



# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 30, 2025  
*The First Sunday of Advent*

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*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 November 30, 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

Isaiah 9:2, 6

Minister: The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone.

**All: For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.**

### Psalm 8

O LORD, our Lord, in all the earth  
How excellent Your name  
For you have set above the heav'ns  
Your glory and Your fame

From infants' and from children's lips  
You ordered praise to sound  
To silence all Your enemies  
The wicked to confound

When I regard the heav'ns You made  
Your fingers' work I trace  
I see the moon and shining stars  
Which You have set in place

I ask myself, "What then is man  
That You should give him thought  
The son of man, that you to him  
Such gracious care have brought?"

You made him little less than those  
Who dwell in heav'n above  
And You have crowned and honored him  
With glory from above

You made him ruler of the works  
Created by your hand  
You placed all things beneath his feet  
To be in his command

All sheep and oxen, birds and fish  
All beasts both wild and tame  
O LORD, our Lord, in all the earth  
How excellent your name

### **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 Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 16-18

Minister: Why must the mediator be a true and righteous human?

**All: God's justice demands that human nature, which has sinned, must pay for sin; but a sinful human could never pay for others.**

Minister: Why must the mediator also be true God?

**All: So that the mediator, by the power of his divinity, might bear the weight of God's wrath in his humanity and earn for us and restore to us righteousness and life.**

Minister: Then who is this mediator—true God and at the same time a true and righteous human?

**All: Our Lord Jesus Christ, who was given to us to completely deliver us and make us right with God.**

### **God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen**

God rest ye merry, gentlemen, let nothing you dismay  
For Jesus Christ our Savior was born on Christmas Day  
To save us all from satan's power when we were gone astray  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy

From God our heavenly father a blessed angel came  
And unto certain shepherds brought tidings of the same  
How that in Bethlehem was born the son of God by name  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy

"Fear not," then said the angel, "Let nothing you affright  
This day is born a Savior of a pure virgin bright  
To free all those who trust in Him from sin's full pow'r and might"  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy

Now to the Lord sing praises all you within this place  
And with true love and brotherhood each other now embrace  
This holy tide of Christmas all others does deface  
O tidings of comfort and joy, comfort and joy  
O tidings of comfort and joy

## Call to Confession

James 2:8-10

“If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself,’ you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it.”

## Confession of Sin

Adapted from Richard Baxter’s The Savoy Liturgy (1661)

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

**All: O most great, just, and gracious God. You condemn the ungodly, but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ. We confess that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have dishonored and neglected those around us. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have run into temptations, and the sin, which we should have hated. We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous against your commands, promises, threats, mercies and judgments. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.**

## Silent Confession

## Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Ephesians 1:7

“In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace...”

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

## **He Will Hold Me Fast**

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast  
When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast  
I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path  
For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast

### **Chorus**

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast  
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast  
Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast  
He'll not let my soul be lost, His Promises shall last  
Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast

### *Chorus*

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast  
Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast  
Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast  
Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last

### *Chorus 2x*

**Prayer of Intercession**

Mr. Alex Champagne

## **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

**"Who is Jesus Christ?"**

Matthew 1:1-17

**O Come All Ye Faithful**

O come all ye faithful, joyful and triumphant  
O come ye, O come ye to Bethlehem  
Come and behold Him, born the King of angels

**Chorus**

O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
O come let us adore Him  
Christ the Lord

God of God, Light of Light  
Lo, He abhors not the virgin's womb  
Very God, begotten not created

*Chorus*

Sing choirs of angels, sing in exultation  
Sing all ye citizens of heaven above  
Glory to God all glory in the highest

*Chorus*

Yea, Lord we greet thee, born this happy morning  
Jesus to Thee be all glory given  
Word of the Father now in flesh appearing

*Chorus*

**Benediction**



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