgia, and have three adult children.

Worship Leaders	
Paul Brennan	*piano*
Emily Cagle	*vocals*
Sam Cornelius	*guitar & vocals*
Paul Duffin	*guitar*
Conrad Guthrie	*bass*
Michelle Hays	*violin*
Travis Henthorn	*drums*
Dr. Lloyd Kim	*sermon*
John Trapp	*liturgy*
Steven Wiggs	*cello*
Andrés Zelaya	*liturgy*

Audio/Visual Team	
Phil Betti	*video director*
Judy Jackson	*camera*
Spencer Jackson	*camera*
Kyunghee Kim	*projections*
Namath Naif	*technical director*
Alex Rollo	*camera*

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Our Vision

To reach Houston and beyond for Christ and renew lives by grace.

Our Mission

Christ the King exists to make disciples who worship God, grow in God's grace, and serve in God's mission all for God's glory.

SUNDAY 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
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)

Learn More

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tonight	Middle School Sunday Nights	5:30 - 7:00 pm
11/09	Day of Prayer & Fasting	
11/10	Men's Breakfast	6:30 - 7:30 am
11/11	High School D Groups	7:00 - 8:15 pm
11/15	Thanksgiving Food Drive Bags Returned	
11/18	Women's Ministry Fun with Florals	6:00 - 8:00 pm
11/19	Made with Love Meal Prep	9:30 am or 6:30 pm
12/2	Women's Ministry Deck the Halls	9:30 - 11:00 am
12/3	Women's Ministry Christmas Dinner	7:00 - 9:00 pm
12/5	Men's Ministry Service Day	8:30 - 11:30 am
11/30	Children's Ministry Christmas Party	9:30 - 11:30 am
12/9	Advent Lament Service	7:00 - 8:00 pm
12/13	Advent Song Night	5:00 - 6:00 pm
12/24	Christmas Eve Services	2:00, 3:30 & 5:00 pm



Thanksgiving Food Drive

Our 4th and 5th grade students are collecting food to support hundreds of families through our Mission Partner, the East Spring Branch Food Pantry. Pick up a bag (or two!) on Main Street and return filled bags by Sunday, November 15 so we can deliver them to the Food Pantry in time for Thanksgiving.



Advent Guides

Advent is a season of remembering Christ's first coming and anticipating his return. But the story of Advent is woven throughout scripture, often in unexpected places. This year, our Advent Guide will explore a familiar biblical story with fresh eyes, tracing the hope and promise of the God who draws near. Advent Guides will be available for pickup beginning November 22.



Day of Prayer & Fasting

November 9

Houston Metro Presbytery has designated November 9 as a day of prayer and fasting. Everyone is invited to gather at Christ the King for a presbytery-wide prayer service from 2:30 - 3:15 pm, followed by worship and preaching from 3:30 - 4:15 pm. Childcare will not be available. If you're unable to attend, we encourage you to set aside time for prayer and fasting as your circumstances allow.



Men’s Breakfast
November 10, 6:30 - 7:30 am

Join us for breakfast and time in God’s Word. Invite a friend, neighbor, or coworker and join us!



Women's Fun with Florals
November 18, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Join us as we learn how to design beautiful floral arrangements just in time for Thanksgiving! Come ready to get creative, connect with friends, and take home an arrangement of your own!



Made with Love Meal Prep
November 19

Fall into service this month with Made with Love! Join us for a fun time of cooking and community as we prepare meals for neighbors, friends, and local Mission Partners. No cooking experience necessary. Children are welcome when accompanied by an adult.



Women’s Christmas Dinner
December 3, 7:00 - 9:00 pm

Invite your friends and neighbors to join us for an evening of singing, dinner, and an encouraging reflection on the story of our Savior's birth.



Christmas Eve at Christ the King
Thursday, December 24

Celebrate the joy of Christmas with us at Christ the King! Join us for one of our three Christmas Eve candlelight services at 2:00, 3:30, or 5:00 pm as we gather to worship and celebrate the birth of our Savior.

Childcare will be available at the 2:00 and 3:30 pm services, and Spanish translation will be offered at 5:00 pm.

We hope you'll invite your family, friends, and neighbors to share in this special evening with us!

CARE & CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

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.

OUR PASTORS

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 11/01	$	6,548,997
Received as of 11/01	$	4,236,011
Variance	$	(2,312,986)

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/give.



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