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Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill

Our Gathered Order of Service

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Imagine — Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come (2 Corinthians 5:17).

I. Rediscover God's Glory

Call to Worship — Psalm 136:1-3, 26

*Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good,
for his steadfast love endures forever.*

Give thanks to the God of gods,

For his steadfast love endures forever.

Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

For his steadfast love endures forever;

Give thanks to the God of heaven,

For his steadfast love endures forever.

Let us offer up praise to our Ascended King.

II. Rediscover God's Grace

O, Lord, our Creator and Redeemer, we are humbled by Your presence and the love you have shown in Christ to us, making all things new through the death and resurrection of Your Son, yet, still, we act in the old ways, minimizing sin and ignoring the weightier matters of justice, fairness, kindness, and habits we are accustomed to but divide, hurt, and minimize the humanity of others. Forgive us for clinging to the old ways and pardon us for not grasping and behaving in the newness of life, which has come through Your Son, that has, not only made all things new, but also has made us new. Forgive us. Cleanse us. Make us new by the power that comes from the cross and the Spirit through Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Bow your heads, take the time to offer your own confession of sins

The Word assures us of God's forgiveness

He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea (Micah 7:19).

III. Renewal in Christ, Our King's Word

OT Reading — Psalm 19:1-14

NT Reading — Romans 6:12-14

The Word of the Lord

Everyone: Thanks be to God.

Sermon: The Old Dominion or the New: Which Rules Our Church (Romans 6:12-14)

VI. Renewal of Christ's Presence

Sharing our prayer requests and bringing them before our Father

Prayers for our children

Our profession of our faith together

Church, what is sanctification? (WSC Q# 35)

Sanctification is the work of God's free grace by which we are renewed in the image of God and are enabled more and more to die to sin and live to righteousness.

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

V. Restored in Christ's Supremacy

A Prayer and Words of benediction

May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God (Romans 15:5-7).

And all God's people shout out: Amen!

OT Readings—Psalm 19:1-14

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.
Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.
There is no speech, nor are there words,
whose voice is not heard.
Their voice goes out through all the earth,
and their words to the end of the world.
In them he has set a tent for the sun,
which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber,
and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.
Its rising is from the end of the heavens,
and its circuit to the end of them,
and there is nothing hidden from its heat.
The law of the Lord is perfect,
reviving the soul;
the testimony of the Lord is sure,
making wise the simple;
the precepts of the Lord are right,
rejoicing the heart;
the commandment of the Lord is pure,
enlightening the eyes;
the fear of the Lord is clean,
enduring forever;
the rules of the Lord are true,
and righteous altogether.
More to be desired are they than gold,
even much fine gold;
sweeter also than honey
and drippings of the honeycomb.
Moreover, by them is your servant warned;
in keeping them there is great reward.
Who can discern his errors?
Declare me innocent from hidden faults.
Keep back your servant also from presumptuous sins;
let them not have dominion over me!
Then I shall be blameless, and innocent of great transgression.
Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

NT Readings—Romans 6:12-14

Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, to make you obey its passions. Do not present your members to sin as instruments for unrighteousness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and your members to God as instruments for righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

Reader: The Word of the Lord

The people: Thanks be to God

Announcements

- ➔ **Oct 28th** — **In-person** Ladies Bible Study & Prayer @ 6:00pm. In-person Studies are the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of the month.
- ➔ **Oct 30th** — Continuing Maxine's Free Movie Night on Stevens Street. Starts an hour before dusk; movie starts at sunset.
- ➔ **Oct 31st** — Saturday Children's Read Out-loud at Maxine's on Steven's Street, 1:00pm–3:00pm. This is for our neighborhood children to listen to a book read aloud together. A great summer-time learning event.
- ➔ **Oct 31st** — Saturday Sidewalk Breakfasts & Sidewalk Church Service (122 Carlisle Street): you are invited to join us or maybe come and serve. Breakfast starts at 10am; church service starts at 10:20. Don't let the cold stop you from coming; it doesn't stop us from serving!
- ➔ **Nov 1st** — Come join us again for next Sunday's service of worship, instruction, and fellowship @ 10am (here at 158 Davenport Ave, New Haven).