

# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

April 21, 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 April 21, 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 9:1-2, 11

Minister: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

People: I will be glad and exult in you; I will sing praise to your name, O Most High. Sing praises to the Lord, who sits enthroned in Zion! Tell among the peoples his deeds!

#### Psalm 24

The earth and it's riches abundantly stored The world and its dwellers belong to the LORD For he on the seas its foundations has laid And firm on the waters its pillars has stayed

O who shall the mount of the LORD God ascend? And who in the place of his holiness stand? The man of pure heart and of hands without stain Who swears not to idols, nor serves what is vain

Yes, he from the LORD shall a blessing receive The God of salvation shall righteousness give Thus looking to him is a whole blessed race All those who, like Jacob, are seeking your face

O gates, lift your heads! Ancient doors, lift them high! The great King of glory to enter draws nigh! O who is the King that in glory draws near? The LORD, mighty LORD of the battle, is here! O gates, lift your heads! Ancient doors, lift them high! The great King of glory to enter draws nigh! This great King of glory, O who can he be? The LORD God of hosts, King of glory is he!

# **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 Nicene Creed

Minister: Christians what do we believe?

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets;

and we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

\*The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.

# The Lord Is My Salvation

The grace of God has reached for me And pulled me from the raging sea And I am safe on this solid ground The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

#### Chorus

Who is like the Lord our God Strong to save faithful in love My debt is paid and the victory won The Lord is my salvation

My hope is hidden in the Lord He flow'rs each promise of His Word When winter fades I know spring will come The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting times of need When I know loss when I am weak I know His grace will renew these days The Lord is my salvation

#### Chorus

And when I reach the final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation

Chorus

**Call to Confession** Romans 2:1, 4

"Therefore, you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things...Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?"

#### **Confession of Sin**

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Oh Lord our God who is gracious and merciful and abounding in steadfast love and who relents from disaster we confess before you this day our sin. The evidence of sin is all around us. Each day we are reminded that things are not the way they are supposed to be. Creation itself groans because of its subjection to the sinfulness of mankind. We confess that we are sinners not because we sin, but we sin because we are by nature sinners. We know that if you had not been merciful to us by your free and sovereign grace, we could have never freed ourselves from the bondage of sin. If you had not sent your only Son, our Lord Jesus Christ to atone for our sins we could have never escaped the penalty of sin. We give you praise this day that we have been saved by grace through faith in Christ alone! Father, forgive us for sins in thought, word and deed and give us hearts of compassion for the lost around us who do not know their right hand from their left. Cause us by your Spirit to walk in the newness of life that has been purchased for us. Amen.

#### **Silent Confession**

## **Assurance of Pardon and Comfort**

Romans 5:1-2

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God."

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

# All: Thanks be to God!

# Approach, My Soul, the Mercy Seat

Approach, my soul, the mercy seat where Jesus answers prayer There humbly fall before his feet, for none can perish there Thy promise is my only plea; with this I venture nigh Thou callest burdened souls to thee, and such, O Lord, am I

Bowed down beneath a load of sin, by Satan sorely pressed By war without and fears within, I come to thee for rest Be thou my shield and hiding place, that, sheltered near thy side I may my fierce accuser face, and tell him thou hast died

O wondrous love! to bleed and die, to bear the cross and shame That guilty sinners, such as I, might plead thy gracious name! "Poor tempest-toss-ed soul, be still; My promised grace receive I'll work in thee both power and will; Thou shalt in me believe"

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# **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

Rev. Nolan Williamson

"Gideon: The Weak & Mighty Deliverer; Part 4"

Judges 7:24-8:35

#### **Christ The True And Better**

Christ the true and better Adam
Son of God and Son of man
Who when tempted in the garden
Never yielded never sinned
He who makes the many righteous
Brings us back to life again
Dying He reversed the curse then
Rising crushed the serpent's head

Christ the true and better Isaac
Humble son of sacrifice
Who would climb the fearful mountain
There to offer up his life
Laid with faith upon the altar
Father's joy and only son
There salvation was provided
Oh what full and boundless love

#### Chorus

Amen, amen, from beginning to end Christ the story, His the glory, Alleluia, Amen

Christ the true and better Moses
Called to lead a people home
Standing bold to earthly powers
God's great glory to be known
With his arms stretched wide to heaven
See the waters part in two
See the veil is torn forever
Cleansed with blood we pass now through

Christ the true and better David
Lowly shepherd mighty King
He the champion in the battle
Where o death is now thy sting?
In our place He bled and conquered
Crown Him Lord of majesty
His shall be the throne forever
We shall e'er His people be

#### **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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