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	Susan Chaplin Carol LeBoeuf Margaret Anne Gunter		



I have come to the conclusion that none of us in our generation feel as guilty about sin as we should or as our forefathers did.

— Francis Schaeffer in a letter to a college student

The confession of evil works is the first beginning of good works. — Augustine of Hippo Tractates on the Gospel of John

God has promised forgiveness to your repentance, but he has not promised tomorrow to your procrastination.

— Augustine Commentary on Psalm 146

Prelude

When All Thy Mercies, O My God

When all Thy mercies, O my God, My rising soul surveys, Transported with the view I'm lost In wonder, love, and praise.

Unnumbered comforts to my soul Thy tender care bestowed Before my infant heart could know From whom those comforts flowed

When worn with sickness, oft hast Thou, With health renewed my face, And when in sins and sorrows bowed, Revived my soul with grace.

Through every period of my life Thy goodness I'll pursue, And after death, in distant worlds, The glorious theme renew.

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.	Matthe	w 28:19
All:	Our help is in the name of the LORD,		
	who made heaven and earth!	Psa	ılm 124:8
Minister:	May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you. Jude		Jude 2
All:	Amen.		

Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1-3

Minister:	Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;		
All:	make known his deeds among the peoples!		
Minister:	Sing to him, sing praises to him;		
	tell of all his wondrous works!		
All:	Glory in his holy name;		
	let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice!		

★ Hymn 80 Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee Trinity Hymnal

▲ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

Call to Confession of Sin

Mark 1:14–15

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel."

Corporate Confession of Sin and Supplication for Mercy (unison)

Glorious God, you have always known				
that our sinful disobedience is serious enough				
to bring history and creation to complete destruction.				
You have cared enough				
to provide the only possible way of survival				
in the death and resurrection of Jesus.				
Your perfect plan of redemption is too mysterious for us to				
understand fully, but this part is clear:				
"God loved the world in this way:				
He sent his only begotten Son,				
that whoever believes in him				
might not perish but have everlasting life."				

Forgive us, Father, for not taking our own sin seriously enough.Forgive us for not embracing your Son more wholeheartedly.Forgive us for not trusting your love in the way we live each day.For we ask it in the name of Jesus,

our triumphant King of kings and our risen Lord of lords. Amen.

▲ Declaration of Forgiveness

Colossians 2:13-14

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.

▲ 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

Acts 2:22-40 (p. 910)

★ Psalm 145:1-10

Trinity Psalter

Preaching of the Word Rev. David Boxerman Sermon Text: Luke 23:32–38 (p. 884) The Words of Christ on the Cross: The Words of Pardon

³² Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³ And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

³⁴ And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

And they cast lots to divide his garments. ³⁵ And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!"

³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

Prayer of Intercession

Reception of New Members

- Jim and Ann Thacker
- Margaret Anne Gunter

★ Hymn 508 Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Trinity Hymnal

▲ Affirmation of Faith: Apostles' Creed

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. p. 845, Trinity Hymnal

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation and Supervision of the Table

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

Not what my hands have done Can save my guilty soul; Not what my toiling flesh has borne Can make my spirit whole. Not what I feel or do Can give me peace with God; Not all my prayers and sighs and tears Can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ, Can ease this weight of sin; Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, Can give me peace within. Thy love to me, O God, Not mine, O Lord to thee, Can rid me of this dark unrest And set my spirit free.

Thy grace alone, O God, To me can pardon speak; Thy pow'r alone, O Son of God, Can this sore bondage break. No other work, save thine, No other blood will do; No strength, save that which is divine, Can bear me safely through.

I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love divine; And with unfalt'ring lip and heart I call this Saviour mine. This cross dispels each doubt; I bury in his tomb Each thought of unbelief and fear, Each ling'ring shade of gloom.

Continues...

I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might; He calls me his, I call him mine, My God, my joy, my light. 'Tis he who saveth me, And freely pardon gives; I love because he loveth me, I live because he lives.

<u>Scripture Reading — During the cup</u>

Isaiah 53:4-6

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

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 457 Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing Trinity Hymnal

▲ The Benediction

▲ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Luke 23:32–38 The Words of Christ on the Cross: The Words of Pardon

Home Fellowship Groups					
Group Leader	Contact	Meeting Day/Time			
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Brandon Luter Teen Trek	469.441.6306	Wednesdays 7:00 p.m.			

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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