

The Book of Acts



Grafted in

ORDER OF WORSHIP

OCTOBER 24, 2021
THE TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

❖ CALL TO WORSHIP

from 1 Timothy 1

Leader: Let us praise our God and King!

People: **To the King eternal, immortal, invisible,
the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever!**

❖ IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE, #38

JOANNA, Traditional Welsh hymn, Walter Chalmers Smith

❖ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Scots' Confession, Chapter 1

We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave,
whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship,
and in whom alone we put our trust.

He is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible,
one in substance and yet distinct in three persons:
the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

By him we confess and believe all things
in heaven and earth, visible and invisible,
to have been created, to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence
for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness,
and justice have appointed
and to the manifestation of his own glory.

❖ 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

COME, THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

NETTLETON, Robert Robinson and John Wyeth

Come thou fount of ev'ry blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee

Prone to wander, Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above *(Repeat)*

Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

✦ PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O glorious and gracious God,
God of peace, Father of mercy, God of all comfort:
we confess before you the evil of our hearts;
we acknowledge that we are too inclined
toward anger, jealousy, and revenge, to ambition and pride,
which often give rise to discord.

Too often have we thus both offended and grieved you,
O long-suffering Father.

Forgive us our sins and permit us to partake
of the blessing you have promised the peacemakers,
who shall be called the children of God.
Through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

❖ WORDS OF ASSURANCE

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 LOVE CAN NEVER FAIL

E. S. Hall and Christopher Miner

I do not ask to see the way my feet will have to tread
But only that my soul may feed upon the living bread
'Tis better far that I should walk by faith close to his side
I may not know the way to go but oh I know my Guide

Chorus:

*His love can never fail, his love can never fail
My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail
My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail*

And if my feet would go astray, they cannot for I know
That Jesus guides my faltering steps as joyfully I go
And though I may not see his face, my faith is strong and clear
That in each hour of sore distress my Savior will be near (*Ch*)

I will not fear though darkness come abroad o'er all the land
If I may only feel the touch of his own loving hand
And though I tremble when I think how weak I am and frail
My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail (*Ch*)

❖ THE PEACE OF GOD

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

People: And also with you!

THE OFFERING

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 6:8-15 & 7:54-60, p. 914

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

“Truth & Consequences”
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:

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.

*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.

❖ JESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN

Henry Lyte and Bill Moore

Jesus I my cross have taken
All to leave and follow thee
Destitute, despised, forsaken
Thou from hence my all shall be
Perish every fond ambition
All I've sought or hoped or known
Yet how rich is my condition
God and heaven are still my own

Soul then know thy full salvation
Rise o'er sin and fear and care
Joy to find in every station
Something still to do or bear
Think what Spirit dwells within thee
Think what Father's smiles are thine
Think that Jesus died to win thee
Child of heaven canst thou repine

Haste thee on from grace to glory
Armed by faith and winged by prayer
Heaven's eternal day's before thee
God's own hand shall guide us there
Soon shall close thy earthly mission
Soon shall pass thy pilgrim days
Hope shall change to glad fruition
Faith to sight and prayer to praise

❖ 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.

❖ HIS LOVE CAN NEVER FAIL

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My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail
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Worship Leaders

Joe Beam	drums
Daniel Campbell	keyboard & vocals
Joe Deegan	guitar & vocals
Jessica & James Gray	reading
Conrad Guthrie	bass
Clay Holland	liturgy & sermon
Carey Lewis	electric guitar
Laura Patterson	prayer
Yvonne Smith	viola
Steven Wiggs	cello
Jessica Wrabel	vocals

Audio/Visual Team

Reese Dowiak	camera
Colette McMurtrey	camera
Max Gomez-Wright	camera
Namath Naif	audio
Arjan Voogt	projections
Natalie Voogt	video director

The cover artwork – titled “grafted” – is by artist Annie Whitehead Burdette.

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

Today	Membership Class	Room A300	10:30 - 11:45 am
Today	Young Adults Lunch & Lessons	Room A300	11:45 am - 1:00 pm
Tonight	Student Ministry Sunday Nights	Christ the King	6:00 - 7:30 pm
10/27	Ridgecrest Mentorship Training	The Great Hall	11:00 am - 12:00 pm
10/29 - 10/31	Middle School Fall Weekend	Camp Cho-Yeh	
10/31	Code 45 Food Drive Starts!	Main Street	
10/31	Congregational Meeting	The Sanctuary	After each service
11/3	Grief Support Groups Begin	Christ the King Counseling Center	

Ridgecrest Mentorship Training

October 27, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm, The Great Hall

If you are interested in being a mentor to an elementary school student, please join us for this training session! With just a small investment of time each week, you can make a big difference in the life of a student. Contact Mary Elizabeth Heard for more details.

Congregational Meeting

October 31, after each service

There will be a Congregational Meeting following both worship services on Sunday, October 31, for the purpose of releasing Taylor Leachman from his call as Associate Pastor at Christ the King.

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.



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 (1st floor, through the Great Hall, and up the stairs)

Student Ministry

(3rd floor)

Adult Sunday

Morning Class

(3rd Floor)

Adult Sunday Morning Classes

New Classes Begin on October 31 - Everyone is Welcome!

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.

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 10/17/21	\$ 3,404,423
Received as of 10/17/21	\$ 2,196,814
Variance	\$ (1,207,609)