

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

Gray Canales

Next Sunday: Dawn O'Banion

Jack Canales

Reflection

We have a real problem in this country when it comes to values. We have become the kind of society that civilized countries used to send missionaries to.

— William Bennett
in an interview on *The MacNeil/Lehrer NewsHour*

Mission is not a burden laid upon the church; it is a gift and a promise to the church that is faithful. The command arises from the gift. Jesus reigns and all authority has been given to him in earth and heaven. When we understand that, we shall not need to be told to let it be known. Rather, we shall not be able to keep silent.

— Lesslie Newbigin
Mission in Christ's Way

Missions is not the ultimate goal of the church. Worship is. Missions exists because worship doesn't...

In missions we simply aim to bring the nations into the white-hot employment of God's glory.

— John Piper
Let the Nations Be Glad!

The greatest hindrances to the evangelization of the world are those within the church.

— John R. Mott
The Evangelization of the World in This Generation

It may take a crucified church to bring a crucified Christ before the eyes of the world.

— W. E. Orchard
The Temple

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

By Faith

Words and Music by Keith & Kristyn Getty and Stuart Townend

By faith we see the hand of God
In the light of creation's grand design,
In the lives of those who prove His faithfulness,
Who walk by faith and not by sight.

*We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith the church was called to go
In the pow'r of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
In ev'ry corner of the earth.

*We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

By faith this mountain shall be moved
And the pow'r of the gospel shall prevail,
For we know in Christ all things are possible
For all who call upon His name.

*We will stand as children of the promise;
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward.
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
We'll walk by faith and not by sight.*

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: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father
and Christ Jesus our Lord!** *1 Timothy 1:2b*

All: Amen.

Call to Worship

Psalm 96:1-4

Minister: Oh sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth!

**All: Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

Minister: Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples!

**All: For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be feared above all gods.**

✦ **Psalm 96**

Trinity Psalter

✦ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin

Proverbs 28:13

Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,
but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

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

Holy God,

we groan at our weaknesses, and we ask forgiveness.

Your Word is so clear, and your grace is so good.

But we close our ears to your call,

and with our perverse pride we foul the gifts you have given us.

Like your servant Paul, we know what you require of us;

yet, like Paul, what we do is not the good we want to do,

and the evil we do not want to do, that evil we keep on doing.

We mistreat those we love,

and we dishonor you, the One who made us.

How long, O Lord, will we continue to ignore your will?

Yet you provide streams of living mercy;

you invite us again and again to live renewed lives.

So we turn once again to the cross,

to the empty cross, to the stone rolled away,

to our interceding Lord Jesus Christ seated at your right hand,

to the gracious gift of your Spirit.

We seek your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

We draw upon your promises,

and we ask once again simply for mercy.

With your Holy Spirit, sanctify us.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, for we ask it in Christ's name. *Amen.*

▲ Declaration of Forgiveness

Isaiah 43:25

“I, I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake,
and I will not remember your sins.”

▲ The Doxology (#731)

Trinity Hymnal

God Consecrates Us

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture

Isaiah 42:1–17 (p. 602)

▲ Hymn 353 I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

Preaching of the Word

Rev. John Canales

Sermon Text: Acts 14:19–28 (p. 923)

The Three-Legged Stool of Mission

Prayer of Intercession

▲ Hymn 532 Teach Me, O Lord, Thy Holy Way

Tune: GERMANY

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.

Distribution of the Bread and the Cup

Hymn — During the bread

Here, O My Lord, I See Thee Face to Face

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
Here would I touch and handle things unseen,
Here grasp with firmer hand th'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 heav'n;
Here would I lay aside each earthly load,
And taste afresh the calm of sin forgiv'n.

This is the hour of banquet and of song;
This is the heav'nly 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.

He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

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 Oh, How Good It Is

Oh, how good it is when the fam'ly of God
dwells together in spirit, in faith and unity.
Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love
are the fruits of His presence here among us.

*So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord;
And with one heart we'll live out His Word.
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come
for He dwells in the presence of his people.*

Oh, how good it is on this journey we share,
to rejoice with the happy and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength, the afflicted find grace,
When we offer the blessing of belonging.

*So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord;
And with one heart we'll live out His Word.
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come
for He dwells in the presence of his people.*

Oh, how good it is to embrace His command
to prefer one another, forgive as He forgives.
When we live as one, we all share in the love
of the Son with the Father and the Spirit.

*So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord;
And with one heart we'll live out His Word.
Till the whole earth sees the Redeemer has come
for He dwells in the presence of his people.*

▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Acts 14:19–28

The Three-Legged Stool of Mission

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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