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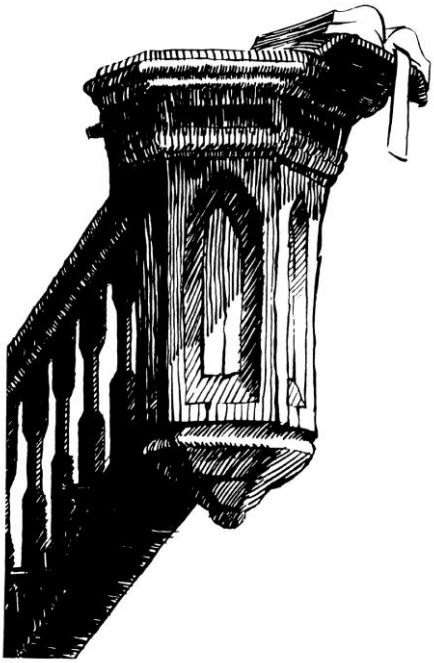
I have kept back nothing, but have declared to you
the whole counsel of God. —Acts 20:27



Covenant Renewal Service

21 June 2015

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.

Wine is 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). **Grape juice** is provided in the center of the tray for those who, for reasons of conscience, are not able to participate using wine.
Gluten-free crackers are available for those who cannot eat bread.

Hearing Assistance is available at the audio desk in the sanctuary.

Nursery today:	Susan Miller
	Naomi Dykstra
Next Sunday:	Laurie Boswell
	Abby Jones

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

Reflection

Lust is the craving for salt of a man who is dying of thirst.

— Frederick Buechner

What does not satisfy when we find it, was not the thing we were desiring.

— C.S. Lewis
The Pilgrim's Regress

Joy is not a substitute for sex; sex is very often a substitute for Joy. I sometimes wonder whether all pleasures are not substitutes for Joy.

— C.S. Lewis
Surprised by Joy

You are not able to subdue the least sin apart from Christ. But, by the help of the Holy Spirit, there is nothing that can master you.

— Charles Spurgeon

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying

"Wake, awake, for night is flying,"
the watchmen on the heights are crying;
"Awake, Jerusalem, at last!"
Midnight hears the welcome voices
and at the thrilling cry rejoices:
"Come forth, ye virgins, night is past!
The Bridegroom comes; awake,
Your lamps with gladness take!
Alleluia!
And for your marriage feast prepare,
For you must go to meet him there!"

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

Psalm 118:14–16, 24

The LORD is my strength and my song;
he has become my salvation.
Glad songs of salvation
are in the tents of the righteous:
"The right hand of the LORD does valiantly,
the right hand of the LORD exalts,
the right hand of the LORD does valiantly!"…
This is the day that the LORD has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

↑ **Hymn 169** My Heart Does Overflow *Trinity Hymnal*

↑ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin Isaiah 1:18

"Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD:
though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool."

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

Great Creator, we thank you
  for the gift and mystery of our bodies.
We thank you for the gift of loving sexual intimacy.
Forgive us the misuse and abuse of that gift.
For taking it too early, with the wrong person,
  for replacing love with lust,
  for separating concern from self-fulfillment.
Make us pure in love, discerning in passion.
Make us choose commitment over possession.
Christ Jesus, who came to reconcile and restore all relationships,
  heal and restore our fragile or broken marriages.
In your name, Lord, we pray. *Amen.*

Declaration of Forgiveness Psalm 103:8–13

The LORD is merciful and gracious,
  slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
He will not always chide,
  nor will he keep his anger forever.
He does not deal with us according to our sins,
  nor repay us according to our iniquities.
For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
  so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;
as far as the east is from the west,
  so far does he remove our transgressions from us.
As a father shows compassion to his children,
  so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

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

God Consecrates Us

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture Romans 6

[1] What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may
abound? [2] By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it?
[3] Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ
Jesus were baptized into his death? [4] We were buried therefore with
him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from
the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of
life.

[5] For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall
certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. [6] We know that
our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might
be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin.
[7] For one who has died has been set free from sin. [8] Now if we have
died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. [9] We know
that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no
longer has dominion over him. [10] For the death he died he died to sin,
once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. [11] So you also must
consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

[12] Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its
passions. [13] Do not present your members to sin as instruments for
unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have
been brought from death to life, and your members to God as
instruments for righteousness. [14] For sin will have no dominion over
you, since you are not under law but under grace.

[15] What then? Are we to sin because we are not under law but under
grace? By no means! [16] Do you not know that if you present yourselves
to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey,
either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to
righteousness? [17] But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves
of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of
teaching to which you were committed, [18] and, having been set free

from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. [19] I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness leading to sanctification.

[20] For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. [21] But what fruit were you getting at that time from the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. [22] But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. [23] For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

↑ **Hymn 317** Wake, Awake, for Night is Flying *Trinity Hymnal*

Preaching of the Word Rev. John Canales

Sermon Text: Exodus 20:14, 1 Corinthians 6:12–20

Sexual Purity in an Impure World

Exodus 20:14

"You shall not commit adultery."

1 Corinthians 6:9–20

9 Or 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,10 nor
thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will
inherit the kingdom of God. 11 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.

12 "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All
things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything.
13 "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and
God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for
sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. 14 And
God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. 15 Do you
not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the
members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never!
16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes
one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one
flesh." 17 But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with
him. 18 Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits
is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his
own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the
Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your
own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Heidelberg Catechism: ***Lord's Day 41***

108 Q. What is God's will for us in the seventh commandment?

A.
God condemns all unchastity.
We should therefore thoroughly detest it
and, married or single,
live decent and chaste lives.

109 Q. Does God, in this commandment, forbid only such scandalous sin as adultery?

A.
We are temples of the Holy Spirit, body and soul,
and God wants both to be kept clean and holy.
That is why he forbids
everything which incites unchastity,
whether it be actions, looks, talk, thoughts, or desires.

Prayer of Intercession

↑ **Hymn 355** We Are God's People *Trinity Hymnal*

Baptism of covenant child

Revel Clark Munson
Son of Sumner and Ivy Munson

Congregational prayer for child

O Lord Jesus Christ, who embraces children with the arms of your mercy, and makes them living members of your Church: Give him grace, we pray, to stand fast in your faith, to obey your word, and to abide in your love; that, being made strong by your Holy Spirit, he may resist temptation and overcome evil, and may rejoice in the life that now is, and dwell with you in the life that is to come. We ask through your merits, O merciful Savior, who with the Father and the Holy Spirit live and reign as one God, time without end. Amen.

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

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

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

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 Jesus Lover of My Soul

Jesus, lover of my soul,
Let me to your bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll,
While the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,
Till the storm of life is past;
Safe into the haven guide,
O receive my soul at last.

You, O Christ, are all I want;
More than all in you I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is your name;
I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am,
You are full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with you is found,
Grace to cover all my sin;
Streams of mercy here abound,
Sinful souls to cleanse within.
You of life the fountain are,
Rich in goodness, full and free;
Feed me, make me yours, O Lord,
Now and through eternity.

Scripture Reading — During the cup Ezekiel 36:22–36

"Say to the house of Israel, Thus says the Lord GOD: It is not for your sake, O house of Israel, that I am about to act, but for the sake of my holy name, which you have profaned among the nations to which you came. And I will vindicate the holiness of my great name, which has been profaned among the nations, and which you have profaned among them. And the nations will know that I am the LORD, declares the Lord GOD, when through you I vindicate my

holiness before their eyes. I will take you from the nations and gather you from all the countries and bring you into your own land. I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules. You shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers, and you shall be my people, and I will be your God. And I will deliver you from all your uncleannesses. And I will summon the grain and make it abundant and lay no famine upon you. I will make the fruit of the tree and the increase of the field abundant, that you may never again suffer the disgrace of famine among the nations. Then you will remember your evil ways, and your deeds that were not good, and you will loathe yourselves for your iniquities and your abominations. It is not for your sake that I will act, declares the Lord GOD; let that be known to you. Be ashamed and confounded for your ways, O house of Israel.

"Thus says the Lord GOD: On the day that I cleanse you from all your iniquities, I will cause the cities to be inhabited, and the waste places shall be rebuilt. And the land that was desolate shall be tilled, instead of being the desolation that it was in the sight of all who passed by. And they will say, 'This land that was desolate has become like the garden of Eden, and the waste and desolate and ruined cities are now fortified and inhabited.' Then the nations that are left all around you shall know that I am the Lord; I have rebuilt the ruined places and replanted that which was desolate. I am the Lord; I have spoken, and I will do it."

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

Hymn 4 All Praise to God Who Reigns Above *Trinity Hymnal*

↑ The Benediction

↑ Congregation stands as able

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Sermon Notes

Sexual Purity in an Impure World

Exodus 20:14, 1 Corinthians 6:9–20

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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