

# INFORMATION & ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Today at Christ the King

9:15am Worship Service  
4:30pm Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

## Sunday School Classes

There are no Sunday school classes today or next week.

## Wednesdays at Christ the King

Our Wednesday night groups will not meet on 12/27 and 1/3

## Reminders for Next Week - 12/31

Sound: Taylor Wilkinson  
Communion: Hashmans  
Nursery: Jacob Blakely & Cailyn Woods

## Upcoming Events

Please join us back this evening at 4:30 for our candlelight Christmas Eve service. We will read Scripture, sing hymns, and glory in the majesty of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ!

## For Our Visitors

We are so glad you are here! We invite your whole family to participate in worship together, but for those who desire we have a loving and safe Nursery for children 4 and under, located downstairs and to the right.

If you are visiting for the first time, please fill out a connect card found in the pew back in front of you, and place it in the offering plate.

Immediately after service, please join us downstairs for a time of coffee and fellowship. At 11am, we will break into our Sunday school classes for all ages, pre-K through Adult. On the first Sunday of even months, we have a potluck fellowship meal after service in place of our Sunday school classes.

The women's restroom is located downstairs through the first door on the left. The men's restroom is across the fellowship hall in the back right corner.

Please feel free to connect to CTKWifi using the password: [whatwouldjesusdo](#)

For more information, upcoming events, to receive email updates, and to get connected, please visit us online at [www.ctkjoplin.com](http://www.ctkjoplin.com).

*Our full church calendar is online at...*  
[www.ctkjoplin.com/upcoming-events](http://www.ctkjoplin.com/upcoming-events)

# Christ the King

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*Exalting Christ  
Equipping the Saints  
Extending the Kingdom*

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SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP  
DECEMBER 24, 2023

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**Call to Worship** ✧

Luke 1:68-69 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people and has raised up a horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David.

*Joy to the World!* ✧

**Prayer for God’s Blessing** ✧

*Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* ✧

Craig Patterson **Reading of the Law**

Matt. 22:35-40 Leader: And one of them asked Jesus a question to test him. “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?”

*People: And Jesus said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”*

**Unison Confession of Sin**

*People: 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 and mind and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. In your mercy forgive us these many sins, and renew us that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen.*

**Silent Prayer of Confession**

**Assurance of God’s Mercy**

Romans 5:1-2 Leader: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

*O Come, O Come, Emmanuel* ✧

*Hark! The Herald Angels Sing* ✧

✧ Congregation Standing

**Confession of Faith** ✧

From the Nicene Creed

*People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

\*The word “catholic” means universal; that is, there is one church across all times, places, and peoples.

**Scripture Reading**

Luke 2:22-32 | “Simeon's Song”

Levi Bakerink **Pastoral Prayer**

*People: Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your 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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.*

Levi Bakerink **Sermon**

John 1:14-18 | “God With Us: Fulfilled”

*For All That You Have Done* ✧

[At this time we take up our weekly offering]

**Lord’s Supper**

[We invite all professing, baptized believers to partake of the Lord’s Supper. We use gluten-free bread and either wine (red) or juice (white)]

*Doxology* ✧

**Benediction** ✧

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**Announcements**

[Please be seated after the service for announcements]

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