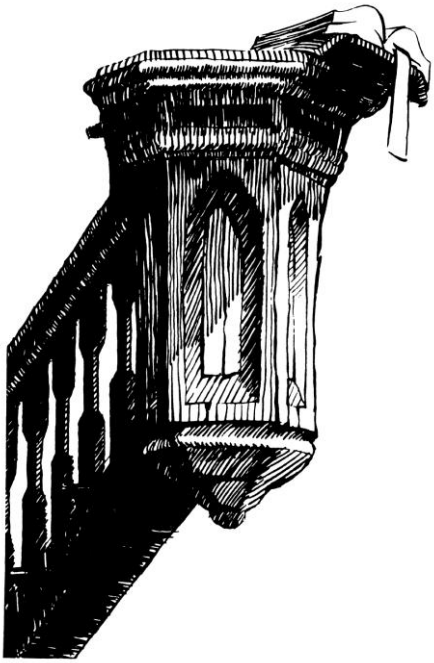
Christ Presbyterian Church

I have kept back nothing, but have declared to you
the whole counsel of God. —Acts 20:27



Covenant Renewal Service

27 July 2014

Be thoughtful, be silent, be reverent;
for here we meet with a holy God.

Before the service, speak to the Lord;
during the service, let the Lord speak to you;
after the service, speak to one another.

About Receiving Communion

All who trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, are baptized members in good standing of congregations that proclaim the gospel, are repentant of their sin and are at peace with their brothers and sisters in Christ are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper, feeding on the grace of God by faith. If you have not put your trust in Christ, please allow the elements to pass you by and take this opportunity to meditate on the meaning of the Gospel.

A Word to Parents: Baptized children are invited to the table after they have made a profession of faith and have been received as communing members by the church to which their parents belong.

As instituted by our Lord, wine is the element used in the Lord's Supper to show forth his blood shed on our behalf (Mark 14:23–25; 1 Cor 10:16; 11:20–21, 25; 1 Tim 4:3–4). If, however, for reasons of conscience, you are not able to participate using wine, grape juice is provided in the center of the tray. Also, gluten-free crackers are available for those who cannot eat bread.

Nursery today:	Laurie Boswell
	Linda Dykstra, Barbara Moore
Next Sunday:	Mary Jo Canales
	Paula Ea, Brit Osterling

Helpers, please be in the nursery by 10:20 to receive children.

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

Amidst us our beloved stands,
And bids us view his piercéd hands;
Points to the wounded feet and side,
Blest emblems of the Crucified.

What food luxurious loads the board,
When at his table sits the Lord!
The wine how rich, the bread how sweet,
When Jesus deigns the guests to meet!

If now, with eyes defiled and dim,
We see the signs, but see not him,
O may his love the scales displace,
And bid us see him face to face!

O glorious Bridegroom of our hearts,
Your present smile a heaven imparts!
O lift the veil, if veil there be;
Let every saint your glory see!

God Calls Us

Trinitarian Confession and Salutation

Minister: We are gathered in the Name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19*

People: Our help is in the name of the Lord,
who made heaven and earth! *Psalm 124:8*

Minister: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father
and Christ Jesus our Lord! *1 Timothy 1:2b*

People: Amen.

Call to Worship Colossians 3:15–17

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. 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.

↑ **Hymn 347** The Church's One Foundation *Trinity Hymnal*

↑ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin 1 Corinthians 5:6–8

Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? Cleanse out the old leaven that you may be a new lump, as you really are unleavened. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed. Let us therefore celebrate the festival, not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth

Corporate Confession of Sin and Supplication for Mercy *(unison)*

Father, we acknowledge that we are sinners and that we are in need of cleansing. We repent of our sins of commission and of omission; of the corruption of our thoughts, words, and deeds; of the malice, jealousy, strife, and selfishness we have shown; of our lack of love, forgiveness, thankfulness, and unity. Grant us forgiveness, dear Father, for the sake of your dear Son. May your Holy Spirit fill us with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. May we long to do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus and be ever mindful of his sacrifice on our behalf. May we receive his word and enjoy his presence with reverence and with joy, united in fervent praise, one with each other and with him. In his precious name, *Amen.*

Declaration of Forgiveness 1 Corinthians 6:9–11

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

↑ ***The Doxology*** (#731) *Trinity Hymnal*

God Consecrates Us

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture 1 John 1:5–2:6

[5] This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you,
that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. [6] If we say we
have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do
not practice the truth. [7] But if we walk in the light, as he is in the
light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus
his Son cleanses us from all sin. [8] If we say we have no sin, we
deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. [9] If we confess our
sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us
from all unrighteousness. [10] If we say we have not sinned, we make
him a liar, and his word is not in us.

2 My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you
may not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the
Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. [2] He is the propitiation for our
sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.
[3] And by this we know that we have come to know him, if we keep
his commandments. [4] Whoever says "I know him" but does not
keep his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him, [5] but
whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected.
By this we may know that we are in him: [6] whoever says he abides
in him ought to walk in the same way in which he walked.

↑ Jesus Invites His Saints

Jesus invites his saints
To meet around his board;
Here pardoned rebels sit and hold
Communion with their Lord.
He freely gives his flesh;
He freely gives his blood:
Amazing favor, matchless grace
Of our descending God!

By faith the bread and wine
Maintain our fainting breath,
By union with our living Lord
And int'rest in his death.
Our heav'nly Father calls
Christ and his members one,
For we're the children of his love
And he the first-born Son.

We are but different parts
Of this same broken bread;
One body has its several limbs,
But Jesus is its Head.
Let all our powers be joined
His gracious name to raise;
Let love and joy fill every mind,
Let every voice be praise!

Heidelberg Catechism: *Lord's Day 28b (Question 77)*

Q.77 Where does Christ promise
to nourish and refresh believers
with his body and blood
as surely as
they eat this broken bread
and drink this cup?

A.77 In the institution of the Lord's Supper:

"The Lord Jesus, on the night when he was betrayed
took bread, and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and said,
"Take, eat, this is my body which is for you.
Do this in remembrance of me."
In the same way also the cup, after supper, saying,
"This cup is the new covenant in my blood;
Do this, as often as you drink it,
in remembrance of me."
For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup,
you proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes."

This promise is repeated by Paul in these words:

"The cup of blessing which we bless,
is it not a participation in the blood of Christ?
The bread which we break,
is it not a participation in the body of Christ?
Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body,
for we all partake of the one bread."

Preaching of the Word Rev. John Canales

Sermon Text: 1 Corinthians 11:17–34

17 In the following instructions I do not commend you, because
when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse.
18 For, in the first place, when you come together as a church, I hear
that there are divisions among you. And I believe it in part, 19 for
there must be factions among you in order that those who are
genuine among you may be recognized. 20 When you come
together, it is not the Lord's supper that you eat. 21 For in eating,
each one goes ahead with his own meal. One goes hungry, another
gets drunk. 22 What! Do you not have houses to eat and drink in?
Or do you despise the church of God and humiliate those who
have nothing? What shall I say to you? Shall I commend you in
this? No, I will not.

23 For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that
the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread,
24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my
body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the
same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is
the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in
remembrance of me." 26 For as often as you eat this bread and drink
the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

27 Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord
in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and
blood of the Lord. 28 Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat
of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and
drinks without discerning the body eats and drinks judgment on
himself. 30 That is why many of you are weak and ill, and some have
died. 31 But if we judged ourselves truly, we would not be judged.
32 But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that
we may not be condemned along with the world.

33 So then, my brothers, when you come together to eat, wait for
one another— 34 if anyone is hungry, let him eat at home—so that
when you come together it will not be for judgment. About the
other things I will give directions when I come.

Prayer of Intercession

↑ **Hymn 424** Shepherd of Souls, Refresh and Bless *Trinity Hymnal*

Sermon Notes

1 Corinthians 11:17–34; *Heidelberg Catechism: Question 77*

God Communes with Us

↑ **Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed** p. 845, *Trinity Hymnal*

↑ ***The Gloria Patri*** (#735) *Trinity Hymnal*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Wine is used for the communion,
but grape juice is also available in the center of each tray.

Invitation and Supervision of the Table 1 Corinthians 11:23–29

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration
The minister will lead the congregation in prayer, concluding with the Lord's Prayer in unison:

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.

Words of Institution *Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:17–20*

Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Hymn — During the bread Blest Be the Tie That Binds

Blest be the tie that binds
Our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Before the Father's throne
We pour our ardent prayers;
Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

In sweet communion, Lord,
We gather 'round your word.
Oh, may your presence now be known,
Oh, may your voice be heard!

In signs of bread and wine
We're nourished by the Son;
His boundless grace and love divine
Unite our hearts as one.

And as we lift our voice
To praise the Lamb who died,
In him we glory and rejoice:
Our Savior, crucified!

Scripture Reading — During the cup John 15:1–17

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon)

Now may your servant, Lord,
according to your word,
depart in exultation.
My rest shall be serene,
for now my eyes have seen
your wonderful salvation.

You did for all prepare
this Gift, so great, so rare,
fulfilling prophets' story;
A Light to show the way
to Gentiles gone astray,
and unto Israel's glory.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

God Commissions and Blesses Us

The Collection of Alms and Tithes

Psalm 84 *Trinity Psalter*

↑ The Benediction

↑ Congregation stands as able

Unless otherwise noted, all Scripture quotes are from the ESV Bible ©2001.

Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church

We are delighted that you have chosen to join us for worship! It is our sincere hope and prayer that you will know and experience the love, power, and presence of our King and Savior Jesus Christ.

If you are visiting, please take a moment to fill out one of our visitor cards and place it in the collection plate. If you desire any additional information, or if there are ways in which we can pray for you or be of service to you, please let us know. We count it a privilege to serve our community in the name of Christ!

About our Church

Standing in the great biblical and evangelical tradition of the Protestant Reformation, Christ Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA). We are committed to the Bible as the Word of God, the Reformed Faith, and the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

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