



Christ Presbyterian Church in The Hill

“Scattered Church” Order of Service

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Imagine — (someone read)

I will give to the Lord the thanks due to his righteousness,
and I will sing praise to the name of the Lord, the Most High. (Psalm 7:17).

I. Rediscover God's Glory

Call to Worship—Psalm 24:1-6 (read together)

*The earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof,
the world and those who dwell therein,
for he has founded it upon the seas
and established it upon the rivers.
Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord?
And who shall stand in his holy place?
He who has clean hands and a pure heart,
who does not lift up his soul to what is false
and does not swear deceitfully.
He will receive blessing from the Lord
and righteousness from the God of his salvation.
Such is the generation of those who seek him,
who seek the face of the God of Jacob.*

Take some time to offer up praise to our Ascended King

II. Rediscover God's Grace

Someone read: O Lord, now that I have entered your sacred space, my eyes are open and I can see that my every sense, my every affection, is a snare to me. I can scarcely open my eyes, but I envy those above me, or despise those below. I covet the honor and riches of the mighty. I am proud and unmerciful to the rags of others. I live always comparing myself to others. How soon do slanders and vain jests, and careless speech creep into my heart and too often out of my mouth. Lord Jesus, I have sinned and I stand accused. But I thank you that they will not stand against me, for all have been laid on Christ. Deliver me from every evil habit, every self-interest, everything that dims the brightness of your grace, everything that prevents me from taking delight in you.

Bow your heads, take the time to confess your sins

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

I am writing to you, little children, because your sins are forgiven for his name's sake (1 John 2:12).

III. Renewal in Christ, Our King's Word

OT Reading—Turn to Joel 2:23-32 and someone read

NT Reading—Turn to Romans 1:13-18 and someone read

The Word of the Lord

Everyone: Thanks be to God.

Message: Romans 1:16

*I am not ashamed to invite the most ungodly person to Church,
for it is the only space whereby there is the power to save the
ungodly . . . and I am among the most ungodly.*

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)

For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written, "Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles, and sing to your name." And again it is said, "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people." And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles, and let all the peoples extol him." And again Isaiah says, "The root of Jesse will come, even he who arises to rule the Gentiles; in him will the Gentiles hope." May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope. (Romans 15:8-13).

And all God's people said: Amen!