



*Easter
Sunday*

ORDER OF WORSHIP

APRIL 4, 2021
THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Christ is risen from the dead!

People: **Alleluia!**

Leader: Blessed be the name of the LORD
from this time forth and forevermore!

People: **From the rising of the sun to its setting,
the name of the LORD is to be praised!**

❖ CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

EASTER HYMN, Lyra Davidica, Charles Wesley

Christ the Lord is ris'n today, Alleluia!
Sons of men and angels say; Alleluia!
Raise your joys and triumphs high; Alleluia!
Sing ye heav'ns, and earth, reply: Alleluia!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal; Alleluia!
Christ has burst the gates of hell: Alleluia!
Death in vain forbids his rise; Alleluia!
Christ hath opened Paradise. Alleluia!

Lives again our glorious King; Alleluia!
Where, O death, is now thy sting? Alleluia!
Once he died, our souls to save; Alleluia!
Where thy victory, O grave? Alleluia!

Soar we now where Christ has led, Alleluia!
Following our exalted Head; Alleluia!
Made like him, like him we rise: Alleluia!
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies. Alleluia!

Hail, the Lord of earth and heav'n! Alleluia!
Praise to thee by both be giv'n; Alleluia!
Thee we greet triumphant now; Alleluia!
Hail, the Resurrection thou! Alleluia!

❖ PRAYER OF ADORATION

concluded with The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory for ever. Amen.

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and was buried;
he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated
at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

❖ IN CHRIST ALONE

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

In Christ alone — my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all —
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones he came to save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For every sin on him was laid —
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as he stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am his and he is mine —
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death —
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from his hand;
Till he returns or calls me home —
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

MAN OF SORROWS

Matt Crocker and Brooke Ligertwood

Man of sorrows, Lamb of God,
By his own betrayed;
The sin of man and wrath of God
Has been on Jesus laid.

Silent as he stood accused,
Beaten, mocked, and scorned;
Bowing to the Father's will,
He took a crown of thorns.

Chorus:

*Oh that rugged cross, my salvation,
Where your love poured out over me;
Now my soul cries out hallelujah,
Praise and honor unto thee.*

Sent of heaven, God's own Son,
To purchase and redeem
And reconcile the very ones
Who nailed him to that tree. *(Chorus)*

Now my debt is paid; it is paid in full
By the precious blood that my Jesus spilled.
Now the curse of sin has no hold on me.
Whom the Son sets free, oh, is free indeed!
(Repeat) (Chorus)

See the stone is rolled away,
Behold the empty tomb.
Hallelujah! God be praised;
He's risen from the grave. *(Chorus)*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God,
you have raised Jesus from death to life
and crowned him Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before him
or acknowledged his rule in our lives.
We have gone along with the ways of the world
and failed to give him glory.

Forgive us and raise us from sin,
that we may be your faithful people,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
who rules the world and is head of the church,
his body. Amen.

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE

from 1 Corinthians 15

Leader: “Death has been swallowed up in victory.”

People: **“Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death is your sting?”**

Leader: The sting of death is sin,
and the power of sin is the law.

People: **But thanks be to God,
who gives us the victory
through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

❖ I WILL GLORY IN MY REDEEMER

Steve Cook and Vikki Cook

I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails
And hung him on that judgment tree.

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the pow’r of sin and death;
My only Savior before the Holy Judge,
The Lamb who is my righteousness,
The Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer,
My life he bought, my love he owns;
I have no longings for another;
I’m satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer,
His faithfulness, my standing place;
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
My feet are firm, held by his grace,
My feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who carries me on eagles’ wings.
He crowns my life with loving-kindness,
His triumph song I’ll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who waits for me at gates of gold;
And when he calls me, it will be paradise,
His face forever to behold,
His face forever to behold.

❖ THE PEACE OF GOD

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

People: **And also with you!**

THE OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE SERMON “Resurrection Reality”

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

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.

❖ **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)

❖ **BENEDICTION**

from Hebrews 13

Minister: Now may the God of peace who
brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus,
the great shepherd of the sheep,
by the blood of the eternal covenant,
equip you with everything good
that you may do his will,
working in us that which is pleasing
in his sight, through Jesus Christ,
to whom be glory forever and ever.

People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

❖ **MAN OF SORROWS**

Oh that rugged cross, my salvation,
Where your love poured out over me;
Now my soul cries out hallelujah,
Praise and honor unto thee.
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Worship Leaders		Audio/Visual Team	
Joe Beam	drums	Reese Dowiak	camera
Daniel Campbell	keyboard & vocals	Max Gomez-Wright	camera
Joe Deegan	guitar & vocals	Namath Naif	audio
Micaela Dougan	vocals	George Ollre	camera
Clay Holland	sermon	Arjan Voogt	projections
Kris Hammond	trumpet	Natalie Voogt	video director
Taylor Leachman	liturgy		
Carey Lewis	mandolin & guitar		
Paul Tierce	bass		
Steven Wiggs	cello		
Andrés Zelaya	liturgy		
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Given By

Phil, Carolyn, Christina
and Meredith

The Bettis

Dorothy and Ronny

Patti and Raymond Cunningham

Emily Kuo and Michael Chu

Maggie Olinde

The Perrys

Jack and Judy Price

Seo family

Paul, Amber and Beckett Tierce

The Zuckers

Given By

Phil, Carolyn, Christina & Meredith

Rebecca and Tim Brown

Mom and Dad, Cameron, Kirby
and Morgan

Dorothy and Ronny

Bob Hansen

Emily Kuo and Michael Chu

Emily Kuo and Judy Liu

Johnnie and Rosie McWhorter

Maggie Olinde

The Perry Family

Andrea and Kate Reichenbach

JD and James Seo

Seo Family

Carolyn and Doug Sparkes

Paul, Amber and Beckett Tierce

Kay-Kay and Peter Tolsma

In Honor of

Ben Betti,
Linda and Gilbert Brown

The Allisons and Cunninghams-
thank you for serving CTK so well!

Eleanor Stampfli

Our Christ the King family

Clay Holland and the pastors and
staff of Christ the King

Mrs. Wei Wu

Christ the King Staff

Lee Liu

Nancy and Ron Price

CTK Children's Ministry

Howard and Linda White

Granna and Grandpa
Gammy and Grandpa Mike
Aunt Kathii & Uncle Barry

In Memory of

Shirley Betti

Benjamin Kyle Brown
Our parents, Vic Livingston
and Sandra Brown

Grayson Monroe Cuenod

Matt Thanheiser

Lucy Hansen

Dr. Eunice Kuo

Kim Loftin

Thursday Policeman John

Lance Olinde

Annie Cerny

Miguel Menéndez
Phyllis Tucker

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Jennifer Manis

Jean and Jack Durkee
JoAnn Sparkes

Dianne White
Doyle and Jerry Tierce

Gary Garrett



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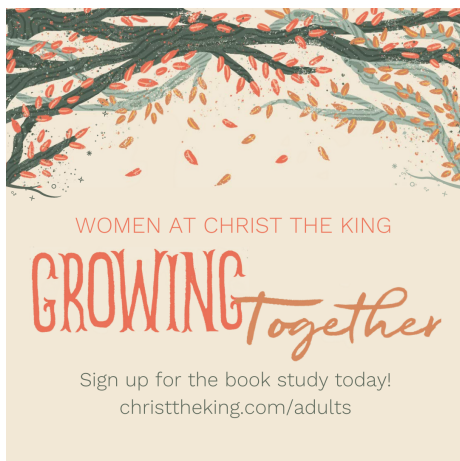
Connection at Christ the King

We need other Christians to grow, and it is because of this that we need to be in relationships with one another. It is a priority of Christ the King to radically reshape our church to prioritize relationships. Our goal is to create pathways for purposeful relationships. Our strong encouragement for you is to take advantage of the opportunities these pathways give you to grow and foster relationships within the body of Christ.

Women at Christ the King

Join the Women at Christ the King, starting April 14, for a short 6-week book study.

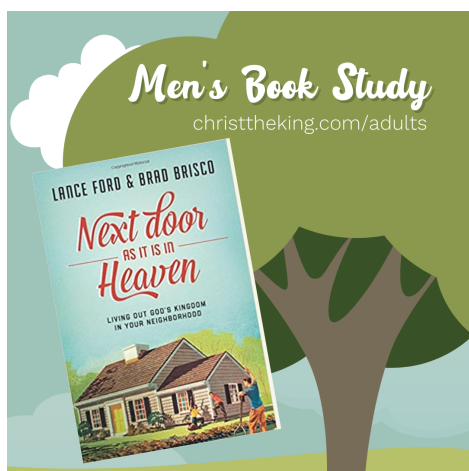
We need one another, yet we don't always know how to develop relationships that help us grow in the Christian life. Join the women of Christ the King as we read Melissa Kruger's book, *Growing Together*, and use scripture and the framework of the gospel to cultivate relationships that spark discipleship, growth, and transformation. Throughout the study, we'll discuss topics such as God's word, prayer, sharing our faith, service, and more. Each week will include a time of extended prayer with your small group, praying with and for one another through the lens of that week's topics.



Men at Christ the King

Join the Men at Christ the King, starting the week of April 11, for a short 7-week book study.

There was a time when neighbors knew each other's names, when small children and the old and infirm alike had more than their families looking out for them. There was a time when our neighborhoods were our closest communities. Now, however, neighborhoods have become a place where nobody knows your name. Into this neighborhood crisis the words of Jesus still ring true: Second only to the command to love God is the command to "love your neighbor as yourself". In *Next Door as It Is in Heaven*, Lance Ford and Brad Brisco offer first principles and best practices to make our neighborhoods into places where compassion and care are once again part of the culture, where good news is once again more than words, and where the love of God can be once again rooted and established.



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 classes are ongoing and everyone is welcome to join at any time!

Current Classes:

The Ten Commandments - Blueprint for the Best Life Possible
Sundays, 10:30 - 11:30 am, Room A300 (3rd Floor)

The Ten Commandments are often mistakenly considered God's "rules" – his outdated list of do's and don'ts that add up to a guilt-ridden, legalistic way of life. In this class, we'll take a look at the purpose and true meaning of the Ten Commandments, discovering that they can aptly be called God's blueprint for the best life possible. We'll see how they address every arena of human life, giving us a portrait of life under the lordship of Jesus, who is the heart and soul of the commandments.

Technology in the Home

Sundays, 10:30 - 11:30 am, The Redeemer Room

Technology can be both a great gift and a personal or societal harm. How can we make good choices about technology in our homes that glorify God? Come learn about building biblical wisdom in the home around questions of technology for our families. We will discuss social media screen time internet pornography and gaming.

Young Adults at Christ the King

Our Young Adults Ministry aims to connect young adults to each other and to our city.

Young Adults Sunday School Class - Questions of the Faith

Join us every Sunday at 9:00 am in The Redeemer Room on the 3rd floor as we wrestle together through major cultural and philosophical push backs to Christianity.

Students at Christ the King

Student Ministry staff and volunteer leaders walk with students through their middle and high school years to equip them for a lifetime of faithful dependence on the love of Jesus Christ. Connect with other students on Sunday Mornings at 10:30am on the 3rd floor, Sunday Nights, or at our next event.

Children at Christ the King

The Children's Ministry serves children and families in fifth grade and under. The mission of our Children's Ministry is to encourage our children to love God, look to his Word and live as lights in Houston.



Coming to Know the King

Character of God

“Who is God?” The Bible affirms that God is loving, compassionate and a friend to sinners. But it also affirms that he, who is one God in three persons (Father, Son and Holy Spirit), is holy, just, immense, eternal, invisible, unable to change, all-powerful, incomprehensible, all-knowing and perfect in all he is and does. He is the Almighty King of all creation.

Condition of Man

“Who am I?” We must see ourselves the way God sees us. His word affirms that human beings are created in the image of God; therefore, they are great, the crown jewel of creation. They are, as C.S. Lewis put it, “God’s little kings and queens!” However, that is only part of the story. Due to Adam’s disobedience, all human beings are dead in sin, falling short of the glory of God, and are unable to do anything of spiritual value or merit. Thus, to understand the gospel, we must affirm our “great wretchedness.”

Cross of Christ

“How can a God such as this commune with a person such as me?” The answer is that God has provided the way, the truth and the life, not because of anything we have done, but because of his mercy and grace. Jesus Christ lived a sinless life, perfectly keeping the demands of God’s holy law that we are unable to fulfill. Then he died on the cross in the place of sinners just like you and me. When Jesus died, he completed all the work that had to be done and secured the salvation of all his people.

Coming to Faith in Christ (Conversion)

Though salvation is totally “of God,” we are converted through turning from autonomous trust in ourselves to submissive trust in Christ alone for our acceptance before God. Though it is by grace we are saved, it is by faith that we access that grace. Faith involves the entire person (intellect, emotion and will). It is not just assent to a body of truth, nor an emotional moment of religious awareness. But it is the whole person embracing Jesus Christ alone.

Course of Life

The Christian is one who stands in grace. That grace will at a heart-level change the person. There is no such thing as a Christian who knows Jesus as Savior, but not King. If Jesus comes into a person, he will lovingly subdue him for his own purposes and glory. The Christian is expected to walk with the King and serve him gladly all the days of his life as his salvation is worked out, trusting that “he who began a good work in you will carry it out to completion.”

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.

Clay Holland
Jaime Jimenez
Taylor Leachman
Willis Weatherford
Andrés Zelaya

Senior Pastor
Pastor, Mission
Pastor, Family Ministry
Pastor, Student Ministry
Pastor, Adult Ministry

Care at Christ the King

Congregational Prayers

Many of our members are currently facing difficult situations. Please be praying for those among us who:

- Are facing financial stress or job loss
- Are adjusting to radical changes in schedule
- Work on the front lines
- Are unable to be with family members due to COVID-19
- Are experiencing loneliness, fear, or excessive worry

Can we pray for you? Let us know at christtheking.com/care.

Deacons at Christ the King

The deacons come alongside you to assist with needs like encouragement and prayer, budgeting and financial coaching, helping widows and elderly, financial relief and other ministries of mercy and help. If you have a need, or know of a need, please email them at deacons@christtheking.com.



CHRIST THE KING
COUNSELING
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Christ the King Counseling Center

We believe God is at work in every aspect of our lives and we aim for clients to know and apply the Gospel to the deepest parts of their lives. Our counseling staff comprises trained and licensed professionals who are committed to Christ and to guiding those in our church and community toward emotional, relational and psychological wholeness. In addition to offering individual, couple, and family counseling, we regularly host group sessions, seminars, and conferences. For more information, please contact us at counseling@christtheking.com.



THE PRESCHOOL
AT CHRIST THE KING

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

The Preschool at Christ the King

We believe that all children are a gift from God, created in the image of God for his glory and that the years of early childhood provide a unique opportunity to encourage, inspire, and establish strong educational practices and lay the foundation for a life of faith in Christ. Offering classes for 2s, 3s and PreK 4; please visit thepreschoolatchristtheking.com for more information.



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We are so glad you are here. We hope you will use this guide to find meaningful ways to connect at Christ the King. Join us on Sundays for worship at 9:00 & 10:30 am. For more details and staff contact information, please visit our website at christtheking.com.