

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

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Imagine — (someone read)

For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, "I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth" (Acts 13:47).

I. Rediscover God's Glory

Call to Worship—Adapted from Psalm 28:6-9 (read together)

Blessed be the Lord!

For he has heard the voice of my pleas for mercy.
The Lord is my strength and my shield;
in him my heart trusts, and I am helped;
my heart exults,
and with my song I give thanks to him.
The Lord is the strength of his people;
he is the saving refuge of his anointed.
Oh, save your people and bless your heritage!
Be their shepherd and carry them forever.

Take some time to offer up praise to our Ascended King

II. Rediscover God's Grace

Someone read: Lord, we welcome Your gracious invitation to come before you. You alone have made this possible through Your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. We come again to find your forgiveness, to be cleansed by your Word and the work of the cross. We cannot do life without Your grace and your continued willingness to forgive us, for we ever lean to do things in our own power and our selfishness is our hearts' desire. So now we need you to forgive and cleanse us from our sins.

Bow your heads, take the time to confess your sins

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

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits, who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's (Psalm 103-1-5).

III. Renewal in Christ, Our King's Word

OT Reading—Turn to Genesis 48:8-22 & 49:8-10 and someone read

NT Reading—Turn to Romans 1:8-15 and someone read

The Word of the Lord

Everyone: Thanks be to God.

Message: Romans 1:8-15

Paul's Longing Visit to Rome is a Model of Gospel Mission

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 said: Amen!