

CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH in FRISCO (PCA)

A Service of the Word, Prayer and the Lord's Supper Lord's Day, Oct 6, 2024

Prelude

Words of Welcome & Preparation for Worship¹

*Call to Worship² from Psalm 67: 1-3

Minister: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us,

People: that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

Minister: Let the peoples praise you, O God;

People: let all the peoples praise you!

*Song of Praise3

"How Great is Our God"

Tomlin/Cash/Reeves

1. The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty, Let all the earth rejoice; All the earth rejoice. He wraps Himself in light And darkness tries to hide, And trembles at His voice; And trembles at His voice.

CH: How great is our God! Sing with me, "How great is our God"! And all will see how great, How great is our God!

¹ As a courtesy, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Thank you!

Please stand if able

² We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name. * = Please stand if able

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2. And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands, Beginning and the End; Beginning and the End. The Godhead three in one, Father, Spirit, Son; The Lion and the Lamb; The Lion and the Lamb.

BRIDGE: Name above all names, Worthy of all praise, My heart will sing How great is our God!

*Song of Praise 2 - -

"All I Have is Christ"

Kauflin

 I once was lost in darkest night, Yet thought I knew the way.
 The sin that promised joy and life Had led me to the grave.
 I had no hope that You would own A rebel to Your will,
 And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still.

2. But as I ran my hell-bound race, Indifferent to the cost,You looked upon my helpless state And led me to the cross.And I beheld God's love displayed; You suffered in my place.You bore the wrath reserved for me; Now all I know is grace.

CH: Hallelujah! All I have is Christ! Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!

3. Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me.
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose,
And let my song forever be,
"My only boast is You!"

*Prayer of Adoration

Scripture Reading

Call to Confession we acknowledge our sin

Heavenly Father, we acknowledge our struggles in the face of trials and tribulations. We confess that at times we have allowed fear to overshadow our faith. Instead of trusting in Your promises, we have worried about our circumstances. Lord, cleanse our hearts and renew our minds. Help us to stand firm in our faith and to encourage one another in love. Thank You for the assurance that even in suffering, we are not alone. You are the First and the Last, the One who overcame death.

Private Reflection & Confession of Sin

As you confess your sins, pray that the Holy Spirit would more and more awaken your desires to the beauty of Christ.

Offer of Forgiveness through Christ

we receive His Grace

Hear what sweet words of comfort the Lord gives to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ: The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing. ~Zephaniah 3: 17

Friends, believe the good news of the Gospel: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven!

*Song of Rejoicing -

"How Deep the Father's Love for Us"

Townend

- How deep the Father's love for us, How vast beyond all measure; That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure.
 How great the pain of searing loss— The Father turns His face away
 As wounds which mar the Chosen One Bring many sons to glory.
- Behold the Man upon cross,
 My sin upon His shoulders.
 Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
 Call out among the scoffers.
 It was my sin that held Him there
 Until it was accomplished.
 His dying breath has brought me life;
 I know that it is finished.
- 3. I will not boast in anything:
 No gifts, no power, no wisdom.
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
 His death and resurrection.
 Why should I gain from His reward?
 I cannot give an answer.
 But this I know with all my heart:
 His wounds have paid my ransom.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

Worship by Giving

Proverbs 3:9-10

Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.

Prayers for Christ's Church & World

"Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy 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 thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen (Matthew 6.9–13; KJV)

The Greeting & Doxology

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.

Scripture Reading – Revelation 2:8-11

Sermon: Dear Smyrna

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper⁴

Invitation & Words of Institution

Matthew 26: 26-29

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." ²⁷ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, ²⁸ for this is my blood of the^[c] covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. ²⁹ I tell you I will not drink again of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

*Departing Song - -

"Lord I Need You"

Maher

1. Lord, I come, I confess; Bowing here I find my rest. And without You I fall apart; You're the one that guides my heart.

³ The bread and juice you see on the Communion table may not look like much to the casual observer. In fact, it is merely bread and juice. What makes this meal special is that the Lord Jesus Christ is spiritually present in a unique way. This sacrament is not something to be taken lightly; neither is it a time to be somber. Rather, we should be filled with thankfulness and joy. Our Savior, out of His great mercy, bids His people to come to this meal. If you are a member of a church who embraces the Gospel of Jesus Christ and are at peace with your fellow Christians, we welcome you to this table. Come and consider with us our Lord's body and shed blood symbolized in the bread and juice. Rejoice with us in our union with Him and with each other as His Covenant people. For those not taking Communion today, we encourage you to carefully consider the claims of Christ, that you would repent and believe the Good News of the Gospel, and we look forward to the day when you may join us in this meal.

Ch: Lord, I need You, O I need You; Ev'ry hour I need You— My one defense, my righteousness— O God, how I need You.

2. Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more; Where grace is found is where You are.

And where You are, Lord, I am free;

Holiness is Christ in me.

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Bridge: So teach my song to rise to You When temptation comes my way;
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You;
Jesus, You're my hope and stay.
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*Benediction

Postlude