

# 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**

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# Reflection

Certain new theologians dispute original sin, which is the only part of Christian doctrine which can really be proved.

— G. K. Chesterton  
*Orthodoxy*

No man knows how bad he is till he has tried very hard to be good.

— C. S. Lewis  
*Mere Christianity*

Most of the evil in this world does not come from evil people.  
It comes from people who consider themselves good.

— Reinhold Niebuhr  
American theologian (1892–1971)

Gradually it was disclosed to me that the line dividing good and evil passes not through states, nor between classes, nor between political parties either — but right through every human heart.

— Aleksandr Solzhenitsyn  
*Gulag II*

The confession of evil works is the first beginning of good works.

— Augustine of Hippo  
*Tractates on the Gospel of John*

# We Prepare to Meet with God

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## Prelude

Psalm 16

Preserve me, O my God; I put my trust in you.  
Lord, I confess, you are my Lord; no good have I but you.  
The godly ones on earth, those holy in your sight,  
The noble and majestic ones, fill me with great delight.

Their sorrows multiply who after idols seek.  
To them I'll no blood off'rings make; their names I'll never speak.  
The Lord the portion is of my inheritance.  
He fills my cup, my lot prepares, secures to me His grants.

The lines that fell to me enclose a pleasant site.  
The heritage that I received to me is a delight.  
I bless the Lord who guides with counsel that is right.  
My heart within me He directs to teach me in the night.

I always keep the Lord before me, Him to see.  
Because He is at my right hand I never moved shall be.  
Thus gladness fills my soul; my joy must be expressed  
With my whole being, for my flesh securely finds its rest.

My soul you will not leave in death's dark pit to be.  
Corruption you will not permit your Holy One to see.  
The path of life you'll show; of joy you hold great store.  
Before your face, at your right hand, are pleasures evermore.

# God Calls Us

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## 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*

Leader: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

**All: He sits enthroned upon the cherubim;  
let the earth quake!**

Leader: 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!**

▲ **Hymn 345** Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken *Trinity Hymnal*

▲ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

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▲ Congregation stands as able

# God Cleanses Us

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## Call to Confession of Sin

Genesis 6:5–7

The LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every intention of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the LORD was sorry that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. So the LORD said, “I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the land, man and animals and creeping things and birds of the heavens, for I am sorry that I have made them.”

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

from the Strasbourg liturgy

Almighty, eternal God and Father,  
we confess and acknowledge in your presence  
that we were conceived in unrighteousness  
and are full of sin and transgression all our life.  
We do not fully believe your Word as we ought,  
nor do we follow your holy commandments.  
Remember your goodness, we beseech you,  
and for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ,  
be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity  
which, alas, we admit is great.  
We ask this through the merit of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## ✠ Declaration of Forgiveness

Revelation 21:1–6

Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Behold, the dwelling place of God is with man. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people, and God himself will be with them as their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning nor crying nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away.”

▲ **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**

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### **Prayer for Illumination**

**Reading of Scripture** Romans 3:10–12, 21–24; 8:18–25 (p. 940; 944)

▲ **Hymn 696** I've Found the Pearl of Greatest Price! *Trinity Hymnal*

### **Preaching of the Word**

Rev. John Canales

**Sermon Text:** Ecclesiastes 5:8–9 (p. 555)  
*Overcoming the Evil Within*

<sup>8</sup> If you see in a province the oppression of the poor and the violation of justice and righteousness, do not be amazed at the matter, for the high official is watched by a higher, and there are yet higher ones over them. <sup>9</sup> But this is gain for a land in every way: a king committed to cultivated fields.

### **Prayer of Intercession**

▲ **Hymn 161** O Christ, Our Hope, Our Heart's Desire *Trinity Hymnal*



# God Communes with Us

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## ▲ **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

Come, all Christians, be committed  
To the service of the Lord.  
Make your lives for him more fitted,  
Tune your hearts with one accord.  
Come into his courts with gladness,  
Each his sacred vows renew,  
Turn away from sin and sadness,  
Be transformed with life anew.

Of your time and talents give ye,  
They are gifts from God above,  
To be used by Christians freely  
To proclaim his wondrous love.  
Come again to serve the Savior,  
Tithes and off'rings with you bring.  
In your work, with him find favor,  
And with joy his praises sing.

God's command to love each other  
Is required of ev'ry man.  
Showing mercy to a brother  
Mirrors his redemptive plan.  
In compassion he has given  
Of his love that is divine;  
On the cross sins were forgiven;  
Joy and peace are fully thine.

Come in praise and adoration,  
All who on Christ's name believe.  
Worship him with consecration,  
Grace and love will you receive.  
For his grace give him the glory,  
For the Spirit and the Word,  
And repeat the gospel story  
Till all men his name have heard.

He committed no sin, neither was deceit found in his mouth. When he was reviled, he did not revile in return; when he suffered, he did not threaten, but continued entrusting himself to him who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed. For you were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

***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

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## The Collection of Alms and Tithes

**Hymn**     My Worth Is Not in What I Own  
                  (congregation stands on last verse)

My worth is not in what I own;  
Not in the strength of flesh and bone.  
But in the costly wounds of love  
At the cross.

My worth is not in skill or name;  
In win or lose; in pride and shame.  
But in the blood of Christ that flowed  
At the cross.

*I rejoice in my Redeemer—  
Greatest treasure, Wellspring of my soul.  
I will trust in Him, no other;  
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die;  
Fame, youth, and beauty hurry by.  
But life eternal calls to us  
At the cross.

I will not boast in wealth or might,  
Or human wisdom's fleeting light.  
But I will boast in knowing Christ  
At the cross.

*I rejoice in my Redeemer—  
Greatest treasure, Wellspring of my soul.  
I will trust in Him, no other;  
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

Continues...

Two wonders here that I confess:  
My worth and my unworthiness.  
My value fixed— my ransom paid  
At the cross.

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My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

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## ▲ **The Benediction**

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# Sermon Notes

Ecclesiastes 5:8–9  
Overcoming the Evil Within

<b>HOME FELLOWSHIP GROUPS</b>		
<b>Group Leader</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Meeting Day/Time</b>
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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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### Staff

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