# 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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There is not an inch of any sphere of life over which Jesus Christ does not say, "Mine."

— Abraham Kuyper late 19<sup>th</sup>-c. Dutch Reformed theologian and Prime Minister of the Netherlands (1901–05)

Christ is not valued at all, unless he is valued above all.

— Augustine of Hippo 5<sup>th</sup>-c. theologian

Many are willing that Christ should be something, but few will consent that Christ should be everything.

> — Alexander Moody Stuart 19<sup>th</sup>-c. Scottish Presbyterian minister

## We Prepare to Meet with God

#### **Prelude**

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Come, Christians, join to sing Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, Before his throne rejoice; Praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen! Let praises fill the sky, Alleluia! Amen! He is our Guide and Friend; To us he'll condescend; His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore, Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

#### **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 99:1-3

Minister: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

All: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth quake!

Minister: The LORD is great in Zion;

he is exalted over all the peoples.

All: Let them praise your great and awesome name!

Holy is he!

▲ **Hymn 53** Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

#### Call to Confession of Sin

Ezekiel 33:11

As I live, declares the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live; turn back from your evil ways, for why will you die, O house of Israel?

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

Dearest Lord Jesus,

you are the Almighty One,

the creator of the universe and the sovereign ruler of all.

You are the King of kings and Lord of lords,

yet you are the keeper of our souls.

You are infinite,

yet you care for us who are finite.

You are strong and mighty,

yet you comfort us who are weak and broken.

You are complete in yourself,

yet you reach out for a relationship to us.

We praise you, O Lord Jesus,

you who are our God.

We come to you now to open our hearts to you.

We are in search of forgiveness, for we have sinned.

We have too many times tried to live life by our own rules and not followed you.

We have just been plain stubborn and wanted our own way.

We have not been generous

with our hearts, our money or our time.

We are sorry. Please forgive us.

Holy Spirit, change us. Turn us in a new direction.

Cause us to share with others

what you have so graciously given to us.

Fill us with your grace,

that we might be like Jesus,

in whose name we pray. Amen.

#### **▲** Declaration of Forgiveness

Isaiah 44:21-23

Remember these things, O Jacob, and Israel, for you are my servant; I formed you; you are my servant; O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me. I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud and your sins like mist; return to me, for I have redeemed you.

Sing, O heavens, for the LORD has done it; shout, O depths of the earth; break forth into singing, O mountains, O forest, and every tree in it!

For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and will be glorified in Israel.

## ▲ 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**

#### **Prayer for Illumination**

## **Reading of Scripture**

Colossians 1 (p. 983)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

<sup>2</sup>To the saints and faithful brothers in Christ at Colossae: Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

<sup>3</sup>We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, <sup>4</sup> since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. Of this you have heard before in the word of the truth, the gospel, <sup>6</sup> which has come to you, as indeed in the whole world it is bearing fruit and increasing—as it also does among you, since the day you heard it and understood the grace of God in truth, <sup>7</sup> just as you learned it from Epaphras our beloved fellow servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf <sup>8</sup> and has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> And so, from the day we heard, we have not ceased to pray for you, asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of his will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup> so as to walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him: bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; <sup>11</sup> being strengthened with all power, according to his glorious might, for all endurance and patience with joy; <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. <sup>13</sup> He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>15</sup> He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup> For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup> And he is before all things, and in him all things hold

together. <sup>18</sup> And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

<sup>21</sup>And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, <sup>22</sup>he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, <sup>23</sup>if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister.

<sup>24</sup> Now I rejoice in my sufferings for your sake, and in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of his body, that is, the church, <sup>25</sup> of which I became a minister according to the stewardship from God that was given to me for you, to make the word of God fully known, <sup>26</sup> the mystery hidden for ages and generations but now revealed to his saints. <sup>27</sup> To them God chose to make known how great among the Gentiles are the riches of the glory of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. <sup>28</sup> Him we proclaim, warning everyone and teaching everyone with all wisdom, that we may present everyone mature in Christ. <sup>29</sup> For this I toil, struggling with all his energy that he powerfully works within me.

▲ Psalm 8 Trinity Psalter

#### Preaching of the Word

Rev. David Boxerman

Sermon Text: Philippians 2:1–11 (p. 980)

What's in a Name? Jesus Christ the Lord

<sup>1</sup> So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, <sup>2</sup> complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. <sup>3</sup> Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. <sup>4</sup> Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

<sup>5</sup> Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

#### **Prayer of Intercession**

Reception of New Communing Member

Ryan Wheeler

▲ **Hymn 535** O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

#### God Communes with Us

▲ Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

p. 845, Trinity Hymnal

**▲ 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

<u>Invitation and Supervision of the Table</u>

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

<u>Distribution of the Bread and the Cup</u>

Let us love and sing and wonder, Let us praise the Savior's name! He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame: He has washed us with his blood, He has washed us with his blood, He has brought us nigh to God.

Let us love the Lord who bought us, Pitied us when enemies, Called us by his grace, and taught us, Gave us ears and gave us eyes: He has washed us with his blood, He has washed us with his blood, He has washed us with his blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing, though fierce temptation Threaten hard to bear us down! For the Lord, our strong salvation, Holds in view the conqueror's crown: He who washed us with his blood He who washed us with his blood He who washed us with his blood Soon will bring us home to God.

Let us wonder; grace and justice
Join and point to mercy's store;
When through grace in Christ our trust is,
Justice smiles and asks no more:
He who washed us with his blood
He who washed us with his blood
He who washed us with his blood
Has secured our way to God.

Continues...

Let us praise, and join the chorus
Of the saints enthroned on high;
Here they trusted him before us,
Now their praises fill the sky;
"You have washed us with your blood;
You have washed us with your blood;
You have washed us with your blood;
You are worthy, Lamb of God!"

#### Scripture Reading — During the cup

Colossians 2:6-15

As you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have been filled in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

## 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 6** O Come, My Soul, Bless Thou the Lord

**▲** The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

## **Sermon Notes**

Philippians 2:1–11 (p. 980) What's in a Name? Jesus Christ <u>the Lord</u>

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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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