

# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 29, 2023
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 29, 2023

## **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 138:1-3

"I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise; I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word. On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul you increased."

#### The Solid Rock

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness. I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

# **Chorus**

On Christ, the solid Rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand; All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace. In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus

His oath, His covenant, His blood, Support me in the whelming flood. When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay

#### Chorus

When He shall come with trumpet sound, Oh may I then in Him be found. Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

#### Chorus

# **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 Confession of Faith 8.5

**Minister:** What do we believe about the work of Christ?

All: The Lord Jesus, by his perfect obedience, and sacrifice of himself, which he, through the eternal Spirit, once offered up unto God, hath fully satisfied the justice of his Father; and purchased, not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father hath given unto him.

#### Psalm 46

God is our refuge and our strength
A helper ever near us
We will not fear though earth be moved
For God is nigh to cheer us
Although the mountains quake
And earth's foundations shake
Though angry billows roar
And break against the shore
Our mighty God will hear us

God's city is forever blest
With living waters welling
Since God is there, she stands unmoved
'Mid tumults round her swelling
God speaks and all is peace
From war the nations cease
The Lord of hosts is nigh
Our father's God Most High
Is our eternal dwelling

Behold what God has done on earth
His wrath brings desolation
His grace, commanding wars to cease
Brings peace to ev'ry nation
Be still, for he is Lord
By all the earth adored
The Lord of hosts is nigh
Our father's God Most High
Is our strong habitation

Call to Confession Romans 5:12

"Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—"

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O Lord God, Eternal God and Almighty Father, we confess and acknowledge most sincerely before Your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in iniquity and corruption, prone to evil, incapable of any good, and that in our depravity we transgress Your holy commandments without end or ceasing: Wherefore we purchase for ourselves, through Your righteous judgment, our ruin and perdition. Nevertheless, O Lord, we are grieved that we have offended You; and we condemn ourselves and sins with true repentance, beseeching Your grace to relieve our distress. O God and Father, most gracious and full of compassion, have mercy upon us in the name of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. And as You blot out our sins and stains, magnify and increase in us day by day the grace of Your Holy Spirit: that as we acknowledge our unrighteousness with all our heart, we may be moved by that sorrow which will bring forth true repentance in us, mortifying all our sins, and producing in us the fruits of righteousness and innocence which are pleasing unto You; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

## **Silent Confession**

# **Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

Isaiah 55:6-7

"Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near; let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts; let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

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

## All: Thanks be to God!

# **How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds**

How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds In a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds And drives away his fear It makes the wounded spirit whole And calms the troubled breast 'Tis manna to the hungry soul And to the weary, rest

Dear Name, the rock on which I build My shield and hiding place My never failing treasury, filled With boundless stores of grace!

Weak is the effort of my heart And cold my warmest thought But when I see Thee as Thou art I'll praise Thee as I ought

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend My Prophet, Priest, and King My Lord, my life, my way, my end Accept the praise I bring

# **Prayer of Intercession**

Mr. Clint Allen

# **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

"Solus Christus"

Romans 3:21-26

#### 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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# **SUNDAY SERVICE**

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

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