

CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 25, 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 August 25, 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 72:17-19

Minister: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

All: Blessed be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!"

A Mighty Fortress

A mighty fortress is our God A Bulwark never failing Our Helper He amid the flood Of mortal ills prevailing For still our ancient Foe Doth seek to work us woe His craft and pow'r are great And armed with cruel hate On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right Man on our side
The Man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be
Christ Jesus it is He
Lord Sabbaoth His name
From age to age the same
And He must win the battle

And though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The Prince of Darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That Word above all earthly pow'r
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through Him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever!

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

Heidelberg Catechism Q&A 1

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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!

Call to Confession Romans 3:10-12, 20

"As it is written: "None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one...For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin."

Confession of Sin

Adapted from Richard Baxter's Savoy Liturgy (1661)

O most great, just, and gracious God. You condemn the ungodly, but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ. We confess that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have dishonored and neglected those around us. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have run into temptations, and the sin, which we should have hated. We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous against your commands, promises, threats, mercies and judgments. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Romans 10:11-12

"For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

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)

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

"Judges: Right in Their Own Eyes"

Judges 20:1-21:25

All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave I had no hope that You would own a rebel to Your will And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace

Chorus

Hallelujah, all I have is Christ Hallelujah, Jesus is my life

Now Lord I would be Yours alone and live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me
O Father use my ransomed life in any way You choose
And let my song forever be my only boast is You

Chorus (2x)

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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