

# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 16, 2025

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 March 16, 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 Psalm 22:27-28

Minister: "All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,"

All: "And all the families of the nations shall worship before you. For kingship belongs to the Lord, and he rules over the nations."

#### O Great God

O great God of highest heav'n
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer ev'ry rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists Your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me Yours forever more

I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear Your voice
Did not know Your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then Your Spirit gave me life
Opened up Your word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on Your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my ev'ry thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n
Glorify Your Name through me

You are worthy to be praised With my ev'ry thought and deed O great God of highest heav'n Glorify Your Name through me

## **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 Apostles' Creed

Minister: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth; And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell\*. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sits on the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic\* Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

\*Christ "descended into hell" as he suffered the pain and torment of divine wrath

## **How Deep The Father's Love For Us**

How deep the Father's love for us
How vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss
The Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

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<sup>\*</sup>The term "catholic" refers to the church universal, all true believers in the Lord Jesus Christ

"And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him."...And he said, "What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

#### **Confession of Sin**

Minister: Let us confess our sins together. Most merciful Father, we have sinned against and are guilty before you. Forgive us the sins of our tongues:

All: For deception and untruthfulness in our dealings with others; for resentment, impatience, and tempers out of control.

Minister: Forgive us for the sins of our eyes.

All: For impurity in our glances and imagination, for pining after more beauty, comfort, status and wealth than you have already given us.

Minister: Forgive us the sins of our hearts.

All: For hard-heartedness toward you and our neighbors; for pride, self-absorption, partiality, self-pity and, above all, for rebelling against your Lordship and doubting your love. Holy Father, kill our envy, remove our pride and melt our hearts. Give grace to be holy, kind, gentle and pure, to live for you and not for ourselves, being transformed into your likeness.

#### **Silent Confession**

#### **Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

1 Peter 1:18-19

"Knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver and gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without spot or without blemish."

All: Thanks be to God!

#### Psalm 130

Lord, from the depths to You I cry O Lord, to me give ear And give attention to my voice My cry for mercy hear

If You, O Lord, should mark our sins Then who, O Lord, could stand? But pardon can be found with You That you may fear command

I wait, my soul awaits the Lord My hope is in His Word Yes, more than watchmen wait for dawn My soul awaits the Lord

O Israel, hope in God the Lord For mercy is with Him With great redemption He will save His Israel from all sin With great redemption He will save His Israel from all sin

## **Prayer of Intercession**

## **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.

The Preaching of God's Word

Mr. Julio Rodriguez

"A Story about Justification"

Luke 18:9-14

## Jesus, I Come

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light
Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of my sickness into Thy health
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth
Out of my sin and into Thyself
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross
Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm
Out of distress into jubilant psalm
Jesus, I come to Thee

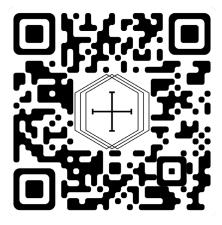
Out of unrest and arrogant pride
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide
Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love
Out of despair into raptures above
Upward forever on wings like a dove
Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come
Into the joy and light of Thy home
Jesus, I come to Thee
Out of the depths of ruin untold
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold
Ever Thy glorious face to behold
Jesus, I come to 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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