

# 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  

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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:** Holly Pixley  
Greyson Ea

**Next Sunday:** Laurie Boswell  
Jacob Pixley

# Reflection

Atheism is due to sin and not science.

— Rev. David Silversides

There is no stupidity more brutish than forgetfulness of God.

— John Calvin

Words are cheap; but what a man says in his heart shows whether he is a wise man or a fool, a saint or a sinner. The seat of all goodness and of all wickedness in man is his heart.

— W.S. Plumer

Those eat the people, who draw only profit from them, and who do not employ their station for the glory of God, and the salvation of those over whom they are placed.

— Martin Luther

# We Prepare to Meet with God

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## Prelude

Psalm 14

Tune: *PASSION CHORALE*

Within his heart the fool spoke,  
And said, "There is no God!"  
Destructive in their vile deeds,  
Not one of them does good.  
The Lord looks down from heaven  
Upon the human race:  
Has anyone shown wisdom,  
Does any seek God's face?

Together they're corrupted;  
They all have turned aside.  
Not one for good has labored,  
Not even one has tried.  
Have all of them no knowledge  
Whose deeds are so abhorred?  
Like bread they eat My people,  
And call not on the Lord.

There they will be in terror,  
For God is with the just.  
Though you would shame the wretched,  
The Lord remains his trust.  
From Zion, send salvation,  
And help to Israel bring!  
The Lord restores His captives:  
Let Jacob—Israel—sing!

# 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*

**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

*1 Chronicles 16:23–27*

Minister: Sing to the LORD, all the earth!  
Tell of his salvation from day to day.

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

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

**All: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols,  
but the LORD made the heavens.**

Minister: Splendor and majesty are before him;  
strength and joy are in his place.

▲ **Hymn 2**      O Worship the King

▲ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

# God Cleanses Us

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## Call to Confession of Sin

Proverbs 3:5–8

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make straight your paths.  
Be not wise in your own eyes;  
fear the Lord, and turn away from evil.  
It will be healing to your flesh  
and refreshment to your bones.

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

From John Calvin's Geneva Liturgy of 1543

Lord God, eternal and almighty Father:  
We acknowledge before your holy majesty  
that we are poor sinners,  
conceived and born in guilt and in corruption,  
prone to do evil,  
unable of our own power to do good.  
Because of our sin, we endlessly violate your holy commandments.  
But, O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow  
we repent and turn away from all our offenses.  
We condemn ourselves and our evil ways,  
with true sorrow asking that your grace will relieve our distress.  
Have compassion on us, most gracious God,  
Father of mercies, for the sake of your son Jesus Christ our Lord.  
And in removing our guilt, also grant us  
daily increase of the grace of your Holy Spirit,  
and produce in us the fruits of holiness  
and of righteousness pleasing in your sight:  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

## ⤴ Declaration of Forgiveness

John 3:14–17

And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

## ⤴ The Doxology (#731)

Trinity Hymnal

## God Consecrates Us

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### Prayer for Illumination

### Reading of Scripture

Romans 3 (p. 940)

## ⤴ Hymn 497 I Need Thee, Precious Jesus

### Preaching of the Word

Rev. Miller Ansell

**Sermon Text:** Psalm 14 (p. 453) *Salvation in the Midst of Fools*

### Prayer of Intercession

## ⤴ Hymn 257 Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted

## 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*



Hymn — During the bread

Ah, Holy Jesus, How Hast Thou Offended

Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended,  
That man to judge thee hath in hate pretended?  
By foes derided, by thine own rejected,  
O most afflicted.

Who was the guilty who brought this upon thee?  
Alas, my treason, Jesus, hath undone thee.  
'Twas I, Lord Jesus, I it was denied thee:  
I crucified thee.

Lo, the Good Shepherd for the sheep is offered;  
The slave hath sin-ned, and the Son hath suffered:  
For man's atonement, while he nothing heedeth,  
God intercedeth.

For me, kind Jesus, was thine incarnation,  
Thy mortal sorrow, and thy life's oblation:  
Thy death of anguish and thy bitter passion,  
For my salvation.

Therefore, kind Jesus, since I cannot pay thee,  
I do adore thee, and will ever pray thee,  
Think on thy pity and thy love unswerving,  
Not my deserving.

And when the hour came, he reclined at table, and the apostles with him. And he said to them, “I have earnestly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer. For I tell you I will not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, “Take this, and divide it among yourselves. For I tell you that from now on I will not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.” And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood. But behold, the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. For the Son of Man goes as it has been determined, but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!” And they began to question one another, which of them it could be who was going to do this.

### ***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**

**Hymn 457**    Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

### **▲ The Benediction**

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▲ Congregation stands as able

# **Sermon Notes**

Psalm 14

*Salvation in the Midst of Fools*

# 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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