



CHRIST THE KING

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 6, 2026

GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

**please stand if you are able*

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Colossians 3:16-17
Rev. Dave Lindberg

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

*SONG

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“Come Christians Join to Sing”

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Verse 1

Come Christians join to sing
Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King
Alleluia! Amen!
Let all with heart and voice
Before His throne rejoice
Praise is His gracious choice
Alleluia! Amen!

Verse 2

Come lift your hearts on high
Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky
Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend
Our cry He will attend
His love shall never end
Alleluia! Amen!

Verse 3

Praise yet our Christ again
Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain
Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore
His goodness we'll adore
Singing forevermore
Alleluia! Amen!

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Question 1 of the Heidelberg Catechism

Christian, what do you believe?

I believe that my only comfort in life and in death is:

That I am not my own, but that I belong, body and soul, to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a

way that without the will of my Heavenly Father not a hair can fall from my head; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Therefore, because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready, from now on, to live for him. Amen.

GOD CLEANSSES US FROM OUR SIN

***SONG**

“When I Survey the Wondrous Cross”

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Verse 1

(unison)

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.

Verse 2

(women lead, men echo)

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....

Verse 3

(women lead, men echo)

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?...

Verse 4

(unison)

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.

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**

Romans 5:6-10

“While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person...but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.” Therefore, in Christ you are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God.

SONG

(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)

Verse 1

For the beauty of the earth,
For the glory of the skies,
For the love which from our birth
Over and around us lies:

Chorus

Christ, our God, to Thee we raise
This, our sacrifice of praise.

Verse 2

For the beauty of each hour
Of the day and of the night,
Hill and vale, and tree and flow'r,
Sun and moon, and stars of light:

Chorus

“For the Beauty of the Earth”

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Verse 3

For the joy of human love,
Brother, sister, parent, child,
Friends on earth, and friends above;
For all gentle thoughts and mild:

Chorus

Verse 4

For each perfect Gift of Thine,
To our race so freely giv'n:
Graces human and divine,
flow'rs of earth and buds of heav'n.

Chorus

*SCRIPTURE READING

John 6:41-58
Karla Pollock

41 So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” 42 They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’” 43 Jesus answered them, “Do not grumble among yourselves. 44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day. 45 It is written in the Prophets, ‘And they will all be taught by God.’ Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me— 46 not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. 47 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. 48 I am the bread of life. 49 Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. 50 This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. 51 I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

52 The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” 53 So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. 54 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. 55 For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. 56 Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. 57 As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. 58 This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.”

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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

*SERMON TEXT

Exodus 15:22-27

22 Then Moses made Israel set out from the Red Sea, and they went into the wilderness of Shur. They went three days in the wilderness and found no water. 23 When they came to Marah, they could not drink the water of Marah because it was bitter; therefore it was named Marah. 24 And the people grumbled against Moses, saying, "What shall we drink?" 25 And he cried to the LORD, and the LORD showed him a log, and he threw it into the water, and the water became sweet.

There the LORD made for them a statute and a rule, and there he tested them, 26 saying, "If you will diligently listen to the voice of the LORD your God, and do that which is right in his eyes, and give ear to his commandments and keep all his statutes, I will put none of the diseases on you that I put on the Egyptians, for I am the LORD, your healer."

27 Then they came to Elim, where there were twelve springs of water and seventy palm trees, and they encamped there by the water.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: 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 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

***DOXOLOGY**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

SERMON NOTES
“Sustained By Grace”
Exodus 15:22-18:27

THE GRUMBLING PEOPLE

THE GRACIOUS GOD

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christian Education — the **elementary** and **adult** classes will resume meeting on September 13.

Informational Meeting on Sunday, September 13 following worship. All are welcome and encouraged to join us for updates on the 2026-2027 Budget, current financials, and ministry plans for the fall.

Men's and Women's Bible Studies — information is forthcoming.

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 **September the collection** is baby wash, lotion, and diaper cream.

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 **September 20** (5:00 to 7:00 pm) in the home of Calvin and Katie Pitts (contact: calvinedgarpitts@gmail.com).

Cedar Hill meets **September 6 and 20** (4:00 to 6:00 pm) in the home of Jim and Janet Gilchrist (contact: janet.gilchrist@sbcglobal.net).

Midlothian next meeting **TBD** (5:00 to 6:45 pm) in the home of Dave and Julie Lindberg (contact: dave@ctktexas.com).

Ovilla meets **TBD** (6:30 to 8:30 pm) in the home of Nate and Amy Ford (contact: amyrford@gmail.com).

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

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