

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

December 3, 2023

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 3, 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

Isaiah 64:1, 8-9

Minister: Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—

All: But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

O Come O Come Emmanuel

O come O come Emmanuel And ransom captive Israel That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear

Chorus

Rejoice rejoice Emmanuel Shall come to thee O Israel

O come Thou Rod of Jesse free Thine own from Satan's tyranny From depths of hell Thy people save And give them victory o'er the grave

Chorus

O come thou Dayspring come and cheer Our spirits by Thine Advent here And drive away the shadows of night And pierce the clouds and bring us light O come Desire of nations bind All peoples in one heart and mind Bid Thou our sad divisions cease And be Thyself our King of peace

Chorus (2x)

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:

Colossians 1:15-20

Minister: Who is Jesus, the Christ?

People: We believe Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Christ The Sure And Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
In the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me
And my sails have all been torn
In the suffering in the sorrow
When my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
While the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle
And it seems the night has won
Deeper still then goes the anchor
Though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor,
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
Through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow O my soul now
Lift your eyes to Calvary
This my ballast of assurance
See His love forever proved
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
As we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory
And we draw our final breath
We will cross that great horizon
Clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better
For the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation
Ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Call to Confession Isaiah 53:3-4

"He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted."

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty God, who art rich in mercy to all those who call upon you: Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and transgressions, and imploring your mercy and 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 failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our neighbors. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Isaiah 53:6,12

"We all, like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all...He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors."

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

All: Thanks be to God!

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

When I survey the wondrous cross On which the Prince of glory died My richest gain I count but loss And pour contempt on all my pride

Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast Save in the death of Christ my God All the vain things that charm me most I sacrifice them to His blood

See from His head, His hands, His feet Sorrow and love flow mingled down Did e'er such love and sorrow meet Or thorns compose so rich a crown?

Were the whole realm of nature mine That were a present far too small Love so amazing, so divine Demands my soul, my life, my all

Prayer of Intercession

Mr. Aaron Lockhart

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

Mr. Clint Allen

Micah 5:1-5
"The Hope of Israel"

Come Thou long-expected Jesus

Come Thou long-expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free From our fears and sins release us Let us find our rest in Thee

Israel's strength and consolation Hope of all the saints Thou art Dear desire of every nation Joy of every longing heart

Born Thy people to deliver Born a child and yet a King Born to reign in us forever Now Thy gracious kingdom bring

By Thine own eternal Spirit Rule in all our hearts alone By Thine all sufficient merit Raise us to Thy glorious throne

Come Thou long-expected Jesus Born to set Thy people free From our fears and sins release us Let us find our rest in Thee

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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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