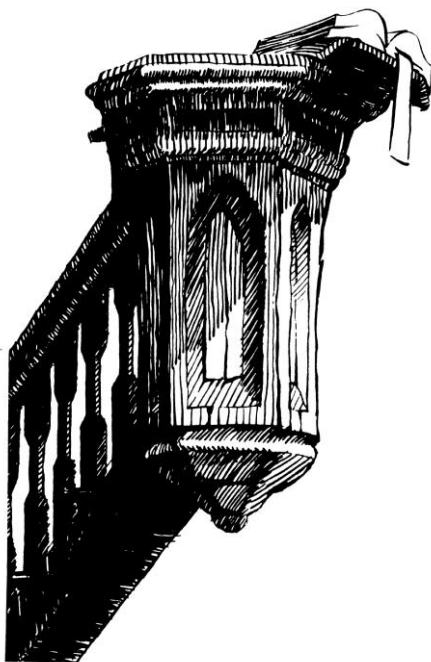


# Christ Presbyterian Church

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



Covenant Renewal Service

5 February 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:** Amanda Rooney  
Emma Rooney  
**Next Sunday:** Arlys Wydner  
Rhea Abuhl

# Reflection

So what do we do? Keep on sinning so God can keep on forgiving? I should hope not! If we've left the country where sin is sovereign, how can we still live in our old house there? Or didn't you realize we packed up and left there for good? That is what happened in baptism. When we went under the water, we left the old country of sin behind; when we came up out of the water, we entered into the new country of grace—a new life in a new land!

That's what baptism into the life of Jesus means. When we are lowered into the water, it is like the burial of Jesus; when we are raised up out of the water, it is like the resurrection of Jesus. Each of us is raised into a light-filled world by our Father so that we can see where we're going in our new grace-sovereign country. *The Message*

Romans 6:1–5

All love in general has an assimilating efficacy; it casts the mind into the mold of the thing beloved. Every approach unto God by ardent love and delight is transfiguring.

John Owen

# *We Prepare to Meet with God*

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## **Prelude**

Love divine, all loves excelling, Joy of heaven, to earth come down:  
Fix in us thy humble dwelling, all thy faithful mercies crown:  
Jesus, thou art all compassion, a pure, unbounded love thou art;  
Visit us with thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe thy loving Spirit into every troubled breast;  
Let us all in thee inherit, let us find thy promised rest:  
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;  
End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all thy life receive;  
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore thy temples leave.  
Thee we would be always blessing, serve thee as thy hosts above,  
Pray, and praise thee without ceasing, glory in thy perfect love.

# *God Calls Us*

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## **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 92:1–4*

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;  
to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithfulness by night,  
to the music of the lute and the harp,  
to the melody of the lyre.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;  
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

▲ **Hymn 4**

All Praise to God

*Trinity Hymnal*

▲ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

## God Cleanses Us

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### Call to Confession of Sin

1 Peter 2:1–3

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up to salvation—if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good.

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

Lord, we have tasted that you are good;  
your mercies are new every morning.  
Yet we confess that we continue to sin.  
We have been guilty of malice,  
deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander.  
We have not longed for your word,  
your ways, your appointed means of grace.  
Forgive us, dear Father, and cleanse us from our sins.  
May your Holy Spirit transform our lives.  
May the knowledge of your mercy,  
of our salvation through the death of your precious Son,  
cause us to hate evil and cling to his cross alone.  
We ask these things through Christ,  
who loved the church and gave himself up for her,  
that he might sanctify her,  
having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word,  
so that he might present the church to himself in splendor,  
without spot or wrinkle or any such thing,  
that she might be holy and without blemish, *Amen.*

### Declaration of Forgiveness

1 Peter 2:9–10

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

# *God Consecrates Us*

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Reading of Scripture

Song of Solomon 2:3–17 (p. 560)

<sup>3</sup> As an apple tree among the trees of the forest,  
so is my beloved among the young men.

With great delight I sat in his shadow,  
and his fruit was sweet to my taste.

<sup>4</sup> He brought me to the banqueting house,  
and his banner over me was love.

<sup>5</sup> Sustain me with raisins;  
refresh me with apples,  
for I am sick with love.

<sup>6</sup> His left hand is under my head,  
and his right hand embraces me!

<sup>7</sup> I adjure you, O daughters of Jerusalem,  
by the gazelles or the does of the field,  
that you not stir up or awaken love  
until it pleases.

<sup>8</sup> The voice of my beloved!  
Behold, he comes,  
leaping over the mountains,  
bounding over the hills.

<sup>9</sup> My beloved is like a gazelle  
or a young stag.

Behold, there he stands  
behind our wall,  
gazing through the windows,  
looking through the lattice.

<sup>10</sup> My beloved speaks and says to me:

“Arise, my love, my beautiful one,  
and come away,

<sup>11</sup> for behold, the winter is past;  
the rain is over and gone.



<sup>12</sup>The flowers appear on the earth,  
the time of singing has come,  
and the voice of the turtledove  
is heard in our land.

<sup>13</sup>The fig tree ripens its figs,  
and the vines are in blossom;  
they give forth fragrance.

Arise, my love, my beautiful one,  
and come away.

<sup>14</sup>O my dove, in the clefts of the rock,  
in the crannies of the cliff,  
let me see your face,  
let me hear your voice,  
for your voice is sweet,  
and your face is lovely.

<sup>15</sup>Catch the foxes for us,  
the little foxes  
that spoil the vineyards,  
for our vineyards are in blossom.”

<sup>16</sup>My beloved is mine, and I am his;  
he grazes among the lilies.

<sup>17</sup>Until the day breathes  
and the shadows flee,  
turn, my beloved, be like a gazelle  
or a young stag on cleft mountains

Ephesians 5:25b–27 (p. 979)

<sup>25</sup> Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup> that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup> so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish.

## Preaching of the Word

Rev. John Canales

**Sermon Text:** 1 Corinthians 6:9–11 (p. 955)

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<sup>9</sup> 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, <sup>10</sup> nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.

<sup>11</sup> 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.

## Prayer of Intercession

▲ Hymn 460

Amazing Grace!

*Trinity Hymnal*

## *God Communes with Us*

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▲ **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.**

*Words of Institution*

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

*Distribution of the Bread and the Cup*

Amidst us our beloved stands,  
And bids us view his piercé 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!

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. 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. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace...

For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. 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. 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. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## *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*

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#### **The Collection of Alms and Tithes**

**Psalm 84**

*Trinity Psalter*

#### **▲ The Benediction**

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▲ Congregation stands as able

# **Sermon Notes**

1 Corinthians 6:9–11

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# 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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