# 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 Whitney Hammaker

Evie Grimes Lori Peterson



If you are ready to partake of grace you have not to atone for your sins—you have merely to accept of the atonement. All that you want to do is to cry, "God have mercy upon me," and you will receive the blessing.

- Dwight L. Moody

God doesn't just give us grace; He gives us Jesus, the Lord of grace.

Joni Eareckson Tada

Jesus took the tree of death, so you could have the tree of life.

— Tim Keller

## We Prepare to Meet with God

**Prelude** None Other Lamb

None other Lamb, none other name, None other hope in heav'n or earth or sea, None other hiding place from guilt and shame, None beside thee!

My faith burns low, my hope burns low; Only my heart's desire cries out in me By the deep thunder of its want and woe, Cries out to thee.

Lord, thou art Life, though I be dead; Love's fire though art, however cold I be: Nor heav'n have I, nor place to lay my head, Nor home, but thee.

## **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 107:1-2, 9, 43

Minister: Oh give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

for his steadfast love endures forever!

All: Let the redeemed of the LORD say so,

whom he has redeemed from trouble.

Minister: For he satisfies the longing soul,

and the hungry soul he fills with good things.

All: Whoever is wise, let him attend to these things;

let them consider the steadfast love of the LORD.

▲ **Hymn 286** Worship Christ, the Risen King! Trinity Hymnal

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

#### Call to Confession of Sin

Psalm 57:1-3

Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, for in you my soul takes refuge; in the shadow of your wings I will take refuge, till the storms of destruction pass by.

I cry out to God Most High, to God who fulfills his purpose for me.

He will send from heaven and save me; he will put to shame him who tramples on me.

God will send out his steadfast love and his faithfulness!

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

Father in heaven,

We confess that we have not loved you with our entire heart, mind, and strength.

We have been eager to assert our own desires, and to turn from your wise counsel.

We have pursued our own interests, and we do not love our neighbors as ourselves.

Please have mercy on us, Father, and remember not our misdeeds. Please soften our hardened hearts, and mold us in the image of your son Jesus, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

## **▲** Declaration of Forgiveness

Isaiah 54:9-10

"This is like the days of Noah to me:
as I swore that the waters of Noah
should no more go over the earth,
so I have sworn that I will not be angry with you,
and will not rebuke you.
For the mountains may depart
and the hills be removed,
but my steadfast love shall not depart from you,
and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,"
says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

## ▲ 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**

Genesis 3 (p. 2)

<sup>1</sup> Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, "Did God actually say, 'You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?" <sup>2</sup> And the woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup> but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die." <sup>4</sup> But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup> For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." <sup>6</sup> So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup> Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup> And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup> But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup> And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup> He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup> The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup> Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup> The LORD God said to the serpent, "Because you have done this, cursed are you above all livestock and above all beasts of the field; on your belly you shall go, and dust you shall eat all the days of your life.

15 I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel."

To the woman he said,
"I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing; in pain you shall bring forth children. Your desire shall be contrary to your husband, but he shall rule over you."

17 And to Adam he said,
 "Because you have listened to the voice of your wife and have eaten of the tree of which I commanded you,
 'You shall not eat of it,' cursed is the ground because of you; in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;
 18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you; and you shall eat the plants of the field.
 19 By the sweat of your face you shall eat bread,

till you return to the ground,
for out of it you were taken;
for you are dust,
and to dust you shall return."

<sup>20</sup> The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup> And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

<sup>22</sup> Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—" <sup>23</sup> therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. <sup>24</sup> He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

## Preaching of the Word

Mr. Brandon Luter

**Sermon Text:** Mark 15:33–38 (p. 853)

God Has Declared It — That Settles It

<sup>33</sup> And when the sixth hour had come, there was darkness over the whole land until the ninth hour. <sup>34</sup> And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" <sup>35</sup> And some of the bystanders hearing it said, "Behold, he is calling Elijah." <sup>36</sup> And someone ran and filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a reed and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." <sup>37</sup> And Jesus uttered a loud cry and breathed his last. <sup>38</sup> And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom.

## **Prayer of Intercession**

**★ Hymn 154** Thou Art the Way

Trinity Hymnal

#### 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 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

I hear the Savior say,
"Thy strength indeed is small,
Child of weakness, watch and pray,
Find in me thine all in all."

Jesus paid it all,
All to Him I owe;
Sin had left a crimson stain,
He washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find Thy power and thine alone, Can change the leper's spots And melt the heart of stone.

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

For nothing good have I Whereby thy grace to claim; I'll wash my garments white In the blood of Calvary's Lamb.

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow.

And when, before the throne, I stand in him complete, "Jesus died my soul to save," My lips shall still repeat.

Jesus paid it all, All to Him I owe; Sin had left a crimson stain, He washed it white as snow. If we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

## 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 243** Praise the Savior Now and Ever Trinity Hymnal

## ★ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

## **Sermon Notes**

Mark 15:33–38 (p. 853) God Has Declared It — That Settles It

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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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