

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 29, 2024

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 December 29, 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 108:1-4

Minister: My heart is steadfast, O God! I will sing and make melody with all my being!

All: Awake, O harp and lyre! I will awake the dawn! I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples; I will sing praises to you among the nations. For your steadfast love is great above the heavens; your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in thee
I give thee back the life I owe
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer fuller be

O Light that follows all my way
I yield my flick'ring torch to thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in thy sunshine's blaze
Its day may brighter fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

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

Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A 24-26

Minister: How doth Christ execute the office of a prophet?

All: Christ executeth the office of a prophet, in revealing to us, by his Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

Minister: How doth Christ execute the office of a priest?

All: Christ executeth the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

Minister: How doth Christ execute the office of a king?

All: Christ executeth the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

My Faith Has Found a Resting Place

My faith has found a resting place
From guilt my soul is free
I trust the Ever-living One
His wounds shall plead for me.

Chorus

I need no other argument
I need no other plea
It is enough that Jesus died
And that He died for me

My great physician heals the sick
The lost He came to save
For me His precious blood He shed
For me His life He gave

Chorus

My heart is leaning on the Word
The written Word of God
Salvation by my Savior's name
Salvation through His blood

Chorus

Call to Confession

Romans 3:19

"Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God."

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all who call upon you, hear us as we humbly confess our sins and seek your forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude; our pride and willfulness; and all our other failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our fellowmen.

Have mercy upon us, Father, and by your great goodness grant that we may possess the fullness of the Spirit of adoption, freeing us from guilt, and causing us to pursue holiness. By your gospel, encourage us and save sinners today. We ask expectantly through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Isaiah 43:25

“I, I am he who blots out your transgressions for my own sake, and I will not remember your sins.”

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Jesus, What a Friend of Sinners

Jesus! What a friend for sinners!
Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me,
He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness!
Let me hide myself in Him.
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,
He, my strength, my victory wins.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a help in sorrow!
While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking,
He, my comfort, helps my soul.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

Jesus! I do now receive Him,
More than all in Him I find.
He hath granted me forgiveness,
I am His, and He is mine.

Hallelujah! What a Savior!
Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving,
He is with me to the end.

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 Purpose of the Law"

Galatians 3:19-25

He Is Exalted

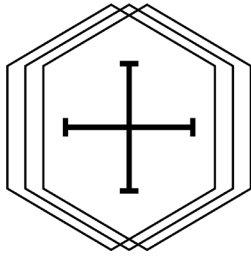
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The King is exalted on high
I will praise Him
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name

He is the Lord
Forever His truth shall reign
Heaven and earth
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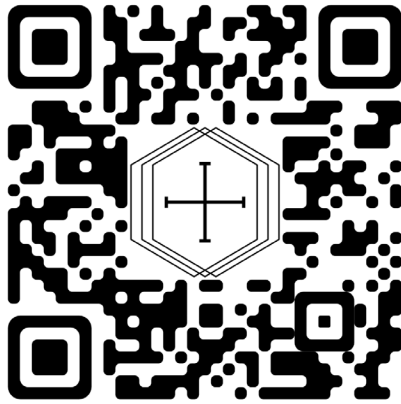
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Benediction



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