CHRIST THE KING
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 24, 2026

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM
*please stand if you are able

*CALL TO WORSHIP — Ephesians 1:3-6
Rev. Dave Lindberg

"Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved."

*SONG — "Come Praise And Glorify"
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Verse 1
Come praise and glorify our God,
the Father of our Lord.
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms,
His blessings on us poured.
For pure and blameless in His sight
He destined us to be,
And now we've been adopted through
His Son eternally.

Chorus
To the praise of Your glory,
to the praise of Your mercy and grace
To the praise of Your glory,
You are the God who saves!

Verse 2
Come praise and glorify our God,
who gives His grace in Christ.
In Him our sins are washed away,
redeemed through sacrifice.
In Him God has made known to us
the myst'ry of His will;
That Christ should be the head of all,
His purpose to fulfill.
Chorus

Verse 3
Come praise and glorify our God,
for we've believed the Word.
And through our faith we have a seal,
the Spirit of the Lord.
The Spirit guarantees our hope
until redemption's done,
Until we join in endless praise to God,
the Three in One.
Chorus x2

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH The Nicene Creed

Christians, what do you believe?

We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

*That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

GOD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

*SONG "Only A Holy God"

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Verse 1
Who else commands all the hosts of heaven
Who else could make every king bow down
Who else could whisper
and darkness trembles
Only a Holy God

Verse 2
What other beauty demands such praises
What other splendour 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

Verse 3
What other glory consumes like fire
What other power can raise the dead
What other name remains undefeated
Only a Holy God
Chorus

Verse 4
Who else could rescue me from my failure
Who else would offer His only Son
Who else invites me to call Him Father
Only a Holy God, only my Holy God
Chorus (x2)

CONFESSION OF SIN — Book of Common Prayer

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

(Please pause for silent confession.)

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON — 2 Corinthians 5:14-15, 17

Leader: *"We have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised…Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold the new has come." So, I can say with confidence to all who truly confess and repent of their sin by grace through faith: In Christ you are forgiven!*
People: Thanks be to God.

SONG — "Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing"
(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)
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Verse 1
Come Thou Fount of every 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.

Verse 2
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,
Wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed His precious blood.

Verse 3
O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let that grace now like a fetter,
Bind my wandering 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.

*SCRIPTURE READING — Ephesians 4:4-16; 5:1-2, 15-21
RE Greg Gorman

There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to the one hope that belongs to your call— 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all. 7 But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. 8 Therefore it says,

"When he ascended on high
he led a host of captives,
and he gave gifts to men."

9 (In saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower regions, the earth? 10 He who descended is the one who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

…Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

…Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, 21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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

PASTORAL 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

*SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 12:18-29

18 For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest 19 and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. 20 For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." 21 Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, 23 and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the

sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

25 See that you do not refuse him who is speaking. For if they did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less will we escape if we reject him who warns from heaven. 26 At that time his voice shook the earth, but now he has promised, "Yet once more I will shake not only the earth but also the heavens." 27 This phrase, "Yet once more," indicates the removal of things that are shaken—that is, things that have been made—in order that the things that cannot be shaken may remain. 28 Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, 29 for our God is a consuming fire.

The Word of the Lord. / ***Thanks be to God.***

GOD FEEDS US AT HIS TABLE

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- *CTK welcomes all baptized believers who are communing members of gospel-believing churches to participate in the Supper; gluten-free and nut-free bread is in a small box on the plate.*

SONG DURING COMMUNION — Instrumental

*SONG — "Goodness of God"

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Verse 1
I love You, Lord.
Oh, Your mercy never fails me.
All my days
I've been held in Your hands.
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God.

Chorus
All my life You have been faithful.
All my life You have been so, so good.
With every breath that I am able.
I will sing of the goodness of God.

Verse 2
I love Your voice.
You have led me through the fire.
In darkest nights,
You are close like no other.
I've known You as a father.
I've known You as a friend.
I have lived in the goodness of God.
Chorus (x2)

GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

*BENEDICTION — 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

*GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

SERMON NOTES

"Intro to Membership at CTK: Life Together in The Community of Love (Vow #4)"

MEMBERSHIP VOWS

- Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save [except] in His sovereign mercy?
- Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
- Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
- **Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?**
- Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

1. THE CHURCH'S WORSHIP

2. THE CHURCH'S WORK

3. THE BEST OF YOUR ABILITY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date for an upcoming shower for Amy Joy Olivo and new daughter Adeline! The shower will be **Sunday afternoon, June 14 from 3:00 to 5:00 pm** at the home of Kelly and Steve Walter, 1211 Statler Drive, Duncanville TX 75116. Please mark your calendars and plan to join the ladies of CTK and some of Amy Joy's family as they celebrate the Olivos' recent adoption of Adeline and her new home with them. Please contact Kelly at keldbel@gmail.com if you would like to join her in planning for the shower. More details will follow.

Christian Education — the **elementary** class will resume on **June 7;** the **adult** class will continue through **July 5** focusing on questions and answers about our current sermon series (elementary students are welcome to join their parents in the adult class on May 31). All classes meet at 9:15 am.

Bible Studies — The **Women's Study** will meet on **Thursday, June 4 from 9:30-11:00 am** at the home of Karla Pollock (1123 Douglas Drive, Cedar Hill); they are discussing Kathleen Nielson's book *Bible Study: Following the Way of the Word*. See Penny Embry for a book and to know which chapters will be discussed next. The **Men's Study** (Romans) will meet next on **Wednesday, June 3 at 7:00 pm** at Bearded Axe Brewery in downtown Midlothian.

Bridges Safehouse and Family Resource Center, a ministry in Cedar Hill, provides an excellent way to serve in our broader community. If you would like to learn more about ways to volunteer at the resource center, please check out the table near the welcome desk and/or reach out to Karla Pollock (pennypig_tx@msn.com) or Penny Embry (penny.embryple@gmail.com). The **May collection** is deodorant and body wash.

About Christ the King

Christ the King is a church community that seeks to LOVE GOD AND LOVE NEIGHBOR in our WORSHIP, RELATIONSHIPS, AND SERVICE in Midlothian and beyond!

Our Core Beliefs

We believe that the Bible is God's word of self-revelation to the world in which all that we need for salvation and godly living in communion with the Triune God is revealed.

We believe that in love God created everything out of nothing by merely speaking, that he delights in his good creation, and that he rules and reigns over all things as one who is perfectly good, holy, and just.

We believe that God has always related to his people covenantally (relationally) through appointed representatives (e.g. Adam, Abraham, Moses, David, and Jesus).

We believe that all of salvation comes to us in Christ Jesus, who is the gospel, and that the greatest need of all people is communion with God in Jesus!

CTK Community Groups:

Duncanville meets 5:00 to 7:00 pm two Sundays a month in the home of Calvin and Katie Pitts (for more information contact: calvinedgarpitts@gmail.com). ***Next Meets: May 24.***

Cedar Hill meets 4:00 to 6:00 pm two Sundays a month in the home of Jim and Janet Gilchrist (for more information contact: janet.gilchrist@sbcglobal.net). ***Next Meets: May 24***.

Midlothian meets 5:00 to 6:45 pm two Sundays a month in the home of Dave and Julie Lindberg (for more information contact: dave@ctktexas.com). ***Next Meets: May 24.***

Ovilla meets 6:30 to 8:30 pm two Tuesdays a month in the home of Nate and Amy Ford (for more information contact: amyrford@gmail.com). ***Next Meets: May 26***

Community Groups are designed to foster our Love of God and Neighbor as we gather to eat and pray together. We hope you find a group that works for you.

Elders

Dave Lindberg, Pastor (dave@ctktexas.com)
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Next Session Meeting: July 14 at 11:00 am

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