

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

Sunday School	Mary Jo Canales Paula Ea
Worship	Allie Carpenter Lori Peterson

Reflection

Listen: I'm against sin. I'll kick it as long as I've got a foot. I'll fight it as long as I've got a fist. I'll butt it as long as I've got a head. I'll bite it as long as I've got a tooth. And when I'm old, fistless, footless, and toothless, I'll gum it till I go home to glory and it goes home to perdition.

— Billy Sunday

Thus it is with the church of Christ: it goes on in apparent weakness; and yet in its weakness, there is such mighty strength and power, that all the worldly wise and powerful must stand amazed thereat and fear.

— Martin Luther
The Table Talk of Martin Luther

The secret of grace is that it can be all right at the center even when it is all wrong on the edges.

— Lewis B. Smedes
How Can It Be All Right When Everything Is All Wrong?

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine;
Now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away,
O let me from this day be wholly thine.

May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart, my zeal inspire;
As thou hast died for me, O may my love to thee
pure, warm and changeless be, a living fire.

While life's dark maze I tread,
And griefs around me spread, be thou my guide;
Bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrows tears away,
Nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream,
When death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll,
Blest Savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul.

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 95:6–7

Minister: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

**All: For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

▲ Hymn

All Things Bright and Beautiful



All things bright and beau - ti - ful, All crea - tures great and small,

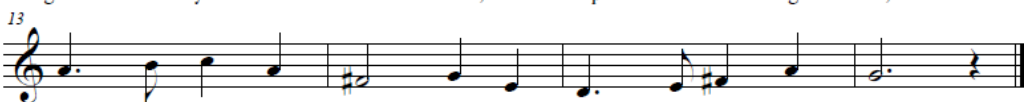


All things wise and won - der - ful, The Lord God made them all.

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lit - tle flow'r that o - pens, Each lit - tle bird that sings; He
pur - ple head - ed moun - tains, The riv - er run - ning by, The
cold wind in the win - ter, The plea - sant sum - mer sun, The
gave us eyes to see them, And lips that we might tell, How



made their glow - ing col - ors, He made their ti - ny wings.
sun - set and the morn - ing that bright - ens up the sky.
ripe fruits in the gar - den He made them ev - 'ry one.
great is God Al - migh - ty Who has made all things well.

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin

Galatians 5:7

You were running well. Who hindered you from obeying the truth?

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

Almighty God, Holy Father,
we confess that we are sinners.
We are incapable of running the race in our own strength.
We are constantly hindered
from obeying the truth
by our own rebellious and deceived hearts,
by our love for the world and its transitory pleasures,
by our weakness, our immaturity,
our self-absorption and short-sightedness
and tendency to quit.

Today we acknowledge and repent of our many sins.
Lord, cause us to flee to the cross of your blessed Son
the founder and perfecter of our faith.
May we find strength only in him
and in the gospel of his redeeming love.
Forgive us, sanctify us, and equip us, we pray,
to run the course you have laid out for us.
Through Christ our crucified Savior and risen Champion, Amen.

▲ Declaration of Forgiveness

1 Timothy 1:15

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

▲ 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

1 Peter 1:3–9 (p. 1015)

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴to an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, ⁵who by God's power are being guarded through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶In this you rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, ⁷so that the tested genuineness of your faith—more precious than gold that perishes though it is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ. ⁸Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible and filled with glory, ⁹obtaining the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls.

▲ **Hymn 305** Arise, My Soul, Arise

Preaching of the Word

Rev. John Canales

Sermon Text: Hebrews 12:1–3 (p. 1008)

Running the Race

¹ Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

Prayer of Intercession

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.

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
With the pow'r of His promise in their hearts,
Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
A place where peace and justice reign.

*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 prophets saw a day
When the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the pow'r to break the chains of sin and death
And rise triumphant from the grave.

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 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

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

Jesus lives, and so shall I.
Death! thy sting is gone forever!
He who deigned for me to die,
Lives, the bands of death to sever.
He shall raise me from the dust:
Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives, and reigns supreme:
And, his kingdom still remaining,
I shall also be with him,
Ever living, ever reigning.
God has promised; be it must;
Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives, and by his grace,
Vict'ry o'er my passions giving,
I will cleanse my heart and ways,
Ever to his glory living.
Me he raises from the dust:
Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives! I know full well
Naught from him my heart can sever,
Life nor death nor pow'rs of hell,
Joy nor grief, henceforth forever.
None of all his saints is lost:
Jesus is my hope and trust.

Jesus lives and death is now
But my entrance into glory.
Courage, then, my soul, for thou
Hast a crown of life before thee;
Thou shalt find thy hopes were just:
Jesus is the Christian's trust.

Scripture Reading — During the cup¹ Corinthians 9:24–27; 10:14–17, 31

Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one receives the prize? So run that you may obtain it. Every athlete exercises self-control in all things. They do it to receive a perishable wreath, but we an imperishable. So I do not run aimlessly; I do not box as one beating the air. But I discipline my body and keep it under control, lest after preaching to others I myself should be disqualified.

Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a participation in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a participation in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

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 Forever Jesus

My hymn of praise shall be forever Jesus:
My firm foundation in shifting sands.
My strength and hope through many fears and failures,
The disappointments of the past;
His constant love has held me fast.

Refrain

*So for all my days I will sing my praise
to the King, forever Jesus.
Though the storms may rage he is strong to save.
He's the King, forever Jesus.*

My song of joy shall be forever Jesus
Who bore my suffering, who made a way.
His life a gift, His death a precious ransom
That wipes the sinner's guilt away,
And turns our night to glorious day.

Refrain

My final breath shall be forever Jesus
When shadows lengthen before my eyes.
My Lord and Friend, Companion through the valley
When dearest ones are left behind,
His hand will lead me to the light.

*When I meet His gaze I will sing my praise
to the King, forever Jesus.
All my sorrows past, I am home at last
with my King, forever Jesus.
With my King, forever Jesus.*

▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Hebrews 12:1–3
Running the Race

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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