

# Christ the King

Wishing you a safe and blessed Sunday



You are the king of glory, O Christ,  
you are the everlasting Son of the Father.  
May your kingdom come in us on earth,  
as it is in heaven, Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

Christ, we confess you as King of kings and Lord of lords;  
come, rule in our hearts, and claim us as part of your kingdom.  
May we re-dedicate our lives to you and to your glory.  
We pray for all who are working to for the bringing of your kingdom,  
for those striving for justice, peace and freedom.  
Lord, we seek to do your will.

**Your kingdom come in us as it is in heaven.**

We pray for all who are struggling at this time,  
for all who feel they cannot cope.  
We pray for those who feel lost,  
those who long for salvation.  
We remember the lonely and all those who mourn.  
Lord, we seek do your will.

**Your kingdom come in us as it is in heaven.**

We pray for those in power, for the leaders of all nations,  
that they may govern with wisdom and integrity.  
We pray for those living without freedom, whose lives  
have been destroyed by conflict and war.  
We name in our hearts those places in the world we  
especially wish to pray for.  
Lord, we seek to do your will.

**Your kingdom come in us as it is in heaven.**

Christ, O King, ruler of heaven and earth,  
in you we triumph over darkness and death,  
in you we have eternal life.



We pray for all our loved ones who have departed this life,  
that we may be one with you and your saints in your kingdom;  
and that we will be raised up to where you reign  
with the Father and the Holy Spirit.

Lord, we seek to do your will.

**Your kingdom come in us as it is in heaven.**

### **Our Bible readings for this week:**

#### **Ephesians 1: 15-23**

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

#### **Matthew 25: 31-46**

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was



thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or

thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

### **Collect**

God the Father,  
help us to hear the call of Christ the King  
and to follow in his service,  
whose kingdom has no end;  
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, one glory.

**Amen**



Come Lord, rule in our hearts.  
Come Lord, rule in our homes.  
Come Lord, rule in our lives.  
Come Lord, and transform your people.  
Lord, we seek to do your will.  
**Your Kingdom come in us as it is in  
heaven. Amen**

Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of everyone who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.

### **Blessing**

To him who is able to keep us from falling,  
to Christ our King and our Saviour,  
be praise and glory  
for ever and ever;  
and may the blessing of God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit  
be with us and our loved ones,  
now and forever. **Amen**

**“And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the  
head over all things...”**