

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

Worship

Paula Ea
Annelise Pipkin
Carol LeBoeuf

Reflection

It is shocking to reflect that a change in the weather has more effect on some men's lives than the dread alternative of heaven or hell.

— Charles H. Spurgeon

The power of man can never reverse the sentence of God.

— Thomas V. Moore

No one is redeemed except through unmerited mercy, and no one is condemned except through merited judgement.

— Augustine

If we are believers in Jesus Christ we have already come through the storm of judgement. It happened at the cross.

— Billy Graham

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 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!

⬆ Psalm 103:1–13 Trinity Psalter

⬆ Prayer of Petition and Adoration

⬆ Congregation stands as able

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin

Ezekiel 18:31–32

“Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed, and make yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, declares the Lord God; so turn, and live.”

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.

Continues...

Give us new hearts and new spirits
that put you first and long to live for you.
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

Ezekiel 36:25–27

“I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.”

✠ 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

Genesis 6:1–7:5 (p. 5)
2 Thessalonians 1 (p. 989)

✠ Hymn 304 I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

Trinity Hymnal

Sermon Text: Hebrews 11:1, 6–7 (p. 1007)

Today is the Day of Noah

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² For by it the people of old received their commendation. ³ By faith we understand that the universe was created by the word of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things that are visible.

⁴ By faith Abel offered to God a more acceptable sacrifice than Cain, through which he was commended as righteous, God commending him by accepting his gifts. And through his faith, though he died, he still speaks. ⁵ By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God.

⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him. ⁷ By faith Noah, being warned by God concerning events as yet unseen, in reverent fear constructed an ark for the saving of his household. By this he condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness that comes by faith.

Prayer of Intercession

In Christ alone my hope is found,
 He is my light, my strength, my song;
 This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
 Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
 What heights of love, what depths of peace,
 When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
 My Comforter, my all in all—
 Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh—
 Fullness of God in helpless babe!
 This gift of love and righteousness,
 Scorned by the ones he came to save:
 Till on that cross, as Jesus died,
 The wrath of God was satisfied—
 For every sin on him was laid;
 Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay—
 Light of the world by darkness slain!
 Then, bursting forth in glorious day,
 Up from the grave he rose again!
 And as he stands in victory
 Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
 For I am his and he is mine:
 Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
 This is the power of Christ in me;
 From life's first cry to final breath.
 Jesus commands my destiny.
 No power of hell, no scheme of man,
 Can ever pluck me from His hand;
 Till he returns or calls me home,
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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 Can ever pluck me from His hand;
 Till he returns or calls me home,
 Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.*

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

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears:
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on his hands.
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

He ever lives above, for me to intercede,
His all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead;
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me.
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Forgive him, O forgive,” they cry,
“Nor let that ransomed sinner die!”
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

My God is reconciled; his pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for his child, I can no longer fear;
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And “Father, Abba, Father!” cry.
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Arise, arise, arise, arise, my soul, arise!
Shake off your guilty fears and rise!

Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not labor for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal ... I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

“... Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your fathers ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

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 705 I Know Whom I Have Believed *Trinity Hymnal*
(congregation stands on last verse)

⬆ The Benediction

⬆ Congregation stands as able

Sermon Notes

Hebrews 11:1, 6–7

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HOME FELLOWSHIP GROUPS		
Group Leader	Contact	Meeting Day/Time
Leng Ea	817.412.8625	Saturdays at 10:30 a.m.
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Adam Grimes	214.226.1251	Saturdays 4:00 p.m.
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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