



November 29, 2020

## Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill

### Our Gathered Order of Service

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**Imagine** — Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of man! For he satisfies the longing soul, and the hungry soul he fills with good things (Psalm 107:8-9).

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### *I. Rediscover God's Glory*

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**Call to Worship**—Psalm 95:1-6

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

*In his hand are the depths of the earth;  
the heights of the mountains are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it,  
and his hands formed the dry land.*

**Oh come, let us worship and bow down;  
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

*Let us offer up praise to our Ascended King.*

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### *II. Rediscover God's Grace*

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O, Lord, my Maker and Redeemer, I come to Your throne only through Your grace and mercy granted to me in Christ Jesus. Your love only magnifies my sin and the darkness of my heart and it is the same love that draws me back to the cross, my only place of rescue and forgiveness. You alone can cleanse me and make me new; You alone is my boast; and, now, help me to walk in newness of life. Through the Lord Jesus, my Maker and Redeemer Lord, I come.

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

***The Word assures us of God's forgiveness***

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God (Romans 5:1-2).

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

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**OT Reading** — Isaiah 51:1-8

**NT Reading** — Romans 1:18-22; 6:17; 14:6; 16:3-4

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

**Sermon:** Reversing the wrath: Restoring Thanksgiving

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### *VI. Renewal of Christ's Presence*

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**Sharing our prayer requests and bringing them before our Father**

**Prayers for our children**

**Our profession of our faith together**

*Church, what should we always do?*

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18).*

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

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### *V. Restored in Christ's Supremacy*

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***Prayer and the Words of Benediction***

And they sang a new song, saying,  
“Worthy are you to take the scroll  
and to open its seals,  
for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God  
from every tribe and language and people and nation,  
and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God,  
and they shall reign on the earth” (Revelation 5:9-10).

**And all God's people shout out: **Amen!****

### OT Reading—Isaiah 51:1-8

“Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness,  
you who seek the LORD:  
look to the rock from which you were hewn,  
and to the quarry from which you were dug.  
Look to Abraham your father  
and to Sarah who bore you;  
for he was but one when I called him,  
that I might bless him and multiply him.  
For the LORD comforts Zion;  
he comforts all her waste places  
and makes her wilderness like Eden,  
her desert like the garden of the LORD;  
joy and gladness will be found in her,  
thanksgiving and the voice of song.  
  
“Give attention to me, my people,  
and give ear to me, my nation;  
for a law will go out from me,  
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.  
My righteousness draws near,  
my salvation has gone out,  
and my arms will judge the peoples;  
the coastlands hope for me,  
and for my arm they wait.  
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,  
and look at the earth beneath;  
for the heavens vanish like smoke,  
the earth will wear out like a garment,  
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;  
but my salvation will be forever,  
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.  
  
“Listen to me, you who know righteousness,  
the people in whose heart is my law;  
fear not the reproach of man,  
nor be dismayed at their revilings.  
For the moth will eat them up like a garment,  
and the worm will eat them like wool,  
but my righteousness will be forever,  
and my salvation to all generations.”

### NT Readings

**Romans 1:18-22:** For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. *For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.* Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

**Romans 6:17:** But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed

**Romans 14:6:** The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God.

**Romans 16:3-4:** Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, who risked their necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks but all the churches of the Gentiles give thanks as well.

**Reader: The Word of the Lord // The people: Thanks be to God**

### Announcements

- ➔ **Dec 1<sup>st</sup>** — Bonfire Bible Study @ the Anderson's on Carlisle Street (time TBA)—*Learning to Follow Jesus a Little Deeper*
- ➔ **Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>** — **Zoom** Ladies Bible Study & Prayer @ 7:00pm. In-person Studies are the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays of the month.
- ➔ **Dec 5<sup>th</sup>** — Stevens Street Read Out-loud at Maxine's, 1:00pm–3:00pm. This is for neighborhood kids to listen to a book read aloud together.
- ➔ **Dec 5<sup>th</sup>** — Saturday Sidewalk Breakfasts & Sidewalk Church Service (122 Carlisle Street): come 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!
- ➔ **Dec 6<sup>th</sup>** — Come join us again for next Sunday's service of worship, instruction, and fellowship @ 10am (here at 158 Davenport Ave).
- ➔ **Dec 12<sup>th</sup>** — *CPC in The Hill Christmas Store, well, sort of . . . December 12 at Pastor Chip & Lisa's and at Maxine's*