

HOUSTON

Order of Worship

JANUARY 24, 2021 THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

*** CALL TO WORSHIP**

from 1 Peter 1

Leader:	Praise the God and Father		
	of our Lord Jesus Christ.		

People: He has given us new life and hope. He has raised Jesus from the dead.

Leader: God has claimed us as his own.

People: He has brought us out of darkness. He has made us light to the world!

*** BECAUSE HE LIVES (AMEN)**

Chris Tomlin, Daniel Carson, Ed Cash, Gloria Gaither, Jason Ingram, and Matt Maher

I believe in the Son,

I believe in the Risen One;

I believe I overcome

By the power of the blood.

Chorus: Amen, amen; I'm alive, I'm alive because he lives. Amen, amen; let my song join the one that never ends Because he lives.

I was dead in the grave; I was covered in sin and shame. I heard mercy call my name. He rolled the stone away. *(Chorus)*

Because he lives I can face tomorrow; Because he lives every fear is gone. I know he holds my life, my future, in his hand. *(Chorus 2x)*

*** PRAYER OF ADORATION**

***** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

WSC, #4, #5, & #6

Leader: What is God?

- People: God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.
- Leader: Are there more Gods than one?

People: There is but one only, the living and true God.

- Leader: How many persons are there in the Godhead?
- People: There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and 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. (*Chorus 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. *(Chorus 2x)*

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

WHEN I SURVEY THE WONDROUS CROSS

HAMBURG, Gregorian chant, Isaac Watts

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died, My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride.

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God; All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to his blood.

See from his head, his hands, his feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down; Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were a present far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we have sinned, without considering how much you love us. You see our sins more clearly than we can ourselves.

Lord, you know when we are indifferent to your Word; how often we forget to pray; the times we come unwillingly to worship; and yet we turn to you when we are in trouble.

Lord, you know when we are untruthful and when we think evil of others. You see our anger toward our friends and neighbors. You know how hard it is for us to forgive.

Forgive us and make us clean, so that we can obey your call to take up our cross and follow you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

from Lamentations 3

Leader: The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases; His mercies never come to an end; They are new every morning; Great is his faithfulness! In Christ you are forgiven!

People: Praise be to God for endless mercy!

*** 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. *(Chorus)*

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. *(Chorus)*

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. *(Chorus 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

SCRIPTURE READING

Exodus 7:14-21, 9:13-16

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON "Living in a Plague"

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.

People:	It is right to give him thanks and praise.
Minister:	Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People:	We lift them up unto the Lord.
Minister:	Lift up your hearts.
People:	And also with you.
Minister:	The Lord be with you.

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

* RED SEA ROAD

Ellie Holcomb, Christa Wells, and Nicole Witt

We've buried dreams,

Laid them deep into the earth behind us; Said our goodbyes at the grave but everything reminds us. God knows we ache, when he asks us to go on, How do we go on?

Chorus:

We will sing to our souls, we won't bury our hope. Where he leads us to go, there's a red sea road. When we can't see the way, he will part the waves; And we'll never walk alone down a red sea road.

How can we trust when you say you will deliver us from All of this pain that threatens to take over us; well This desert's dry, but the ocean may consume And we're scared to follow you. *(Chorus)*

Oh help us believe, you are faithful, you're faithful; When our hearts are breaking, you are faithful, You're faithful.

Oh, grant us eyes to see you are faithful, you're faithful. Teach us to sing, you are faithful, you're faithful, You're faithful. *(Chorus)*

No, we'll never walk alone down a red sea road. No, we'll never walk alone down a red sea road.

BENEDICTION

Minister: As God parted the seas for his children, be assured he will lead, guide and direct your path.

> May the blessing of God, Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer, be with you and remain with you always.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

SECAUSE HE LIVES (AMEN)

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Worship Leaders

Joe Beam	
Daniel Campbell	keyboc
Joe Deegan	guit
Micaela Dougan	
Conrad Guthrie	
Clay Holland	
Frank Matta	ele
John Trapp	
Steven Wiggs	

drums eyboard & vocals guitar & vocals vocals bass liturgy electric guitar sermon cello

Audio/Visual Team

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

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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.

Tonight	Middle School Sunday Nights	5:30 - 6:45 pm
Tonight	High School Sunday Nights	7:15 - 8:30 pm
2/03	Men's Ministry Breakfast	6:30 - 7:30 am
2/14 & 3/7	Discover Christ the King Lunch	11:45 am - 1:00 pm
2/17	Ash Wednesday	
2/19 & 2/20	Virtual Mission Conference	
2/26 - 2/28	High School Weekend Trip	
2/28	Code 45 Spring Party	3:30 - 5:30 pm

Code 45 Spring Party

February 28, 3:30 - 5:30 pm, Christ the King Calling all 4th and 5th graders! Join us for some fun! We will have a scavenger hunt around the church building along with games, surprise activities and Raising Canes. Cost is \$10. Register at christtheking.com/children.





Sunday Morning at Christ the King

9:00 am

Worship Service In-Person in the Sanctuary Live-Streamed to the Patio with Communion Live-Streamed to Facebook and our Website

Nursery Care (Infant - 4 years)

Children's Worship Kingdom Kids

(K-2nd grade) Children will be dismissed from the worship service.

Children's Worship Notes can be found online as well as near the Orders of Worship in the Narthex. 10:30 am Worship Service In-Person in the Sanctuary

> Nursery Care (Infant - 1 years)

Sunday School

2 - 4 years old (1st floor) K - 3rd grade (2nd floor) Code 45 - 4th & 5th graders

(past the playground, and up the stairs) **Student Ministry** (3rd floor)

> Adult Sunday Morning Classes (3rd Floor)

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

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. Wherever you are in life, we have a place for you to journey together with others.

Current Class: Intro to the Hebrew Bible

Sundays, 10:30 -11:30 am, Room A300 on the 3rd Floor 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.

