

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 18, 2024

Making disciples who love Christ, his Word and his Church, through the ordinary means of grace.

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Order for the Worship of God Lord's Day February 18, 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 63:1-4

Minister: "O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water."

People: "So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary, beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you. So I will bless you as long as I live; in your name I will lift up my hands."

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee Who wert and art and ever more shall be

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee Perfect in power, in love, and purity Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty! All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky, and sea Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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.

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 followest all my way I yield my flickering 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

Call to Confession

Proverbs 10:29-32

"The way of the Lord is a stronghold to the blameless, but destruction to evildoers. The righteous will never be removed, but the wicked will not dwell in the land. The mouth of the righteous brings forth wisdom, but the perverse tongue will be cut off. The lips of the righteous know what is acceptable, but the mouth of the wicked, what is perverse."

Confession of Sin

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O holy Father, because we are fallen sinful creatures, it is so easy for us to think only of ourselves and ignore the needs of others. Our sinful natures lead us to selfishness and indifference. Thereby, do we murder our brother and sister in our hearts and sin against you, our Father. O Lord, we do humbly confess our selfish nature and plead your forgiveness. Give us, we pray, the mind and heart of our Savior who loved the unlovely and redeemed us from destruction. Burden us with the souls of those who are perishing that we may be bold to testify of the saving grace of Jesus Christ. Use us, your people, to gather your elect from the four corners of this world so that your glory may cover the earth as the waters cover the sea. In the mighty name of Jesus Christ, we pray. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Hebrews 9:13-14

"For if the blood of goats and bulls, and the sprinkling of defiled persons with the ashes of a heifer, sanctify for the purification of the flesh, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to serve the living God?"

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Psalm 130 (From the Depths of Woe)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark

O who shall stand before Thee?(Who shall stand before Thee?) O who shall stand before Thee?(Who shall stand before Thee?)

To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth Our works, alas! Are all in vain; in much the best life faileth No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might

> And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy) And live alone by mercy (Live alone by mercy)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit On Him my soul shall rest, His word upholds my fainting spirit His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort and my sweet support

> I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience) I wait for it with patience (Wait for it with patience)

What though I wait the live-long night, and 'til the dawn appeareth My heart still trusteth in His might; it doubteth not nor feareth Do thus, O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed

> And wait 'til God appeareth (Wait 'til God appeareth) And wait 'til God appeareth (Wait 'til God appeareth)

Though great our sins and sore our woes His grace much more aboundeth His helping love no limit knows, our upmost need it soundeth Our Shepherd good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free

> From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow) From all their sin and sorrow (All their sin and sorrow)

Prayer of Intercession

Mr. 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

"Shamgar: A Mysterious Deliverer"

Judges 3:31

Come Behold The Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry In the dawning of the King He the theme of heaven's praises Robed in frail humanity In our longing in our darkness Now the light of life has come Look to Christ who condescended Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry He the perfect Son of Man In His living in His suff'ring Never trace nor stain of sin See the true and better Adam Come to save the hell-bound man Christ the great and sure fulfillment Of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry Christ the Lord upon the tree In the stead of ruined sinners Hangs the Lamb in victory See the price of our redemption See the Father's plan unfold Bringing many sons to glory Grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry Slain by death the God of life But no grave could e'er restrain Him Praise the Lord He is alive What a foretaste of deliv'rance How unwavering our hope Christ in power resurrected As we will be when He comes

Benediction



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

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