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

Worship Paula Ea

Lori Peterson



The most obvious fact about praise — whether of God or any thing — strangely escaped me. I thought of it in terms of compliment, approval, or the giving of honor. I had never noticed that all enjoyment spontaneously overflows into praise... unless (sometimes even if) shyness or the fear of boring others is deliberately brought in to check it. The world rings with praise — lovers praising their mistresses, readers their favorite poet, walkers praising the countryside, players praising their favorite game — praise of weather, wines, dishes, actors, motors, horses, colleges, countries, historical personages, children, flowers, mountains, rare stamps, rare beetles, even sometimes politicians or scholars. I had not noticed how the humblest, and at the same time most balanced and capacious, minds, praised most, while the cranks, misfits and malcontents praised least...

I had not noticed either that just as men spontaneously praise whatever they value, so they spontaneously urge us to join them in praising it: "Isn't she lovely? Wasn't it glorious? Don't you think that magnificent?" The Psalmists, in telling everyone to praise God, are doing what all men do when they speak of what they care about... I think we delight to praise what we enjoy because the praise not merely expresses but completes the enjoyment; it is its appointed consummation.

— C. S. Lewis Reflections on the Psalms

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

Come, We That Love the Lord

Come, we that love the Lord, And let our joys be known; Join in a song with sweet accord, And thus surround the throne.

Let those refuse to sing That never knew our God; But children of the heav'nly King May speak their joys abroad.

The hill of Zion yields A thousand sacred sweets, Before we reach the heav'nly fields, Or walk the golden streets.

Then let our songs abound, And ev'ry tear be dry; We're marching through Immanuel's ground To fairer worlds on high.

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 104:31-35

Minister: May the glory of the LORD endure forever;

may the LORD rejoice in his works,

All: who looks on the earth and it trembles,

who touches the mountains and they smoke!

Minister: I will sing to the LORD as long as I live;

I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

All: May my meditation be pleasing to him,

for I rejoice in the LORD.

Minister: Let sinners be consumed from the earth,

and let the wicked be no more!

All: Bless the LORD, O my soul!

Minister: Praise the LORD!

▲ Psalm 98

Trinity Psalter

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

Call to Confession of Sin

Psalm 51:7, 17

Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.

Corporate Confession of Sin and Supplication for Mercy (unison)

Our Father in heaven,
you call us to be holy because you are holy.
You call us to be different from the world
because the ways of the world
rot away what it means to be human.

We are taught to love you, O God, with all our heart, yet we confess that our allegiance is less than complete.

We are taught to love you, O God, with all our soul, yet we confess that we long to have our own way.

We are taught to love you, O God, with all our mind, yet we confess that our thoughts are seldom so pure.

We are taught to love our neighbors as we love ourselves, yet we confess that we prefer that we be first.

Gracious Father, won't you have mercy on us as we confess our sin?

For the sake of Christ and his substitutionary death on the cross, we ask that you graciously forgive our sin.

We ask this in his name. Amen.

▲ Declaration of Forgiveness

Colossians 1:19-22

In [Christ] all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, 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.

▲ 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

Hosea 1 (p. 751)

- ¹ The word of the LORD that came to Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.
- ² When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take to yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD." ³ So he went and took Gomer, the daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.
- ⁴ And the LORD said to him, "Call his name Jezreel, for in just a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. ⁵ And on that day I will break the bow of Israel in the Valley of Jezreel."
- ⁶ She conceived again and bore a daughter. And the LORD said to him, "Call her name No Mercy, for I will no more have mercy on the house of Israel, to forgive them at all. ⁷ But I will have mercy on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God. I will not save them by bow or by sword or by war or by horses or by horsemen."
- ⁸ When she had weaned No Mercy, she conceived and bore a son. ⁹ And the LORD said, "Call his name Not My People, for you are not my people, and I am not your God."
- ¹⁰ Yet the number of the children of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which cannot be measured or numbered. And in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God." ¹¹ And the children of Judah and the children of Israel shall be gathered together, and they shall appoint for themselves one head. And they shall go up from the land, for great shall be the day of Jezreel.

▲ **Hymn 44** How Great Thou Art

Preaching of the Word

Rev. David Boxerman

Sermon Text: 1 Peter 2:9–10 (p. 1015)

Called to an Enviable Position

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Prayer of Intercession

▲ **Hymn 478** I Love to Tell the Story

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

<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 r

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

A debtor to mercy alone,
Of covenant mercy I sing;
Nor fear, with your righteousness on,
My person and offering to bring.
The terrors of law and of God
With me can have nothing to do;
My Savior's obedience and blood
Hide all my transgressions from view.

The work which his goodness began,
The arm of his strength will complete;
His promise is yea and amen,
And never was forfeited yet.
Things future, nor things that are now,
Nor all things below or above,
Can make him his purpose forgo,
Or sever my soul from his love.

My name from the palms of his hands Eternity will not erase; Impressed on his heart it remains, In marks of indelible grace. Yes, I to the end shall endure, As sure as the earnest is given; More happy, but not more secure, The glorified spirits in heaven. Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our 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

Psalm 103:1-13

Trinity Psalter

▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

1 Peter 2:9–10 Called to an Enviable Position

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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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