



# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

March 29, 2024  
- Good Friday -

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*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

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## Call to Worship

John 1:29

“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!”

## Moment of Silent Reflection

### 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

### The First Lesson: Matthew 26:1-5, 14-16, 36-44

*Our first lesson takes us to the night of Jesus' betrayal by Judas and the moments just before in the garden of Gethsemane where Jesus in anguish is praying to the Father.*

### Psalm 22: 1-3, 7-8, 13-22, 27-29

My God, my God, O why have you forsaken me? O why  
Are you so far from saving me and from my groaning cry?  
By day and night my God, I call; your answer still delays  
And yet you are the Holy One who dwells in Israel's praise

All those who look at me will laugh and cast reproach at me  
Their mouths they open wide; they wag their heads in mockery  
“This man has trusted in the LORD; let God redemption send  
Now let his God deliver him, for he delights in him”

Like lion jaws they open wide, and roar to tear their prey  
My heart is wax, my bones unknit, my life is poured away  
My strength is dried like shattered clay; my tongue sticks to my jaws  
You bring me to the dust of death, and there you lay me down

For see how dogs encircle me! On every side there stands  
A brotherhood of cruelty; they pierce my feet and hands  
My bones are plain for me to count; men see me and they stare  
My clothes among them they divide, and gamble for their share

Now hurry, O my strength, to help! Be not far off, O LORD!  
But snatch my soul from raging dogs, and spare me from the sword  
From lion’s mouth and oxen horns O save me; hear my pray’r!  
To all the church, my brethren dear, your name I will declare

All ends of earth will turn to him, remembering the LORD  
All fam’lies of the earth shall come and worship and adore  
Dominion to the Lord belongs; he rules the nations well  
The proud of all the earth will bow before him where he dwells

### **The Second Lesson: John 18:1-11**

*Our second lesson is also from the Garden of Gethsemane. After praying to the Father, Jesus sees his betrayer coming and accepts the will of his Father and begins the road to the cross.*

### **Go to Dark Gethsemane**

Go to dark Gethsemane, Ye that feel the tempter’s power  
Your Redeemer’s conflict see, Watch with Him one bitter hour  
Turn not from His griefs away, Learn of Jesus Christ to pray  
Learn of Jesus Christ to pray, Learn of Jesus Christ to pray

See Him at the judgment hall, Beaten bound reviled arraigned  
O the wormwood and the gall, O the pangs His souls sustained  
Shun not suffering shame or loss, Learn of Christ to bear the cross  
Learn of Christ to bear the cross, Learn of Christ to bear the cross

Calvary's mournful mountain climb; there, adoring at His feet  
Mark that miracle of time, God's own sacrifice complete  
"It is finished!" hear Him cry; learn of Jesus Christ to die  
Learn of Jesus Christ to die, learn of Jesus Christ to die

Early hasten to the tomb where they laid His breathless clay  
All is solitude and gloom. Who has taken Him away?  
Christ is risen! He meets our eyes; Savior, teach us so to rise  
Savior, teach us so to rise, Savior, teach us so to rise

### **The Third Lesson: John 18:12-14, Matthew 26:59-68**

*In our third lesson we see Jesus taken before chief priests and the whole council to be tried and falsely accused of blasphemy.*

#### **Hallelujah, What A Savior**

Man of sorrows what a name, For the Son of God who came  
Ruined sinners to reclaim, Hallelujah what a Savior  
Bearing shame and scoffing rude, In my place condemned He stood  
Sealed my pardon with His blood, Hallelujah what a Savior

#### **Chorus**

Hallelujah what a Savior, Thou took my sin on Thee  
Hallelujah what a Savior, Thy righteousness to me

Guilty vile and helpless we, Spotless Lamb of God was He  
Full atonement can it be, Hallelujah what a Savior  
Lifted up was He to die, It is finished was His cry  
Now in heaven exalted high, Hallelujah what a Savior

#### *Chorus 2x*

When He comes our glorious King, All His ransomed home to bring  
Then anew this song we'll sing, Hallelujah what a Savior  
Hallelujah what a Savior

### **The Fourth Lesson: Luke 22:54-62**

*In our fourth lesson, the Gospel writer Luke tells us of how Peter denied Christ on the night of his trial. Earlier that night Jesus had prophesied that Peter would deny him, and Peter swore that even if it meant his own death he would never deny his Lord.*

### **O Come and Mourn With Me**

O come and mourn with me awhile, O come ye to the Savior's side  
Oh come together let us mourn, Jesus our Lord is crucified  
Seven times He spoke seven words of love  
And all three hours His silence cried  
For mercy on the souls of men, Jesus our Lord is crucified

### **Chorus**

O love of God O sin of man, In this dread act Your strength is tried  
And victory remains with love, Jesus our Lord is crucified

O break O break hard heart of mine, Thy weak self love and guilty pride  
His Pilate and His Judas were, Jesus our Lord is crucified  
A broken heart a fount of tears, Ask and they will not be denied  
A broken heart love's cradle is, Jesus our Lord is crucified

*Chorus 2x*

### **The Fifth Lesson: Matthew 27:1-26**

*Our fifth lesson tells us how the chief priests handed Jesus over to Pilate, the Roman Governor of Judea and how Judas, Jesus' betrayer regretted his sin and was driven to despair. Pilate offers the people the release of a single prisoner, Jesus or Barabbas a notorious murderer. To Pilate's surprise the people chose Barabbas and called for Jesus to be crucified.*

### **O Sacred Head, Now Wounded**

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down  
Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown  
O sacred Head, what glory, what bliss 'til now was thine!  
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call thee mine

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered was all for sinners' gain  
Mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain  
Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place  
Look on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace

What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest Friend  
For this, thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?  
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be  
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love to thee  
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## **The Sixth Lesson: Mark 15:16-32**

*In our sixth lesson, Jesus, the Son of God, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world is crucified.*

### **Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted**

Stricken, smitten, and afflicted, see him dying on the tree!  
'Tis the Christ by man rejected; yes, my soul, 'tis he, 'tis he!  
'Tis the long-expected Prophet, David's son, yet David's Lord  
By his Son God now has spoken: 'tis the true and faithful Word

Tell me, ye who hear him groaning, was there ever grief like his?  
Friends thro' fear his cause disowning, foes insulting his distress  
Many hands were raised to wound him, none would interpose to save  
But the deepest stroke that pierced him was the stroke that Justice gave

Ye who think of sin but lightly nor suppose the evil great  
Here may view its nature rightly, here its guilt may estimate  
Mark the sacrifice appointed, see who bears the awful load  
'Tis the Word, the Lord's Anointed, Son of Man and Son of God

Here we have a firm foundation, here the refuge of the lost  
Christ's the Rock of our salvation, his the name of which we boast  
Lamb of God, for sinners wounded, sacrifice to cancel guilt!  
None shall ever be confounded who on him their hope have built

## **The Seventh Lesson: Luke 23:32-43, John 19:23-27, Matthew 27:45-54, John 19:28-30, Luke 23:46-49**

*In our seventh lesson we read the seven last saying of Jesus from the cross as he dies, these sayings have come to be known as the "seven last words of Christ".*

### **When I Survey the Wondrous Cross**

When I survey the wondrous cross, On which the Prince of glory died  
My richest gain I count but loss, And pour contempt on all my pride

Forbid it Lord that I should boast, Save in the death of Christ my God  
All the vain things that charm me most, I sacrifice them to His blood

See from His head His hands His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down  
Did ever such love and sorrow meet, Or thorns compose so rich a crown

Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small  
Love so amazing so divine, Demands my soul my life my all

**Homily**

Rev. Nolan Williamson

**"The Suffering Servant"**

1 Peter 2:21-25

**The Eighth Lesson: John 19:31-42**

*Our eighth and final lesson tells us of Christ's burial. After Jesus' death on the cross his disciples took and prepared the body of our Lord and laid it in a sealed tomb.*

**Nothing But the Blood**

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus  
What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus

For my pardon, this I see, nothing but the blood of Jesus  
For my cleansing, this my plea, nothing but the blood of Jesus

**Chorus**

Oh! Precious is the flow that makes me white as snow  
No other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus

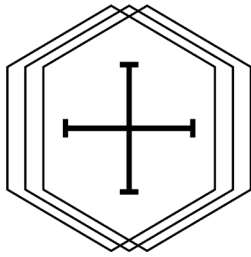
Nothing can for sin atone, nothing but the blood of Jesus  
Naught of good that I have done, nothing but the blood of Jesus

*Chorus*

This is all my hope and peace, nothing but the blood of Jesus  
This is all my righteousness, nothing but the blood of Jesus

*Chorus*

**Benediction**



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