

# 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



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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.

### SERVING IN THE NURSERY TODAY

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# Reflection

They offer their children to God in baptism, and there they promise to teach them the doctrine of the gospel, and bring them up in the nurture of the Lord; but they easily promise, and easily break it; and educate their children for the world and the flesh, although they have renounced these, and dedicated them to God. This covenant-breaking with God, and betraying the souls of their children to the devil, must lie heavy on them here or hereafter. They beget children, and keep families, merely for the world and the flesh: but little consider what a charge is committed to them, and what it is to bring up a child for God, and govern a family as a sanctified society.

— Thomas Manton  
17<sup>th</sup>-century Puritan preacher

“If you love me, you will obey my commandments.”

— John 14:15

# We Prepare to Meet with God

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## Prelude

## Jesus Loves Me, This I Know

Jesus loves me, this I know,  
For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to him belong,  
They are weak but he is strong.

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!*  
*Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Jesus loves me, he who died,  
Heaven's gates to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin,  
Let his little child come in.

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!*  
*Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

Jesus loves me, he will stay  
Close beside me all the way;  
If I love him, when I die  
He will take me home on high.

*Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!*  
*Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.*

# 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: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you. *Jude 2*  
**All: Amen.**

## Call to Worship Psalm 22:22–23

Minister: I will tell of your name to my brothers;  
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you:  
**All: You who fear the LORD, praise him!**  
**All you offspring of Jacob, glorify him,**  
**and stand in awe of him, all you offspring of Israel!**

## ▲ Hymn 297 All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!

All hail the power of Jesus’ name!  
Let angels prostrate fall,  
Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem,  
and crown... ..him,  
Crown him, crown him, crown him,  
And crown him Lord of all.

Crown him, ye martyrs of your God,  
who from his altar call,  
who from his altar call;  
Extol the Stem of Jesse’s rod,  
and crown... ..him,  
Crown him, crown him, crown him,  
And crown him Lord of all.

Continues...

Ye seed of Israel's chosen race,  
ye ransomed of the fall,  
ye ransomed of the fall;  
Hail him who saves you by his grace,  
*and crown... ..him,*  
Crown him, crown him, crown him,  
And crown him Lord of all.

Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget  
the wormwood and the gall,  
the wormwood and the gall;  
Go, spread your trophies at his feet,  
*and crown... ..him,*  
Crown him, crown him, crown him,  
And crown him Lord of all.

Let every kindred, every tribe,  
on this terrestrial ball,  
on this terrestrial ball;  
To him all majesty ascribe,  
*and crown... ..him,*  
Crown him, crown him, crown him,  
And crown him Lord of all.

O that with yonder sacred throng  
we at his feet may fall,  
we at his feet may fall;  
We'll join the everlasting song,  
*and crown... ..him,*  
Crown him, crown him, crown him,  
And crown him Lord of all.

## ▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

# God Cleanses Us

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## Call to Confession of Sin

Psalm 78:5–8

He established a testimony in Jacob  
and appointed a law in Israel,  
which he commanded our fathers  
to teach to their children,  
that the next generation might know them,  
the children yet unborn,  
and arise and tell them to their children,  
so that they should set their hope in God  
and not forget the works of God,  
but keep his commandments;  
and that they should not be like their fathers,  
a stubborn and rebellious generation,  
a generation whose heart was not steadfast,  
whose spirit was not faithful to God.

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

Heavenly Father, Great God of the covenant,  
we bow before you acknowledging that  
we have not kept that covenant.  
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.  
Our stubbornness and rebellion have kept us  
from proclaiming the good news of your redemption  
to a lost world and to the covenant children  
you have placed in our care.  
Our selfish pride, our lusts, and our disobedience  
have been a stumbling-block to those around us,  
causing harm both to our earthly families  
and to our spiritual family.  
We cry to you for forgiveness.  
Cleanse us by your word, renew us by your Holy Spirit,  
and give us unity  
through our union with our Elder Brother, the Lord Jesus Christ.  
May his sacrifice of himself on our behalf  
be our all-sufficient hope and our greatest joy.  
In his name we pray, *Amen*.

## ⬆ **Declaration of Forgiveness**

Romans 4:18, 22–25

In hope [Abraham] believed against hope, that he should become the father of many nations, as he had been told, “So shall your offspring be.” That is why his faith was “counted to him as righteousness.” But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.

## ⬆ **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.



# God Consecrates Us

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## Prayer for Illumination

### Reading of Scripture

2 Timothy 1:1–14

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God according to the promise of the life that is in Christ Jesus,

<sup>2</sup> To Timothy, my beloved child:

Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

<sup>3</sup> I thank God whom I serve, as did my ancestors, with a clear conscience, as I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. <sup>4</sup> As I remember your tears, I long to see you, that I may be filled with joy. <sup>5</sup> I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, dwells in you as well. <sup>6</sup> For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands, <sup>7</sup> for God gave us a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-control.

<sup>8</sup> Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony about our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel by the power of God, <sup>9</sup> who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, <sup>10</sup> and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, <sup>11</sup> for which I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, <sup>12</sup> which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. <sup>13</sup> Follow the pattern of the sound words that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. <sup>14</sup> By the Holy Spirit who dwells within us, guard the good deposit entrusted to you.

Jehovah's perfect law  
Restores the soul again;  
His testimony sure  
Gives wisdom unto men;  
The precepts of the Lord are right,  
And fill the heart with great delight.

The Lord's command is pure,  
Enlightening the eyes;  
Jehovah's fear is clean,  
More lasting than the skies.  
The judgments of the Lord express  
His truth and perfect righteousness.

They're more to be desired  
Than stores of finest gold;  
Than honey from the comb  
More sweetness far they hold.  
With warnings they Thy servant guard;  
In keeping them is great reward.

He errors who can know?  
Cleanse me from hidden stain.  
Keep me from willful sins,  
Nor let them o'er me reign.  
And then I upright shall appear  
And be from great transgression clear.

Let all the words I speak  
And all the thoughts within  
Come up before Thy sight  
And Thine approval win.  
O Thou Jehovah, unto me  
My rock and my Redeemer be.

<sup>1</sup> “Now this is the commandment, the statutes and the rules that the LORD your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, <sup>2</sup> that you may fear the LORD your God, you and your son and your son’s son, by keeping all his statutes and his commandments, which I command you, all the days of your life, and that your days may be long. <sup>3</sup> Hear therefore, O Israel, and be careful to do them, that it may go well with you, and that you may multiply greatly, as the LORD, the God of your fathers, has promised you, in a land flowing with milk and honey.

<sup>4</sup> “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>5</sup> You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. <sup>6</sup> And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. <sup>7</sup> You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. <sup>8</sup> You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. <sup>9</sup> You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

<sup>10</sup> “And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you — with great and good cities that you did not build, <sup>11</sup> and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant — and when you eat and are full, <sup>12</sup> then take care lest you forget the LORD, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. <sup>13</sup> It is the LORD your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. <sup>14</sup> You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you — <sup>15</sup> for the LORD your God in your midst is a jealous God — lest the anger of the LORD your God be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth.

<sup>16</sup> “You shall not put the LORD your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah. <sup>17</sup> You shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies and his statutes, which he has commanded you. <sup>18</sup> And you shall do what is right and good in the

sight of the LORD, that it may go well with you, and that you may go in and take possession of the good land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers <sup>19</sup> by thrusting out all your enemies from before you, as the LORD has promised.

<sup>20</sup> “When your son asks you in time to come, ‘What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the LORD our God has commanded you?’ <sup>21</sup> then you shall say to your son, ‘We were Pharaoh’s slaves in Egypt. And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. <sup>22</sup> And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. <sup>23</sup> And he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land that he swore to give to our fathers. <sup>24</sup> And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as we are this day. <sup>25</sup> And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as he has commanded us.’”

## Prayer of Intercession

### ▲ Hymn 719 A Christian Home

O give us homes built firm upon the Savior,  
Where Christ is Head and Counselor and guide;  
Where every child is taught his love and favor  
And gives his heart to Christ, the crucified:  
How sweet to know that though his footsteps waver,  
His faithful Lord is walking by his side!

O give us homes with godly fathers, mothers,  
Who always place their hope and trust in him;  
Whose tender patience turmoil never bothers,  
Whose calm and courage trouble cannot din:  
A home where each finds joy in serving others,  
And love still shines, tho’ days be dark and grim.

O Lord, our God, our homes are thine forever!  
We trust to thee their problems, toil, and care;  
Their bonds of love, no enemy can sever,  
If thou art always Lord and Master there:  
Be thou the center of our least endeavor—  
Be thou our guest, our hearts and homes to share.

## God Communes with Us

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### ▲ 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

## 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

Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea;  
A great High Priest whose name is love,  
Who ever lives and pleads for me.  
My name is graven on His hands;  
My name is written on His heart.  
I know that while in heav'n He stands,  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.  
No tongue can bid me thence depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of my guilt within,  
Upward I look and see him there  
Who made an end to all my sin.  
Because the sinless Savior died,  
My sinful soul is counted free.  
For God, the just, is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me.  
To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb,  
My perfect spotless, righteousness.  
The great unchangeable I AM,  
The King of Glory and of grace.  
One with Himself; I cannot die,  
My soul is purchased by His blood.  
My life is hid with Christ on high,  
With Christ my Savior and my God,  
With Christ my Savior and my God.

For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

### ***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 32

### Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,  
Sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love.

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide.  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

*Great is thy faithfulness, great is thy faithfulness,  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided—  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me.*

## ▲ The Benediction

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▲ Congregation stands as able

# **Sermon Notes**

Deuteronomy 6

*Equipping the Next Generation*

### HOME FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

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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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