

Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill Our Gathered Order of Service

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Imagine — Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand and marked off the heavens with a span, enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure and weighed the mountains in scales and the hills in a balance? Who has measured the Spirit of the LORD, or what man shows him his counsel? (Isaiah 40:12-13).

I. Rediscover God's Glory

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.

II. Rediscover God's Grace

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 are 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).

III. Renewal in Christ, Our King's Word

OT Reading — Zechariah 12:10-13:1

NT Reading — Romans 8:26-30

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

Sermon: Taking More Seriously Our Weakness, Making Our Prayers More Effectual to Ensure Our Endurance

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 do we believe?

We believe we have been justified by faith and have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through him we also have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God (adapted from Romans 5:1-2).

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

V. Restored in Christ's Supremacy

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—Zechariah 12:10-13:1

"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and pleas for mercy, so that, when they look on me, on him whom they have pierced, they shall mourn for him, as one mourns for an only child, and weep bitterly over him, as one weeps over a firstborn. On that day the mourning in Jerusalem will be as great as the mourning for Hadad-rimmon in the plain of Megiddo. The land shall mourn, each family by itself: the family of the house of David by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of the house of Levi by itself, and their wives by themselves; the family of the Shimeites by itself, and their wives by themselves; and all the families that are left, each by itself, and their wives by themselves.

"On that day there shall be a fountain opened for the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, to cleanse them from sin and uncleanness."

NT Reading—**Romans 8:26-30:** Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And

he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

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

Announcements

- → Jan 27th In-person Ladies Bible Study & Prayer @ 6:00pm. Zoom Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 843 6693 1861; Passcode: 661614
- → Jan 30th Maxine's Children's Read Aloud continues at 14 Steven's Street, 1:00pm-3:00pm. A time for our neighborhood children to listen to a book read aloud together.
- → Jan 30th Saturday Sidewalk Breakfast & Sidewalk Church Service (122 Carlisle Street) Breakfast starts at 10am; church service starts at 10:15. We do this no matter the weather. Come join us!
- → Jan 31st Come join us again for next Sunday's service of worship, instruction, and fellowship @ 10am (here at 158 Davenport Ave).
- → Feb 2nd Next Bonfire Bible Study @ the Anderson's out back of 122 Carlisle Street (at 6pm)— Portraits of Jesus from the Gospel of Luke: Learning to Follow Jesus a Little Deeper
- → Feb 7th Join us for a brief congregational meeting after morning service this morning.