



CHRIST THE KING

H O U S T O N

ORDER OF WORSHIP

JANUARY 10, 2021
THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from Isaiah 12

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name,
make known his deeds among the peoples,
proclaim that his name is exalted.

People: **Sing praises to the Lord, for he has done gloriously;
let this be made known in all the earth!**

❖ ARISE, SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME

Jerred McKenna

Arise, shine, for your light has come
And the glory of God is on you.
Arise, see though the earth grows dark,
That the Lord will arise upon you,
The Lord will arise upon you.

Chorus:
Nations will come to your light,
Lift up your eyes and see.
We'll gather together and come to you
And your love will be all that we know,
And your love will be all that we know.

Arise, come to the open gates
For the Father is welcoming you.
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace
And redemption to all who believe,
And redemption to all who believe. (*Chorus*)

The sun will not shine
'Cause you'll be all the light that we need
And violence will end;
All the wars that we wage will cease. (*Repeat*)

We will glorify your name,
We will glorify your name. (*Chorus 2x*)

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Creed of Eusebius

Leader: We believe in God the Father Almighty,

People: Maker of all things visible and invisible.

Leader: We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the Word of God,

**People: God of God, Light of Light, Life of Life,
the only-begotten Son,
the first-born of every creature,
begotten of God the Father before all ages,
by whom all things were made;
who for our salvation was made flesh
and made his home among men;
and suffered; and rose on the third day;
and ascended to the Father.**

Leader: We believe also in one Holy Spirit.

**People: We believe that each of these is and exists:
The Father truly Father,
and the Son truly Son,
and the Holy Spirit truly Holy Spirit.**

Leader: As our Lord, when sending forth his disciples, said:

**People: Go and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.**

❖ ALL GLORY, LAUD, AND HONOR

ST. THEODULPH, Melchior Teschner, Theodulph of Orleans

All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!
Thou art the King of Israel, thou David's royal Son,
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!

The people of the Hebrews with palms before thee went;
Our praise and prayer and anthems before thee we present:
To thee, before thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;
To thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.

Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,
Who in all good delightest, thou good and gracious King!
All glory, laud, and honor to thee, Redeemer, King,
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

COME LIGHT OUR HEARTS

Sandra McCracken

Chorus:

For you, O Lord, our souls in stillness wait.

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Truly our hope is in you. Truly our hope is in you.

O Lord of life, our only hope,
Your radiance shines on all who look
To you in the dark, Emmanuel come;
Come light our hearts. (*Chorus*)

Oh joy above all other loves, in you we find more than enough.
We come as we are, O heal and restore.
Come light our hearts. (*Repeat*) (*Chorus*)

Truly our hope is in you.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.

Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment.

Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more
in your likeness and image;
through Jesus Christ the light of the world. Amen.

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE

John 1:9-12

Leader: The true light that gives light to everyone
was coming into the world.
To all who have received him,
to those who believed in his name,
he gave the right to become children of God.

People: Thanks be to God!

❖ RISING SUN

David Leonard, Leslie Jordan, and Kyle Lee

Praise him, all you sinners. Sing, oh sing, you weary.
Oh praise him all you children of God.

We lift high his glory, shown throughout our stories.
We praise him as the children of God.

Chorus:

Our great Redeemer, glorious Savior,

Your name is higher than the rising sun.

Light of the morning, you shine forever.

Your name is higher than the rising sun.

Your name is higher than the rising sun.

Praise his name forever. Speak it loud and clear now.
Oh praise him all you children of God. (*Chorus*)

Alleluia, name above all,
Simply to speak your name is praise;
Alleluia, now and always,
Forever we lift your name in praise.
Alleluia, name above all,
Simply to speak your name is praise. (*Chorus*)
Your name is higher than the rising sun.

❖ THE PEACE OF GOD

Leader: The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you!**

THE OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 2:1-12

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

“A Light to the Nations”

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, belong to (and are in good standing with) a church that embraces the gospel, live at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully are welcome to partake. If you are not a Christian, please consider spending this time in prayer.

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

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.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

❖ **THIS IS MY FATHER’S WORLD**

TERRA BEATA, Maltbie D. Babcock, Edward Shippen Barnes, Joe Deegan, and Franklin Sheppard

This is my Father’s world, and to my listening ears,
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres.
This is my Father’s world: I rest me in the thought of
Rocks and trees, of skies and seas:
His hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father’s world, the birds their carols raise,
The morning light, the lily white,
Declare their Maker’s praise.
This is my Father’s world: he shines in all that’s fair;
In the rustling grass I hear him pass,
He speaks to me everywhere.

Chorus:
Oh this world belongs to him
From beginning to the end.
All creation groans, Lord bring us home,
Make us new again.

This is my Father’s world, O let me ne’er forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the Ruler yet.
This is my Father’s world: the battle is not done;
Jesus who died shall be satisfied,
And earth and heaven be one. (*Chorus 2x*)

Make us new again. Make us new again.

❖ **BENEDICTION**

2 Corinthians 13:14

Minister: May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

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Worship Leaders

Joe Beam	drums
Daniel Campbell	keyboard & vocals
Joe Deegan	guitar & vocals
Conrad Guthrie	bass
Clay Holland	sermon
Carey Lewis	electric guitar & mandolin
Taylor Leachman	liturgy
Steven Wiggs	cello
Jessica Wrabel	vocals

Audio/Visual Team

Phil Betti	camera
Patrick Coffey	graphics
Colby Hodges	video director
Namath Naif	audio

Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today. Here are a few things going on within the life of the church that we don't want you to miss. For a full list of upcoming events, please visit christtheking.com.

Congregational News

- We give praise for the marriage of Alex Sims to Laranda Walker on December 19.
- We extend our sympathy to the Eckhardt family as they mourn the loss of Kevin's mother on December 29.
- We give praise for the marriage of Ian Perry to Yumin Zhang on January 9.

Officer Recommendations

Church members are invited to recommend individuals for the office of Elder or Deacon. If you would like to see a list of our current Session and Deacons and recommend someone, please visit christtheking.com/staff/.

Virtual Mission Conference

February 19 & 20, Via Zoom, Free!

Our world is in upheaval but the work of making disciples of Christ is ever before us. At this virtual mission conference you'll hear stories from around the world that will have you rejoicing in the Lord's work and workshops that will challenge your views on mission. You'll also catch a glimpse into the future as we anticipate how God will grow his kingdom through the work of the Presbyterian Church in America and our partners. A free gift will be mailed to everyone who registers before January 19! Register at <https://hopin.com/events/mtwvmc2020>.



BAPTISM CLASS

January 17, 9:00 am, Room A300

Take the first step in having your child baptized at Christ the King.



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WE LOVE BECAUSE HE FIRST LOVED US. 1 JOHN 4:19

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ADULT CONNECTION

Adult Sunday Morning Classes are places for you to participate and grow through topics that form you holistically as you follow Jesus. These are ongoing classes, available to all adults (some require pre-registration). Wherever you are in life, we have a place for you to journey together with others.

Counseling 101 - Registration is required

Sundays, January 10, 14, 24, 31; 10:30 am, The Redeemer Room

Join us as we explore the basics of counseling, human development, and the power of the Gospel working its way from our heads to our hearts and into our lives and relationships. Taught by Leslie Peacock (M.A., LPC), Director of Counseling.

Intro to the Hebrew Bible

Sundays, 10:30 am, Room A300, no need to register

Have you ever wondered where the Bible came from? This course explores the origins of the Hebrew Bible (Old Testament) and how to develop the skills necessary for reading it well. We'll explore the biblical and historical data about how the biblical text came to be, focusing on why and how these texts were formed into a unified collection. We'll also cover some of the most important skills necessary for reading biblical narrative and poetry so that you can take your own study of the Bible to the next level.

Bible Studies are a great way to stay connected and grow deeper at Christ the King. Join us, starting January 11, as we continue to study Isaiah. New participants are welcome!

Women's Bible Study

If you did not participate in the Fall, visit christtheking.com/adults to join a group. Limited childcare is available on Wednesday mornings at the church on a first come, first served basis.

Men's Bible Study

If you did not participate in the Fall, visit christtheking.com/adults to join a group. We will be meeting in our regular groups as well as gathering for breakfasts once a month.



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