

# CHRIST THE KING

The Lord's Day, September 25, 2022

*Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost<sup>1</sup>*

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<sup>1</sup> The Church has long used symbolic color in its worship. As the dominating colors of God's creation change from season to season, so do the liturgical colors of the Church calendar. The sequence of colors is meant to enhance the celebratory aspect of worship and to teach the Gospel story throughout the year. Green is the color of living things and God's creation and is used during the season of Pentecost to celebrate the growth of the church.

## For Reflection

If two angels were to receive at the same moment a commission from God, one to go down and rule earth's grandest empire, the other to go and sweep the streets of its meanest village, it would be a matter of entire indifference to each which service fell to his lot, the post of ruler or the post of scavenger; for the joy of the angels lies only in obedience to God's will, and with equal joy they would lift a Lazarus in his rags to Abraham's bosom, or be a chariot of fire to carry an Elijah home.

—John Newton

Prelude

Down By the Riverside

**GOD CALLS US**

Call to Worship

Celebrant Blessed be God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen**

Hymn of Praise

**Immortal, Invisible**

Immortal invisible God only wise  
In light inaccessible  
Hid from our eyes  
Most blessed most glorious  
The Ancient of Days  
Almighty victorious  
Thy great name we praise

Unresting unhasting  
And silent as light  
Nor wanting nor wasting  
Thou rulest in might  
Thy justice like mountains  
High soaring above  
Thy clouds which are fountains  
Of goodness and love

Great Father of glory  
Pure Father of light  
Thine angels adore thee  
All veiling their sight  
All praise we would render  
O help us to see  
'Tis only the splendor  
Of light hideth thee  
Amen

**Collect of the Day: Proper 21**

O merciful Lord, grant to your faithful people pardon and peace, that we may be cleansed from all our sins and serve you with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**GOD CLEANSSES US**

**Confession of Sin (unison)**

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.**

**Private Confession**

**Declaration of Pardon and Passing of the Peace**

Celebrant     Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Thanks be to God!**

Celebrant:     The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

*The people greet one another, and then join in the following hymn.*

## Hymn of Joy

### Christ is Mine Forevermore

Mine are days that God has numbered  
I was made to walk with Him  
Yet I look for worldly treasure  
And forsake the King of kings

*But mine is hope in my Redeemer  
Though I fall His love is sure  
For Christ has paid for every failing  
I am His forevermore*

Mine are tears in times of sorrow  
Darkness not yet understood  
Through the valley I must travel  
Where I see no earthly good

*But mine is peace that flows from heaven  
And the strength in times of need  
I know my pain will not be wasted  
Christ completes His work in me*

Mine are days here as a stranger  
Pilgrim on a narrow way  
One with Christ I will encounter  
Harm and hatred for His name

*But mine is armour for this battle  
Strong enough to last the war  
And He has said He will deliver  
Safely to the golden shore*

*And mine are keys to Zion city  
Where beside the King I walk  
For there my heart has found its treasure  
Christ is mine forevermore*

## Welcome

*Children are dismissed for CTKids with the following call and response.*

Leader        Jesus said, Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden  
People        **And I will give you rest.**  
                  Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me  
                  **For I am gentle and lowly in heart,**  
                  **and you will find rest for your souls.**  
                  For my yoke is easy  
                  **And my burden is light.**

*The Leader then prays for the children and the teachers, then asks the children to recite their memory verse for the month:*

Children        **Trust in the Lord with all your heart —Proverbs 3:5**

People         **Go in peace!**

## Announcements

**September 27:** Ladies' Cocktail Night @ 7:00pm

**October 4:** Guys' Pub Night @ 7:00pm

**October 15:** Church Picnic at McCarren Park @ 12pm

## GOD SPEAKS TO US

### The Lessons

#### Psalm 146 (New Coverdale Psalter)

Praise the Lord, O my soul; \*

**while I live I will praise the Lord.**

Indeed, as long as I have my being, \*

**I will sing praises unto my God.**

Put not your trust in princes, nor in any child of man, \*

**for there is no help in them.**

For when one breathes his last, he shall return again to the earth, \*

**and in that day all his thoughts perish.**

Blessed is the one who has the God of Jacob for his help \*

**and whose hope is in the Lord his God,**

Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is therein; \*

**who keeps his promise for ever;**

Who does right to those who suffer wrong; \*

**and who feeds the hungry.**

The Lord sets prisoners free; \*

**the Lord gives sight to the blind.**

The Lord helps those who have fallen; \*

**the Lord loves the righteous.**

The Lord cares for the strangers in the land;

he defends the fatherless and widow; \*

**but the way of the ungodly he makes crooked.**

The Lord shall be King for evermore, \*

**even your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Praise the Lord.**

Reader            Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

People            **as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

#### 1 Timothy 6:11-19 (ESV)

##### Fight the Good Fight of Faith

<sup>11</sup> But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness. <sup>12</sup> Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and about which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. <sup>13</sup> I charge you in the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, <sup>14</sup> to keep the commandment unstained and free from reproach until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ,

<sup>15</sup> which he will display at the proper time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, <sup>16</sup> who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. <sup>18</sup> They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, <sup>19</sup> thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.

Reader            The Word of the Lord  
People            **Thanks be to God**

### **Luke 16:19-31 (ESV)**

#### **The Rich Man and Lazarus**

<sup>19</sup> “There was a rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. <sup>20</sup> And at his gate was laid a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, <sup>21</sup> who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover, even the dogs came and licked his sores. <sup>22</sup> The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried, <sup>23</sup> and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. <sup>24</sup> And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in anguish in this flame.’ <sup>25</sup> But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner bad things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. <sup>26</sup> And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ <sup>27</sup> And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house— <sup>28</sup> for I have five brothers—so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.’ <sup>29</sup> But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the Prophets; let them hear them.’ <sup>30</sup> And he said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ <sup>31</sup> He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the Prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’ ”

Reader            The Gospel of the Lord  
People            **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

**Sermon**

Pastor Matt

## WE RESPOND TO GOD

### The Nicene Creed (unison)

We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only-begotten Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God, begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
he ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father,\*  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\* As a gesture of Christian unity with our brothers and sisters in the East, we omit the *filioque* ("and from the Son").

## The Prayers of the People

*In the waters of baptism, the church is called to be God's family, to minister to one another and to serve the world. Therefore, we pray for ourselves, for one another, and for all those in need of our prayers.*

Leader        Almighty creator and loving Father, you make us and sustain us.  
Reveal your glory to us in the heavens and throughout our world.  
Grant us the ears to hear the speech that all your works declare.  
May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts  
be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock and our redeemer;  
for this, O Lord, we pray:

**People        Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader        Father of the fatherless and protector of the vulnerable,  
we pray for the marginalized in our communities.  
Grant them access to material and spiritual resources  
and the motivation to pursue them.  
We pray for the refugees arriving at our doorsteps,  
may Christ the King display to them your hospitality and grace,  
for this, O Lord, we pray:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader        Give grace to us, our families and friends, and to all our neighbors,  
that we may honor all people as the offspring of our one Father.  
Bless and guide our leaders and give wisdom to all in authority.  
Direct this and every nation in the ways of justice and of peace,  
so that all may rejoice in your precepts and desire your law;  
for this, O Lord, we pray:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader        Father of mercies, your sun rises on both the evil and the good,  
and you send rain upon both the righteous and the unrighteous.  
Help us to show your comfort and healing even to our enemies,  
so that all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit may see your love,  
that together we may be perfect, even as you are perfect;  
for this, O Lord, we pray:  
**Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader        And for what else should we pray?

*Members of the congregation may add their own intercessions for the church and the world.*

Leader Loving God, we offer these prayers, joining our voices to the great chorus of those who sing your praise and depend on you alone. We long for that day when all your children will live in your peace and praise your name. Until that day, give us sturdy patience and enduring hope, rooted only in Jesus, in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

## Offertory

*The offering is a way for members and friends of Christ the King to support the church's mission and ministry.\* If you are our guest today, please feel under no compulsion to give. For those wishing to give online, please see the flow code at the back of the bulletin.*

## Music

### I Know Who Holds Tomorrow

I don't know about tomorrow, I just live from day to day  
I don't borrow from its sunshine, For its skies may turn to gray  
I don't worry o'er the future, For I know what Jesus said  
And today I'll walk beside Him, For He knows what is ahead

*Many things about tomorrow  
I don't seem to understand  
But I know who holds tomorrow  
And I know who holds my hand*

Ev'ry step is getting brighter, As the golden stairs I climb  
Ev'ry burden's getting lighter, Ev'ry cloud is silver-lined  
There the sun is always shining, There no tear will dim the eye  
At the ending of the rainbow, Where the mountains touch the sky

I don't know about tomorrow  
It may bring me poverty  
But the One who feeds the sparrow  
Is the One who stands by me  
And the path that is my portion  
May be through the flame or flood  
But His presence goes before me  
And I'm covered with His blood

## GOD COMMUNES WITH US

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts!

**We lift them up to the Lord!**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. For you are the source of light and life; you made us in your image and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!**

### **The Prayer of Consecration**

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat; this is my Body, which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**Christ has died!  
Christ is risen!  
Christ will come again!**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ:

**By him, and with him, and in him,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

**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 sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
And 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.**

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Christ the King welcomes all baptized Christians to receive Holy Communion with us.*

*We will be coming forward to receive Holy Communion. Those not wishing to receive the Eucharist (including children who do not yet receive) may cross their hands over their chest and will receive a blessing (or you may simply stay in your seat).*

*Please note that we use wine in the Eucharist. If you cannot receive wine, non-alcoholic grape juice is available in the outer ring of the trays.*

## **Communion Music**

### **Better is One Day**

How lovely is Your dwelling place  
O Lord almighty  
For my soul longs and even faints for You  
For here my heart is satisfied  
Within Your presence  
I sing beneath the shadow of Your wings

*Better is one day in Your courts  
Better is one day in Your house  
Better is one day in Your courts  
Than thousands elsewhere  
(Than thousands elsewhere)  
(REPEAT)*

One thing I ask and I would seek  
To see Your beauty  
To find You in the place  
Your glory dwells  
(REPEAT)

My heart and flesh cry out  
For You the living God  
Your Spirit's water to my soul  
I've tasted and I've seen  
Come once again to me  
I will draw near to You  
I will draw near to You to You

Better is one day better is one day  
Better is one day than thousands elsewhere  
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## **Silent Prayers for Reflection**

### ***Prayer for Those Searching***

*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 Christ, I admit that I am weak and sinful, but through you I am loved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death in order to offer me forgiveness and renewal. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord. Amen.*

### ***Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin***

*Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and faithfully follow you in life. Amen.*

### ***Prayer of Commitment to God's People***

*Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the steps necessary to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.*

### **Prayer of Thanksgiving (unison)**

Heavenly Father,  
We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
of the most precious Body and Blood  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
that we are living members of the body of your Son,  
and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.  
And now, Father, send us out to do the work  
you have given us to do,  
to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Hymn

### I Have Decided

I have decided to follow Jesus  
I have decided to follow Jesus  
I have decided to follow Jesus  
No turning back no turning back

Though none go with me I still will follow  
Though none go with me I still will follow  
Though none go with me I still will follow  
No turning back no turning back

Everything all I am  
And all I have to bring I will give to You  
My everything all I am  
And all I have to bring I will give to You

And I will follow my heart surrendered  
My Jesus I am Yours  
And I will follow my life in Your hands  
My Jesus I am Yours

## GOD COMMISSIONS US

### Benediction and Dismissal

May the Spirit of truth lead you into all truth, giving you grace to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord and to proclaim the wonderful works of God; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Let us go forth in the Name of Christ

**Thanks be to God!**

### Postlude

Stand By Me

*The pastoral staff and other church leaders are available following the service to pray with you or to answer your questions about the Christian faith or Christ the King Church.*

**Christ the King would like to thank our musicians:**

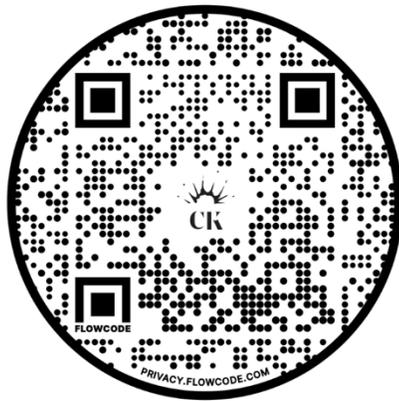
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*\* God's mercy and grace are displayed through the generosity and kindness of his people. The Mercy Team at Christ the King seeks to care for those who have financial, physical, spiritual or emotional needs. If you have an immediate need, please speak to Pastor Matt or email [mercy@ctk.nyc](mailto:mercy@ctk.nyc) and someone will be in touch with you. If able, please consider giving to the mercy fund of Christ the King.*

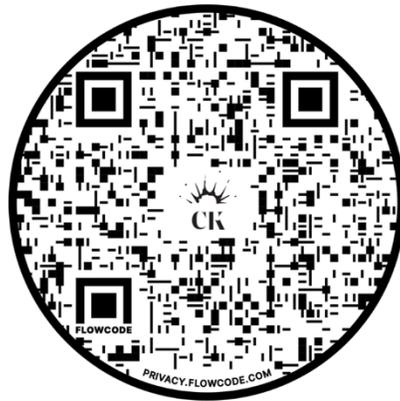
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## CONNECT WITH US



## GIVE ONLINE



**WELCOME VISITORS.** We are happy that you have chosen to worship with us and we would love for you to be a part of what God is doing in and through this new church. To receive our e-newsletter, please take a picture of the flow code above and fill out your contact information.

- **Visitors with Children.** Children of all ages are welcome in the service. In addition to infant & toddler nurseries, we offer Children's Church, a time of worship & teaching for children 3 years old through 5th grade. Children attending Children's Church are dismissed prior to the sermon and will return for the Eucharist.
- **Parents of Infants and Toddlers.** Childcare is available during the service for children up to 3 years in the fellowship hall in the basement. Please label all personal items and sign

your child in at the sign-up table at the bottom of the stairs. Your children will be returned to you prior to the Eucharist.

**Home Groups** that meet in homes to study the Bible and build genuine community, are the backbone of Christ the King and a principal way that we care for one another and help each other grow spiritually. To learn more, please email Christina at [hospitality@ctk.nyc](mailto:hospitality@ctk.nyc). We currently offer groups in the following neighborhoods:

- **Williamsburg:** Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 hosted in rotation
- **Greenpoint:** Wednesdays 6:00-8:00 hosted at the Dishmans
- **Park Slope:** Wednesdays 7:00-9:00 hosted at the Browns
- **Downtown BK:** Thursdays TBD hosted at the Knotts, alternating men and women
- **Ft Greene:** Thursdays 7:30-9:30 hosted in rotation, alternating men, women, and everyone

† **Lectionary.** A lectionary is a selection of readings from the Scriptures, intended for reading and preaching in the worship of the Church. The *Book of Common Prayer* (2019) commends a three-year cycle of weekly lections that follows closely the Revised Common Lectionary used in many traditions. The lectionary is built around the seasons of the Church Year, and includes four lections for each Sunday, as well as additional readings for major feast days. During most of the year, the lections are: a reading from the Hebrew Bible, a Psalm, a reading from the Epistles, and a Gospel reading. During the season of Easter, the Hebrew Bible lection is usually replaced with one from the Acts of the Apostles.

To discover the lectionary passages for any given Sunday and for Small Group discussion the week prior, you may consult the *Book of Common Prayer* (2019), beginning on page 717 [<https://bcp2019.anglicanchurch.net>]. We are currently in Year C.

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