

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 27, 2024
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 27, 2024

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, 7

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

All: Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way, though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble at its swelling...The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Praise to the Lord
The Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear
Now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord
Who over all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings
Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
How all your longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness
And mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath
Come now with praises before Him
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again
Gladly for aye we adore Him

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 Westminster Creed; Part 1

Minister: What do we believe?

All: I believe man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever; I believe that the word of God, contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule given to direct us how to glorify and enjoy God.

I believe God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth; I believe there is but one true and living God; that there are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and that these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory; I believe God's purpose is eternal, having foreordained whatever comes to pass; that God made all things of nothing, by the word of His power, in the space of six days, and all very good; and that God preserves and governs all His creatures and all their actions.

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 Psalm 41:4

"As for me, I said, "O Lord, be gracious to me; heal me, for I have sinned against you!"

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Holy Father, we acknowledge that we know the truth of your law. Your Son our Lord Jesus Christ teaches us your perfect law in summary in Mark 12:30-31, "And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' The second is this: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." O Lord, we confess that we have broken your holy law. We have not loved you with all our heart, all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength. We have often failed to love those around us as you have called us to. Instead, we have been quick to forget your law and we have broken your Word in thought, word, and deed. Foolishly we have believed the empty promises made by the temptations of sin and found ourselves suffering from its consequences and reaping what we have sowed. Forgive us we cry! We plead for your mercy based on the merit of our Lord lesus Christ alone. Restore to us the joy of salvation and grant to us new obedience. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

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."

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Grace Greater Than All Our Sin

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt! Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured There where the blood of the Lamb was spilled

Chorus

Grace, grace, God's grace
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace, grace, God's grace
Grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold Threaten the soul with infinite loss Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold Points to the refuge, the mighty cross

Chorus

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide What can avail to wash it away? Look! There is flowing a crimson tide Whiter than snow you may be today

Chorus

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace Freely bestowed on all who believe! You that are longing to see His face Will you this moment His grace receive?

Chorus

Prayer of Intercession

Dr. Mike Kirkwood

Tithes and Offerings

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

"God's Sovereignty"
Romans 8:28-32

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

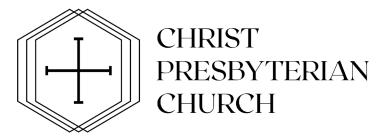
A mighty fortress is our God A Bulwark never failing Our Helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing For still our ancient Foe Doth seek to work us woe His craft and pow'r are great And armed with cruel hate On earth is not his equal

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 Sabbaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

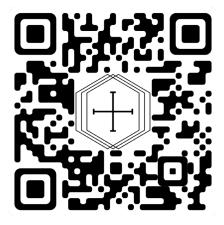
And though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The Prince of Darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That Word above all earthly pow'r
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through 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!

Benediction



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SUNDAY SERVICE

10:30 am - The Don Walker Education Center at the Sam Houston Memorial Museum

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