



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 26, 2025
Reformation Sunday

*Making disciples who love Christ, his Word and his
Church, through the ordinary means of grace.*

Christ Presbyterian Church

Order for the Worship of God

Lord's Day October 26, 2025

Welcome and Announcements

To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and long for comfort, to all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares, to all who fail and desire strength, to all who sin and need a Savior, to all who hunger and thirst for righteousness and to whoever will come this church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship

Psalm 46:1-3, 10

Leader: "God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble."

People: "Therefore we will not fear though the earth give way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea."

Minister: "Though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling."

People: "Be still, and know that I am God. I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth!"

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing
Our helper He amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe
His craft and pow'r are great and armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be, Christ Jesus it is He
Lord Sabaoth His name from age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And tho' this world with devils filled should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed, His truth to triumph thru us
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him
His rage we can endure, for lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours thru Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also
The body they may kill, God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

Prayer of Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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.

Gloria Patri

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

Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed

Minister: Christians what do we believe?

**All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;**

and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.*

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is His new creation by water and the Word
From heaven He came and sought her to be His holy bride
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died

Elect from every nation, yet one over all the earth
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth
One holy Name she blesses, partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses, with every grace endued

The church shall never perish, her dear Lord to defend
To guide, sustain and cherish, is with her to the end
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale
Against a foe or traitor, she ever shall prevail

Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore
'Til, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blessed
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with Thee

Call to Confession

Mark 7:14-15, 20-23

“And he called the people to him again and said to them, ‘Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him.’...And he said, ‘What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.’”

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sins together. Most merciful Father, we have sinned against and are guilty before you. Forgive us the sins of our tongues:

All: For deception and untruthfulness in our dealings with others; for resentment, impatience, and tempers out of control.

Minister: Forgive us for the sins of our eyes.

All: For impurity in our glances and imagination, for pining after more beauty, comfort, status and wealth than you have already given us.

Minister: Forgive us the sins of our hearts.

All: For hard-heartedness toward you and our neighbors; for pride, self-absorption, partiality, self-pity and, above all, for rebelling against your Lordship and doubting your love. Holy Father, kill our envy, remove our pride and melt our hearts. Give grace to be holy, kind, gentle and pure, to live for you and not for ourselves, being transformed into your likeness.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

1 Peter 1:18-19

“Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver and gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without spot or without blemish.”

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 100 (The One Hundredth)/Nothing But the Blood

All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice
Serve Him with joy, His praises tell
Come now before Him and rejoice

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Oh! Precious is the flow That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus

This is all my hope and peace, Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness, Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Oh! Precious is the flow That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know, Nothing but the blood of Jesus

O enter then His gates with joy
Within His courts His praise proclaim
Let faithful songs your tongues employ
O bless and magnify His name

Tithes and Offering

The Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him, all creatures here below
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Preaching of God's Word

Rev. Nolan Williamson

"The Righteous Shall Live By Faith"

Habakkuk 2:4

In Christ Alone

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

Benediction



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