

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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Carol LeBoeuf
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Reflection

We all bow down before wealth. Wealth is that which the multitude of men pay an instinctive homage. They measure happiness by wealth; and by wealth they measure respectability. It is a homage resulting from a profound faith that with wealth he may do all things.

— Augustine of Hippo
Church Father (354–430)

There are three things that earthly riches can never do: they can never satisfy divine justice, they can never pacify divine wrath, nor can they every quiet a guilty conscience. And until these things are done, man is undone.

— Thomas Brooks
English Puritan (1608–1680)

It is not the fact that a person has riches that keeps them from heaven, but the fact that riches have him.

— John Caird
Scottish theologian (1820–1898)

A little is as much as a lot, if it is enough.

— Steve Brown
Presbyterian pastor

When a man has arrived so far, that he seeks his consolation from no created thing, then at this point he begins truly to taste what God is; then, too, will he be well content with everything that happens.

— Thomas à Kempis
German-Dutch priest (1380–1471)

God is most glorified in us when we are most satisfied in him.

— John Piper
Baptist pastor

We Prepare to Meet with God

Prelude

1 Peter 1:8–9

Music by Stephen Dubberly

Though we have not seen him, we love him,
and even though we don't see him now,
we believe in him.

And we rejoice with an inexpressible and glorious joy,
for we are receiving the goal of our faith,
the salvation of our souls.

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for we are receiving the goal of our faith,
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We love him,
We love him,
We believe in him,
We rejoice.

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: Grace, mercy and peace from God the Father
and Christ Jesus our Lord! *1 Timothy 1:2b*

All: Amen.

Call to Worship

Psalm 9:1–2

Leader: I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart;
I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

**All: I will be glad and exult in you;
I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

O give the Lord wholehearted praise.
To him thanksgiving I will bring;
with all his people I will raise
my voice and of his glory sing

His saints delight to search and trace
his mighty works and wondrous ways.
Majestic glory, boundless grace,
and righteousness his work displays.

God's wondrous deeds of faithfulness
his people ever keep in mind.
His works of love and graciousness
reveal that God the Lord is kind.

God's promise shall forever stand;
he cares for those who trust his word.
Upon his saints his mighty hand
the wealth of nations has conferred.

His works are true and just indeed,
his precepts are forever sure.
In truth and righteousness decreed,
they shall forever more endure.

From God his saints' redemption came;
his cov'nant sure no change can know.
Let all revere his holy name
in heav'n above and earth below.

In rev'rence and in godly fear
man finds the gate to wisdom's ways;
The wise his holy name revere.
Through endless ages sound his praise!

▲ **Prayer of Petition and Adoration**

▲ Congregation stands as able

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession of Sin

1 Timothy 6:6–10

Godliness with contentment is great gain, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs.

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

Glorious God and gracious Father,
we confess that we often fail
to recognize the magnitude of our sinfulness.

We have lived as those
who are depraved in mind
and deprived of the truth.

We have given in to unhealthy cravings,
both for quarrels and for money;
and, to our shame,
these cravings have led us and those around us
into trouble and sorrow,
into ungodliness and discontent.

We repent of our many sins
and look to Christ alone for forgiveness and cleansing.
Renew our minds and transform our lives, we pray,
through your Holy Spirit and your holy Word.
Give us contentment and satisfaction in Christ.
Give us the desire to be more like him,
to find in him our lasting treasure and our greatest good.
We pray this in his name,
he who became poor for our sake,
who delighted in doing your will
and went obediently to the cross on our behalf. Amen.

⤴ Declaration of Forgiveness

2 Timothy 1:9–10

[God] saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, and which now has been manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel.

⤴ *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

Luke 12:15–34 (p. 871)

⤴ **Hymn 508** Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Trinity Hymnal

Sermon Text: Ecclesiastes 5:10–20 (p. 555)

*True Contentment,
Regardless of How Much You Make*

¹⁰ He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹ When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹² Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³ There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴ and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵ As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶ This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷ Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸ Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹ Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰ For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

Prayer of Intercession

▲ **Hymn 565** All for Jesus!

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

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 unto Jesus, all you who are weary;
Come to the mercy seat, fervently kneel.
Here, bring your wounded hearts, broken and needy;
Come unto Jesus, mighty to heal.

Joy of the comfortless, light for the straying,
Hope of the penitent, peace in our strife.
Here speaks the Comforter, tenderly saying,
“My yoke is easy, my burden is light.”

*Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus; rest in His love.*

Come taste the Bread of Life, broken for sinners;
Drink from the cup of His promise made sure.
Feast at His table as sons and as daughters;
Grace overflowing is yours evermore.

*Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus; rest in His love.*

Come now and follow Him, this life forsaking.
All that was gain, count as nothing but loss.
Trade all this world for His kingdom unfading.
Come unto Jesus, take up your cross.

*Come unto Jesus, come unto Jesus.
Lay down your burdens, He is enough.
Come unto Jesus; rest in His love.
Come unto Jesus; rest in His love.*

Let brotherly love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” So we can confidently say,

“The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?”

Remember your leaders, those who spoke to you the word of God. Consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Do not be led away by diverse and strange teachings, for it is good for the heart to be strengthened by grace, not by foods, which have not benefited those devoted to them. We have an altar from which those who serve the tent have no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals whose blood is brought into the holy places by the high priest as a sacrifice for sin are burned outside the camp. So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood. Therefore let us go to him outside the camp and bear the reproach he endured. For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come. Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to 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

Hymn 642

Be Thou My Vision

Trinity Hymnal

(congregation stands on last verse)

⤴ The Benediction

Sermon Notes

Ecclesiastes 5:10–20

True Contentment, Regardless of How Much You Make

| HOME FELLOWSHIP GROUPS | | |
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| Leng Ea | 817.412.8625 | Ea's home Fridays at 6:30–8:00 p.m. |
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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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