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



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.

SERVING IN THE NURSERY TODAY

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When Jesus Christ utters a word, he opens his mouth so wide that it embraces all heaven and earth, even though that word be but in a whisper.

— Martin Luther

The Lord who vacated his tomb has not vacated his throne.

— G.R. Beasley-Murray

He values not Christ at all who does not value Christ above all.

— Augustine

You cannot have the gifts of Christ apart from the government of Christ.

— A. Lindsay Glegg

Jesus cannot be our Savior unless he is first our Lord.

— Hugh C. Burt

Christ is either Lord of all or he is not Lord at all.

— J. Hudson Taylor

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

O soul, are you weary and troubled? No light in the darkness you see? There's light for a look at the Savior, and life more abundant and free!

Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in his wonderful face; and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of his glory and grace.

Through death in to life everlasting; he passed, and we follow him there; over us sin no more hath dominionfor more than conqu'rors we are!

Refrain

His word shall not fail you—he promised; believe him and all will be well: Then go to a world that is dying, his perfect salvation to tell!

Refrain

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 67

Minister: May God be gracious to us and bless us

and make his face to shine upon us,

All: that your way may be known on earth,

your saving power among all nations.

Minister: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you!

All: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

Minister: for you judge the peoples with equity

and guide the nations upon earth.

All: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

let all the peoples praise you!

Minister: The earth has yielded its increase;

God, our God, shall bless us.

All: God shall bless us;

let all the ends of the earth fear him!

▲ **Hymn 57** Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah, O My Soul

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise: I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days. Put no confidence in princes, nor for help on man depend; he shall die, to dust returning, and his purposes shall end.

Happy is the man that chooses Israel's God to be his aid; he is blessed whose hope of blessing on the Lord his God is stayed. Heav'n and earth the Lord created, sea and all that they contain; he delivers from oppression, righteousness he will maintain.

Food he daily gives the hungry, sets the mourning pris'ner free, raises those bowed down with anguish,

makes the sightless eye to see.

Well Jehovah loves the righteous, and the stranger he befriends, helps the fatherless and widow, judgment on the wicked sends.

Hallelujah, praise Jehovah, O my soul, Jehovah praise: I will sing the glorious praises of my God through all my days. Over all God reigns forever, through all ages he is King; unto him, your God, O Zion, joyful hallelujahs sing.

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

Call to Confession of Sin

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Corporate Confession of Sin and Supplication for Mercy (unison)

Righteous God,

you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.

We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule.

We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all,

that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,

who is evermore the King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

We ask this in his name. Amen.

▲ Declaration of Forgiveness

based on Revelation 5:5, 9–10

Do not weep!

See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has triumphed.

With his blood he has purchased people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.

He has made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.

▲ The Doxology (#731)

Trinity Hymnal

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Reading of Scripture

Revelation 5

¹Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. ² And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" ³And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ⁴ and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. 5 And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." ⁶ And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. ⁸ And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. 9 And they sang a new song, saying,

"Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹² saying with a loud voice,

"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

¹³ And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

"To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

¹⁴ And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

▲ **Hymn 295** Crown Him with Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own: awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified: no angel in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of peace; whose pow'r a scepter sways from pole to pole that wars may cease, absorbed in prayer and praise: his reign shall know no end; and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of years, the Potentate of time; creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime: all hail, Redeemer, hail! for thou hast died for me: thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity.

Preaching of the Word

Sermon Text: Proverbs 21:1

Rev. John Canales Christ the Sovereign Ruler of All

Tune: AURELIA

The king's heart is a stream of water in the hand of the LORD; he turns it wherever he will.

Prayer of Intercession

▲ Psalm 67

O God, give us your blessing, extend to us your grace, and cause to shine upon us the radiance of your face; in order that your pathways would through earth be known, that you to ev'ry nation would your salvation show.

O God, let peoples praise you; Let all the peoples praise. Let nations come rejoicing, and songs of gladness raise; for you will judge the peoples with perfect equity; you will for all earth's nations their guide and leader be.

O God, let peoples praise you; Let all the peoples praise. The earth has brought its bounty throughout its harvest days; since God, our God, will bless us; Yes, God will blessing send, that all the earth may fear Him to its remotest end.

God Communes with Us

▲ Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

p. 845, Trinity Hymnal

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

★ The Gloria Patri (#735)

Trinity Hymnal

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Supervision of the Table

1 Corinthians 11:23-29

<u>Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration</u>

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

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. Christ Jesus... though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Revelation 19:11-16

Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords.

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 710 God of Our Fathers

God of our fathers, whose almighty hand; leads forth in beauty all the starry band; of shining worlds in splendor through the skies, our grateful songs before thy throne arise.

Thy love divine hath led us in the past; in this free land by thee our lot is cast; be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay; thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence, be thy strong arm our ever sure defense; thy true religion in our hearts increase, thy bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

Refresh thy people on their toilsome way, lead us from night to never-ending day; fill all our lives with love and grace divine, and glory, laud, and praise be ever thine.

▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Proverbs 21:1 Christ the Sovereign Ruler of All

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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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