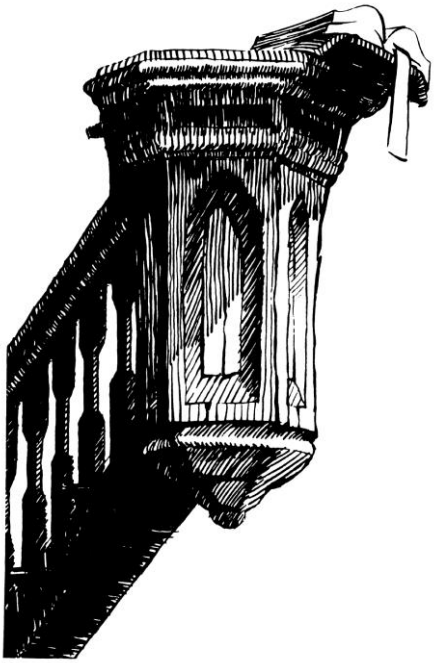
Christ Presbyterian Church

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



Covenant Renewal Service

14 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:	Dawn O'Banion
	Emma Rooney
Next Sunday:	Susan Miller
	Naomi Dykstra

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

Reflection

Christian writers (notably Milton) have sometimes spoken of the husband's headship with a complacency to make the blood run cold. We must go back to our Bibles. The husband is the head of the wife just in so far as he is to her what Christ is to the Church. He is to love her as Christ loved the Church—read on—*and give his life for her* (*Eph 5:25*). This headship, then, is most fully embodied not in the husband we should all wish to be but in him whose marriage is most like a crucifixion; whose wife receives most and gives least, is most unworthy of him, is—in her own mere nature— least lovable.

—C.S. Lewis
The Four Loves

To encounter Christ is to touch reality and experience transcendence. He gives us a sense of self-worth or personal significance, because He assures us of God's love for us. He sets us free from guilt because He died for us and from paralyzing fear because He reigns. He gives meaning to marriage and home, work and leisure, personhood and citizenship.

—John R.W. Stott

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father,
There is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be.

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided—
Great is Thy faithfulness," Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

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: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you. *Jude 2*
People: Amen.

Call to Worship Psalm 107:1–9

Minister: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;
People: His love endure forever.
Minister: Let the redeemed of the LORD say this–
those he redeemed from the hand of the foe,
People: those he gathered from the lands, from east and west, from north and south.
Minister: Some wandered in desert wastelands, finding no way to a city where they could settle.
People: They were hungry and thirsty, and their lives ebbed away.
Minister: Then they cried out to the LORD for his unfailing love and his wonderful deeds for men,
People: for he satisfies the thirsty and fills the hungry with good things.

↑ **Hymn 187** Zion Founded on the Mountains *Trinity Hymnal arr. Dubberly*

↑ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin Psalm 32:1–6a

Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.
For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.
For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Selah
I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not cover my iniquity;
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah
Therefore let everyone who is godly
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;
surely in the rush of great waters,
they shall not reach him.

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

Almighty God and loving Father,
We thank you for placing us in covenant relationships,
in homes and families and friendships.
Forgive us for taking our vows and promises lightly.
Forgive us for the breakdown of family life,
for misdirected love and for divorces entered lightly,
for failing to give time to our families,
for failing to teach and live by your values,
for neglecting and abusing our children.
Jesus, our heavenly brother,
teach us every day to love and serve,
to cherish and protect those with whom we live.
In your name we pray. *Amen.*

Declaration of Forgiveness Isaiah 53: 4–6

Surely he has borne our griefs
and carried our sorrows;
yet we esteemed him stricken,
smitten by God, and afflicted.
But he was pierced for our transgressions;
he was crushed for our iniquities;
upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace,
and with his wounds we are healed.
All we like sheep have gone astray;
we have turned—every one—to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on him
the iniquity of us all.

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

God Consecrates Us

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture 1 Corinthians 13

[1] If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I
am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. [2] And if I have prophetic
powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have
all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing.
[3] If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned,
but have not love, I gain nothing.

[4] Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not
arrogant [5] or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable
or resentful; [6] it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the
truth. [7] Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things,
endures all things.

[8] Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for
tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. [9] For we
know in part and we prophesy in part, [10] but when the perfect comes,
the partial will pass away. [11] When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I
thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I
gave up childish ways. [12] For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then
face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I
have been fully known.

[13] So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of
these is love.

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

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.

Preaching of the Word Rev. John Canales
Sermon Text: Exodus 20:14 *God, Sex and Marriage*

"You shall not commit adultery."

Prayer of Intercession

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

Baptism of covenant child

Liam Staton
Son of Alex and Melody Staton

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

Here, O my Lord, I see Thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things unseen;
Here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,
And all my weariness upon Thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the bread of God,
Here drink with Thee the royal wine of heaven;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
Here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heavenly table spread for me:
Here let me feast, and feasting, still prolong
The brief, bright hour of fellowship with Thee.

I have no help but Thine, nor do I need
Another arm save Thine to lean upon:
It is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
My strength is in Thy might, Thy might alone.

Mine is the sin, but Thine the righteousness;
Mine is the guilt, but Thine the cleansing blood;
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace,
Thy Blood, Thy righteousness, O Lord my God!

Scripture Reading — During the cup Revelation 19:1-6

After this I heard what seemed to be the loud voice of a great
multitude in heaven, crying out,
"Hallelujah!
Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
for his judgments are true and just;
for he has judged the great prostitute
who corrupted the earth with her immorality,
and has avenged on her the blood of his servants."

Once more they cried out,
"Hallelujah!
The smoke from her goes up forever and ever."
And the twenty-four elders and the four living creatures fell down
and worshiped God who was seated on the throne, saying, "Amen.
Hallelujah!" [5] And from the throne came a voice saying,
"Praise our God,
all you his servants,
you who fear him,
small and great."

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 12	Exalt the Lord	*Trinity Hymnal*

↑ The Benediction

↑ Congregation stands as able

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

Sermon Notes

God, Sex and Marriage

Exodus 20:14

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.

3410 Peters Colony Road • Flower Mound, Texas 75022 • 972-355-5892
www.ChristPresbyterian.org • email@ChristPresbyterian.org

Staff
Pastor – Rev. John Canales
Associate Pastor – Rev. Jahaziel Cantú
Chief Musician – Christopher Oglesby
Office Manager – Karen Brown

Elders: Daniel Beal, Ray White
Deacons: Leng Ea, Rod Miller