

# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 15, 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 September 15, 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 95:1-3

Minister: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

All: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

# **How Firm a Foundation**

How firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord Is laid for your faith in His excellent word What more can He say than to you He hath said To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled

Fear not I am with thee O be not dismayed For I am thy God I will still give thee aid I'll strengthen thee help thee and cause thee to stand Upheld by My righteous omnipotent hand

When through the deep waters He calls thee to go The rivers of grief shall not thee overflow For He will be with thee in trouble to bless And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie My grace all-sufficient shall be thy supply The flames shall not hurt thee I only design Thy dross to consume and thy gold to refine

The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose I will not I will not desert to its foes That soul though all hell should endeavor to shake I'll never no never no never forsake

#### **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

WLC Q&A 74 & 1 John 3:1

Minister: What is adoption?

All: Adoption is an act of the free grace of God, in and for his only Son Jesus Christ, whereby all those that are justified are received into the number of his children, have his name put upon them, the Spirit of his Son given to them, are under his fatherly care and dispensations, admitted to all the liberties and privileges of the sons of God, made heirs of all the promises, and fellow-heirs with Christ in glory.

All: See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

#### He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail Christ will hold me fast When the tempter would prevail He will hold me fast I could never keep my hold Through life's fearful path For my love is often cold He must hold me fast

#### Chorus

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast

> Those He saves are His delight Christ will hold me fast Precious in His holy sight He will hold me fast He'll not let my soul be lost His Promises shall last Bought by Him at such a cost He will hold me fast

> > Chorus

For my life He bled and died Christ will hold me fast Justice has been satisfied He will hold me fast Raised with Him to endless life He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight When He comes at last

Chorus 2x

#### **Call to Confession**

Luke 15:17–19

"But when [the younger son] came to himself, he said, "How many of my father's hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger!

I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son."

## **Confession of Sin**

Based on Psalm 51

Minister: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Be gracious to me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness, according to the greatness of Your compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You only, have I sinned, and done what is evil in Your sight, so that You are justified when You speak, and blameless when You judge. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me...Purify me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow...Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my iniquities. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me. Do not cast me away from Your presence, and do not take Your Holy Spirit from Me. Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and sustain me with a willing spirit...The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and a contrite heart, O God, You will not despise.

# **Silent Confession**

# Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

Luke 15:20, 22-24

"But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him... But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to celebrate."

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

# All: Thanks be to God!

#### Psalm 32

How blest are they whose trespass has freely been forgiv'n Whose sins are wholly covered before the sight of heav'n Blest they to whom the LORD God does not impute their sin Who have a guileless spirit, whose heart is true within

While I kept guilty silence, my strength was spent with grief Your hand was heavy on me; my soul found no relief But when I owned my trespass and did not hide my sin Then you forgave my guilt, LORD, restored my life within

So let the godly seek Thee in time when Thou art near No whelming floods shall reach them, nor cause their hearts to fear In Thee, O Lord, I hide me, Thou savest me from ill And songs of Thy salvation my heart with rapture thrill

"I graciously will teach thee the way that thou shalt go And with My eye upon thee My counsel make thee know But be ye not unruly or slow to understand Be not perverse, but willing to heed My wise command" But be ye not unruly or slow to understand Be not perverse, but willing to heed My wise command"

#### **Prayer of Intercession**

Dr. 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

## "Paul's Calling"

Galatians 1:11-24

#### I Will Glory In My Redeemer

I will glory in my Redeemer Whose priceless blood has ransomed me Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails And hung Him on that judgment tree I will glory in my Redeemer Who crushed the power of sin and death My only Savior before the holy Judge The Lamb Who is my righteousness The Lamb Who is my righteousness

I will glory in my Redeemer My life He bought my love He owns I have no longings for another I'm satisfied in Him alone I will glory in my Redeemer His faithfulness my standing place Though foes are mighty and rush up on me My feet are firm held by His grace My feet are firm held by His grace

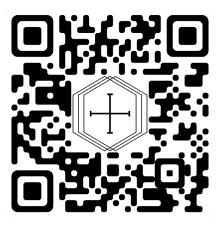
I will glory in my Redeemer Who carries me on eagle's wings He crowns my life with loving kindness His triumph song I'll ever sing I will glory in my Redeemer Who waits for me at gates of gold And when He calls me it will be paradise His face forever to behold His face forever to behold

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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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