The Book of acts Grafted In

# Order of Worship

OCTOBER 31, 2021 THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# **CALL TO WORSHIP**

from Psalm 145

Leader:	I will extol you my God and my King, and bless your name forever.
People:	The Lord is good to all; his mercy is over all that he has made.
Leader:	All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your saints shall bless you!
People:	My mouth will speak the praise of the Lord. Let all flesh bless his holy name forever and ever!

#### **\*** A MIGHTY FORTRESS IS OUR GOD, #92

EIN' FESTE BURG, Martin Luther

# **\* PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Almighty God, we thank you that you have highly exalted your Son, Jesus Christ. Before him every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.

He has made captivity itself a captive; and has given gifts to his people. We rejoice that Jesus Christ, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, has triumphed most gloriously and is our Lord.

Bring us at last into your presence, so that we can live and praise you together with all the saints forever and ever. Amen.

# **\*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

In life and in death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve.

We trust in Jesus Christ, fully man, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel.

#### \* EVER BE

Kalley Heiligenthal, Gabriel Wilson, Chris Greely, and Bobby Strand

Your love is devoted Like a ring of solid gold Like a vow that is tested Like a covenant of old And your love is enduring Through the winter rain And beyond the horizon With mercy for today Faithful you have been And faithful you will be You pledge yourself to me And it's why I sing

> Chorus: Your praise will ever be on my lips Ever be on my lips (4x)

You father the orphan Your kindness makes us whole And you shoulder our weakness And your strength becomes our own You're making me like you Clothing me in white Bringing beauty from ashes For you will have your bride Free of all her guilt And rid of all her shame And known by her true name And it's why I sing (Ch)

You will be praised, you will be praised With angels and saints we sing Worthy are you Lord *(Repeat 3x)* And it's why I sing *(Ch)* 

#### PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

#### **COME LIGHT OUR HEARTS**

Sandra McCracken

Chorus: For you O Lord our souls in stillness wait For you O Lord our souls in stillness wait 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 *(Ch)* 

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*) (*Ch*)

#### + PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, in every age you have raised up men and women to live and die in faith.

We confess that we are sometimes indifferent to your will. You call us to proclaim your name, but we are silent. You call us to do what is just, but we remain idle. You call us to live faithfully, but we are afraid.

In your mercy, forgive us. Give us courage to follow in your way, that joined with those from ages past, who have served you with faith, hope, and love, we may inherit the kingdom you promised in Jesus Christ. Amen.

#### **\* WORDS OF ASSURANCE**

2 Corinthians 4

Leader: God has caused to shine in our hearts, the light that is knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

#### People: Thanks be to God!

#### **\* ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND**

Christopher Miner and Samuel Stennett

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand And cast a wishful eye To Canaan's fair and happy land Where my possessions lie

All o'er those wide extended plains Shines one eternal day There God the Son forever reigns And scatters night away

Chorus: I am bound, I am bound I am bound for the promised land I am bound, I am bound I am bound for the promised land

No chilling winds nor poisonous breath Can reach that healthful shore Sickness, sorrow, pain and death Are felt and feared no more

When shall I reach that happy place And be forever blessed When shall I see my Father's face And in his bosom rest (*Ch 2x*)

#### **\* THE PEACE OF GOD**

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

People: And also with you!

#### THE OFFERING

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

#### THE SERMON

# "Food for the Church" The Book of Acts: Grafted In

# **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 & WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

A <i>ll:</i>	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.

> Please let an usher know if it is difficult for you to come forward; we would be happy to serve you at your seat. All communion bread is gluten-free.

#### 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.

#### **\*** FOR ALL THE SAINTS

Christopher Miner and William W. How

For all the saints who from their labors rest To thee by faith before the world confessed Thy Name O Jesus be forever blessed Alleluia, Allelu...

Thou was their rock, their fortress and their might Thou Lord their captain in the well fought fight Thou in the darkness drear their one true light Alleluia, Allelu...

The golden evening brightens in the west Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed Alleluia, Allelu...

But lo there breaks a yet more glorious day The saints triumphant rise in bright array The King of Glory passes on his way Alleluia, Allelu...

From earth's wide bounds from ocean's farthest coast Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Alleluia, Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia

#### **\* BENEDICTION**

from Zephaniah 3

Minister: The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save, he will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing.

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

# People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

#### **\* ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS**

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#### Worship Leaders

Joe Beam	drums
Daniel Campbell	keyboard & vocals
Joe Deegan	guitar & vocals
Micaela Dougan	vocals
Andrew Fuqua	reading
Conrad Guthrie	bass
Scott Mochon	guitar & mandolin
Yvonne Smith	viola
John Trapp	sermon
Steven Wiggs	cello
Andrés Zelaya	liturgy

#### Audio/Visual Team

John Bard	video director
Patrick Coffey	projections
Ozzie Fong	camera
Namath Naif	audio
George Ollre	camera
Joe Bill Whittenburg	camera

The artwork on the Order of Worship cover – titled "grafted" – is by artist Annie Whitehead Burdette.

# Welcome! We are so glad you are with us today. For a full list of upcoming events, please visit christtheking.com.

Room A300

The Fields

- Today Membership Class
- 10/31 Congregational Meeting
- 11/3 Grief Support Groups Begin
- 11/14 & 11/21 Kickball Tournament
- 11/14 Food Drive Bags Return Date

# **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 to nominate someone, please visit christtheking.com.



Bring your lawn chairs, blankets and sunglasses and plan to hang out with us after church on November 14 & 21. We will play kickball, eat James Coney Island, enjoy The Fields at Christ the King and each other!

The Sanctuary After each service

Christ the King Counseling Center

11:45 am

10:30 - 11:45 am

We hope everyone will join us for this fun event!

Register to play and purchase your food at christtheking.com.



Every year our 4th and 5th grade students collect hundreds of bags of food that the East Spring Branch Food Pantry hands out to families in our community during Thanksgiving.

Students are on Main Street handing out bags and lists of food. Please plan to pick up a bag or two and help them serve families in Spring Branch!

All bags need to be returned by November 14 so the students can deliver them to the food pantry.

# 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 John Trapp Willis Weatherford Andrés Zelaya Associate Pastor Pastor, Mission Pastor, Family Ministry Senior Pastor Pastor, Student Ministry Pastor, Adult Ministry

# Sunday Morning at Christ the King

9:00 am Worship Service

Nursery Care (Infant - 4 years)

# Children's Worship

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

> Adult Sunday Morning Class (3rd Floor)

# 10:30 am Worship Service

Nursery Care (Infant - 1 years)

#### **Sunday School**

2 - 4 years old (1st floor) K - 3rd grade (2nd floor) Code 45 - 4th & 5th graders (Through the Great Hall, and up the stairs)

> Student Ministry (3rd floor)

Adult Sunday Morning Class (3rd Floor)

# Adult Sunday Morning Classes

#### This Class Starts today!

# Gospel Fluency: Speaking the Truth of Jesus into the Everyday Stuff of Life

#### 9:00 am, The Redeemer Room

We are all unbelievers: we slip in and out of believing God's word about us and trusting in his work on our behalf. We forget who he is, what he has done, and in light of that, who we are. Join us for an interactive class where we will learn to speak the truths of Jesus into the everyday stuff of life.

#### These Classes Start NEXT Sunday - 11/7!

#### **Teach Us To Pray: The Lord's Prayer**

10:30 am, The Redeemer Room

Praying is a problem for many people. Christians often go through the motions of prayer because it is expected of them, but are often left wondering, "Did God hear me? Does he even care?" Join us as we learn and practice Jesus' pattern of prayer, his springboard to launch us into the refreshing waters of God's wisdom and strength.

#### **Jonah: The Rebellious Prophet**

10:30 am, Room A300

The story of Jonah is one of the most well-known stories in the Bible. But it is also the most misunderstood. It's a fascinating story about a rebellious prophet who defies God and tries to run away from him. But there's much more to Jonah's story than most of us realize. It is a story about God's persistent grace for rebellious people and it points forward to the true prophet, Jesus, who voluntarily offered his life to reach us with his love. Join us in the study of this short book from the Old Testament.

Ministry Budget Update	
2021 Ministry Budget Goal	\$ 4,215,000
Expected Giving through 10/24/21	\$ 3,485,481
Received as of 10/24/21	\$ 2,232,970
Variance	\$ (1,252,511)