Christ Presbyterian Church

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



Covenant Renewal Service

January 15, 2017

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: Tami Smith

Hailey Smith

Next Sunday: Brit Osterling

Gray Canales

Reflection

The enjoyment of God is the only happiness with which our souls can be satisfied.

— Johnathan Edwards

Prelude

Of the Father's Love Begotten

Of the Father's love begotten ere the worlds began to be, he is Alpha and Omega, he the Source, the Ending he, of the things that are, that have been, and that future years shall see, evermore and evermore!

O that birth forever blessed, when the Virgin, full of grace, by the Holy Ghost conceiving, bore the Savior of our race; and the babe, the world's Redeemer, first revealed his sacred face, evermore and evermore!

This is he whom heav'n-taught singers sang of old with one accord, whom the Scriptures of the prophets promised in their faithful word; now he shines, the long-expected; let creation praise its Lord, evermore and evermore!

O ye heights of heav'n, adore him; angel hosts, his praises sing; all dominions, bow before him, and extol our God and King; let no tongue on earth be silent, ev'ry voice in concert ring, evermore and evermore!

Christ, to thee, with God the Father, and, O Holy Ghost, to thee, hymn, and chant, and high thanksgiving, and unwearied praises be, honor, glory, and dominion, and eternal victory, evermore and evermore!

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 113:1-3

Minister: Praise the LORD!

People: Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD!

Minister: Blessed be the name of the LORD.

from this time forth and forevermore!

People: From the rising of the sun to the setting of the same,

the name of the LORD is to be praised!

▲ Hymn 44

How Great Thou Art

Trinity Hymnal

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

Call to Confession of Sin

Psalm 103:2-5

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits,
who forgives all your iniquity,
who heals all your diseases,
who redeems your life from the pit,
who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy,
who satisfies you with good
so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

Corporate Confession of Sin and Supplication for Mercy (unison)

Great God of the universe, Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer, we confess our many sins before you today.

We have failed to believe you and to take refuge in you as our shield.

We have proven to be liars by adding to your Word.

We have refused to recognize our sinfulness, our helplessness, and our utter dependence on you.

We have not acknowledged you as the unchanging Father of lights,

Giver of every good and perfect gift.

In times of prosperity, we have forgotten you; in times of need, we have stolen

and we have profaned your name.

Now we pray humbly and repentantly for your forgiveness.

Give us thankful and submissive hearts.

Cause us to rejoice in your perfect providence as we praise the name of our Lord Jesus,

who perfectly provided for our redemption and sanctification through his death on the cross

and victorious resurrection. 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

Psalm 46 (responsive reading) Trinity Hymnal, pp. 802f.

▲ Hymn 463

A Debtor to Mercy Alone

Trinity Hymnal Arr. Dubberly

Preaching of the Word

Sermon Text: Philippians 1:1–11 (p. 980)

Rev. James Madden Christian Unity

¹ Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus, To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:

² Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

³I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, ⁴ always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. ⁶ And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ. ⁷ It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel. ⁸ For God is my witness, how I yearn for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus. ⁹ And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, ¹⁰ so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, ¹¹ filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

Prayer of Intercession

▲ Hymn 347

The Church's One Foundation

Trinity Hymnal

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

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.

<u>Words of Institution</u> Matt 26:26–28; Mk 14:22–24; Lk 22:17–20

Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

<u>Hymn — During the bread</u> He Was Wounded for Our Transgressions

He was wounded for our transgressions; He bore our sins in His body on the tree. For our guilt He gave us peace, From our bondage gave release; And with His stripes, and with His stripes And with His stripes our souls are healed.

He was numbered among transgressors, We did esteem Him forsaken by His God. As our sacrifice He died That the law be satisfied, And all our sin, and all our sin And all our sin was laid on Him.

We had wandered, we all had wandered Far from the fold of the Shepherd of the sheep. But He sought us where we were, On the mountain bleak and bare, And brought us home, and brought us home And brought safely home to God.

Who can number His generation?
Who shall declare all the triumphs of His cross?
Millions dead now live again,
Myriads follow in His train:
Victorious Lord, victorious Lord
Victorious Lord and coming King!

Scripture Reading — During the cup

Psalm 133

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

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



▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Philippians 1:1–11

Christian Unity

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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