

Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill Our Gathered Order of Service

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Imagine— For you, *O God*, make me glad by your deeds, Lord; I sing for joy at what your hands have done. How great are your works, Lord, how profound your thoughts! (adapted from Psalm 92:4-5)

I. Rediscover God's Glory

Call to Worship — adapted from Psalm 92:1-5

It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to your name, O Most High;

We declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night.

For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work; at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

How great are your works, O LORD! Your thoughts are very deep!

Let us offer up praise to our Ascended King.

II. Rediscover God's Grace

O Lord, your mercy is abundant to us, but we are too often filled with pride and self-preservation, not humbled by your gracious gift to us; while your mercy pours out to us, we confess we have not been merciful in our thoughts and our deeds to our neighbor, nor to the least of all, nor to those not like us nor to our enemies. Please forgive us and change us, conform us to the image of your Only Son, who was sent to humbly die on a cross for us.

Bow your heads, take the time to offer your own confession of sins The Word assures us of God's forgiveness:

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. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life (Romans 5:8-10).

III. Renewal in Christ, Our King's Word

OT Reading — Isaiah 52:14-21 NT Reading — Romans 11:13-36

Reader: The Word of the Lord // Everyone: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: This Salvation in Christ Should Humble Me to the Uttermost that I am Only Left with Doxology

VI. Renewal of Christ's Presence

Sharing our prayer requests and bringing them before our Father

Our profession of our faith together

Church, How does Christ fill the office of a priest?

Christ fills the office of a priest in his once offering up of himself to God as a sacrifice, to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God; and in making constant intercession for us (WSC #25).

Affirming Christ's Presence as we share the Lord's Supper

V. Restored in Christ's Supremacy

Prayer and the Words of Benediction

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! "For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. (Romans 11:33-36).

And all God's people said: Amen!

OT Reading—Isaiah 52:14-21: Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands far away; for truth has stumbled in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter. Truth is lacking, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey. The LORD saw it, and it displeased him that there was no justice. He saw that there was no man, and wondered that there was no one to intercede; then his own arm brought him salvation, and his righteousness upheld him. He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of salvation on his head; he put on garments of vengeance for clothing, and wrapped himself in zeal as a cloak. According to their deeds, so will he repay, wrath to his adversaries, repayment to his enemies; to the coastlands he will render repayment. So they shall fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun; for he will come like a rushing stream, which the wind of the LORD drives. "And a Redeemer will come to Zion, to those in Jacob who turn from transgression," declares the LORD. "And as for me, this is my covenant with them," says the LORD: "My Spirit that is upon you, and my words that I have put in your mouth, shall not depart out of your mouth, or out of the mouth of your offspring, or out of the mouth of your children's offspring," says the LORD, "from this time forth and forevermore."

NT Reading—Romans 11:13-36: Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I magnify my ministry ¹⁴in order somehow to make my fellow Jews jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection means the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance mean but life from the dead? ¹⁶If the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, so is the whole lump, and if the root is holy, so are the branches. ¹⁷But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, although a wild olive shoot, were grafted in among the others and now share in the nourishing root of the olive tree, ¹⁸do not be arrogant toward the branches. If you are, remember it is not you who support the root, but the root that supports you. ¹⁹Then you will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." ²⁰That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand fast through faith. So do not become proud, but fear. ²¹For if God did not spare the natural branches, neither will he spare you. ²²Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness to you, provided you continue in his kindness. Otherwise you too will be cut off.

Romans 11:13-36 cont'n: ²³And even they, if they do not continue in their unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again. ²⁴For if you were cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree, and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these, the natural branches, be grafted back into their own olive tree. ²⁵Lest you be wise in your own sight, I do not want you to be unaware of this mystery, brothers: a partial hardening has come upon Israel, until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. ²⁶And in this way all Israel will be saved, as it is written, "The Deliverer will come from Zion, he will banish ungodliness from Jacob"; ²⁷"and this will be my covenant with them when I take away their sins." ²⁸As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers. ²⁹For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰For just as you were at one time disobedient to God but now have received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they too have now been disobedient in order that by the mercy shown to you they also may now receive mercy. ³²For God has consigned all to disobedience, that he may have mercy on all. ³³Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! 34"For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?" 35 "Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?" ³⁶For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.

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Announcements

- → Jun 16th In-person Ladies Bible Study & Prayer at 158 Davenport Ave @ 6:00pm. You can still join us on Zoom with the meeting ID 843 6693 1861 and the passcode is 661614
- → Jun 19th 14 Stevens Street Children's Read Aloud, 1:00pm-3:00pm. Our children to read a chapter book together and gain some reading comprehension skills.
- → Jun 19th Come join us for our Carlisle Street Sidewalk Breakfast (10am) & the Sidewalk Church Service (10:15). Come and welcome those who come to the breakfast and join them at the sidewalk church service.
- → Jun 20th Please join us again next Sunday for our service of worship, instruction, and fellowship @ 10am (at 158 Davenport Ave).
- **→** Jun 25th First Friday Movie Night of the Season! Come a little before dusk.