

# Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill "Scattered Church" Order of Service

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**Imagine** — *(someone read)* (Psalm 33:45)

For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness. He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.

## I. Rediscover God's Glory

#### Call to Worship—Psalm 85:7-13 (read together)

Show us your steadfast love, O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Let me hear what God the Lord will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his saints; but let them not turn back to folly.

Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him, that glory may dwell in our land.

Steadfast love and faithfulness meet; righteousness and peace kiss each other.

Faithfulness springs up from the ground, and righteousness looks down from the sky.

Yes, the Lord will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

Righteousness will go before him and make his footsteps a way.

Take some time to offer up praise to our Ascended King

#### II. Rediscover God's Grace

Someone read: Our king and most merciful Father, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, deeper than all our sin. Forgive our careless attitudes toward your purposes, our refusal to relieve the suffering of others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our obsession with creating a life of constant pleasure, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, our neglect of your wise and gracious law. Help us to change our way of life so that we may desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Bow your heads, take the time to confess your sins

The Word assures us of God's forgiveness (someone read)

"... but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God" (Romans 5:8-9).

## III. Renewal in Christ, Our King's Word

OT Reading—Turn to Habakkuk 2:1-14 and someone read

NT Reading—Turn to Romans 1:13-18 and someone read

The Word of the Lord

**Everyone:** Thanks be to God.

Message: Romans 1:17

Why am I eager to preach to you, the church who is in Rome... Why? Because the righteousness of God is being revealed in the gospel and this gospel that saves everyone who believes increases, and I will trust in God's covenant faithfulness.

# VI. Renewal of Christ's Presence in Prayer

Share prayer requests and then take some time to pray for them

\*Remembering & the longing for gathering around the Table of the Lord

## V. Restored in Christ's Supremacy

#### Words of benediction (someone read the following text)

After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever!" (Revelation 7:9-12).

And all God's people shout out: Amen!