

Order for the Public Worship of God

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

Christ
Church OPC

Biblical Confessional Reformed

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*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: Stephanie Ansell
Audrey Ansell

Next Sunday: Dawn O'Banion
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Reflection

The gospel is perfect in all its parts, and perfect as a whole: it is a crime to add to it, treason to alter it, and felony to take from it.

— Charles Spurgeon

In some cases even the conscience of men is perverted so that they believe their worst crimes to be virtues. No marvel then that men's judgment of themselves should often be erroneous.

— W.S. Plumer

When we give ourselves to be guided and governed by God's word we are in no danger of going astray.

— John Calvin

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray

Rise, my soul, to watch and pray,
from thy sleep awaken;
Be not by the evil day
unaware's o'er taken.
For the foe, well we know,
oft his harvest reapeth
while the Christian sleepeth.

Watch against the devil's snares,
lest from sleep he find thee;
For indeed no pains he spares
to deceive and blind thee.
Satan's prey, oft are they
who secure are sleeping
and no watch are keeping.

Watch! Let not the wicked world
with its pow'r defeat thee.
Watch lest with her pomp unfurled
she betray and cheat thee.
Watch and see, lest there be
faithless friends to charm thee,
who but seek to harm thee.

Watch against myself thy soul,
lest with grace thou trifle;
Let not self thy thoughts control
nor God's mercy stifle.
Pride and sin, lurk within
all thy hopes to scatter;
Heed not when they flatter.

Continues...

But while watching, also pray
to the Lord unceasing.
He will free thee, be thy stay,
strength and faith increasing.
O Lord, bless in distress
and let nothing swerve me
from the will to serve thee.

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*

**All: 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*

All: Amen.

Call to Worship

Psalm 34:1-3

Minister: I will bless the LORD at all times

All: his praise shall continually be in my mouth

Minister: My soul makes its boast in the LORD

All: let the humble hear and be glad

Minister: Oh, magnify the LORD with me

All: and let us exalt his name together!

▲ **Hymn 122** God, All Nature Sings Thy Glory

▲ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin

James 2:8–11

If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it. For he who said, “Do not commit adultery,” also said, “Do not murder.” If you do not commit adultery but do murder, you have become a transgressor of the law.

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

Lord, you made man upright,
but we have sought out many sinful inventions.
We did not continue in honor
but became like beasts that perish.

By one man sin entered the world, and death by sin,
and so death passed upon all men, for we have all sinned.
By that one man’s disobedience
many were made sinners.

We are the seed of evil doers,
we have been called transgressors from the womb.
We were shaped in iniquity,
and in sin did our mothers conceive us.
We are by nature children of wrath.
We all have gone aside
and become altogether filthy,
there is none that do good, no not one.

So we ask
in the name of the one man who did do good, Jesus Christ,
that you would see fit to forgive us of our sins,
and give us the righteousness that came by the one man.
It is in his name, Jesus Christ,
that we ask for this mercy, *Amen*.

⤴ **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Micah 7:18–19

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity
and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance?
He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.
He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities underfoot.
You will cast all our sins
into the depths of the sea.

⤴ **The Doxology (#731)**

Trinity Hymnal

God Consecrates Us

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture

Romans 1:16–32 (p. 939)

▲ Hymn

From Depths of Woe

Tune: RUF

From depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication:
If Thou iniquities dost mark, Our secret sins and misdeeds dark,
O who shall stand before Thee? (Who shall stand before Thee?)
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To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works, alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth:
No man can glory in thy sight, all must alike confess thy might,
And live alone by mercy. (And live alone by mercy.)
And live alone by mercy. (And live alone by mercy.)

Therefore, my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;
On him my soul shall rest, his Word upholds my fainting spirit:
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort, and my sweet support;
I wait for it with patience. (I wait for it with patience.)
I wait for it with patience. (I wait for it with patience.)

What though I wait the livelong night, and till the dawn appeareth,
My heart still trusteth in his might; it doubteth not nor feareth:
Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the spirit born indeed;
And wait till God appeareth. (And wait till God appeareth.)
And wait till God appeareth. (And wait till God appeareth.)

Though great our sins and sore our woes,
his grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is he, who will at last his Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow. (From all their sin and sorrow.)
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Preaching of the Word

Rev. Miller Ansell

Sermon Text: Psalm 19 (p. 456)

The Two Books of Revelation

Prayer of Intercession

▲ **Hymn 150** The Law of God is Good and Wise

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.**

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

Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

How blest is he whose trespass has freely been forgiv'n,
Whose sin is wholly covered before the sight of heav'n.
Blest he to whom Jehovah will not impute his sin,
Who has a guileless spirit, whose heart is true within.

While I kept guilty silence my strength was spent with grief,
Thy hand was heavy on me, my soul found no relief;
But when I owned my trespass, my sin hid not from thee,
When I confessed transgression, then thou forgavest me.

So let the godly seek thee in times when thou art near;
No whelming floods shall reach them,
nor cause their hearts to fear.
In thee, O Lord, I hide me, thou savest me from ill,
And songs of thy salvation my heart with rapture thrill.

I graciously will teach thee the way that thou shalt go,
And with mine eye upon thee my counsel make thee know.
But be ye not unruly, or slow to understand;
Be not perverse, but willing to heed my wise command.

The sorrows of the wicked in number shall abound,
But those that trust Jehovah, his mercy shall surround.
Then in the Lord be joyful, in song lift up your voice.
Be glad in God, ye righteous, rejoice, ye saints, rejoice.

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that 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. Consider the people of Israel: are not those who eat the sacrifices participants in the altar? What do I imply then? That food offered to idols is anything, or that an idol is anything? No, I imply that what pagans sacrifice they offer to demons and not to God. I do not want you to be participants with demons. You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons. You cannot partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. Shall we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than he? So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

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 19: 7–14

Trinity Psalter

▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Psalm 19

The Two Books of Revelation

Welcome to Christ Church OPC

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 Church is a congregation of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church (OPC). 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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