



**CHRIST**  
Presbyterian Church  
**BURKE**

**Lord's Day Worship**  
April 7, 2024

## WELCOME

*During Christian worship we cross the threshold  
of the secular to the sacred,  
from the common to the uncommon,  
from the profane to the holy.*

*Our contact with the holy is not merely an encounter  
with a different dimension of reality;  
it is the meeting with Absolute Reality.*

*Christianity is not about involvement with religious experience as a tangent.  
It involves a meeting with a holy God.<sup>1</sup>*

## GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude: *On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand*, words by Samuel Stennett (1787)  
set to music by Christopher Miner (1997)

## CALL TO WORSHIP: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:51–55

Minister: Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, <sup>52</sup>in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. <sup>53</sup>For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. <sup>54</sup>When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written:

Church: **"Death is swallowed up in victory.  
O death, where is your victory?  
O death, where is your sting?"**

## HYMN OF ADORATION

### The Earth and Its Riches

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1. <sup>1</sup>The earth and its rich - es a - bun - dant - ly stored,  
2. <sup>3</sup>O who shall the mount of the LORD God as - cend?  
3. <sup>5</sup>Yes, he from the LORD shall a bless - ing re - ceive;  
4. <sup>7</sup>O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them high!  
5. <sup>9</sup>O gates, lift your heads! An - cient doors, lift them high!

<sup>1</sup> R.C. Sproul, *The Holiness of God* (Peabody, Massachusetts: Hendrickson, 2010), 144, 146.

the world and its dwell - ers be - long to the LORD.  
 And who in the place of his ho - li - ness stand?  
 • the God of sal - va - tion shall righ - teous - ness give.  
 The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws nigh!  
 The great King of glo - ry to en - ter draws nigh!

<sup>2</sup>For he on the seas its foun - da - tions has laid,  
<sup>4</sup>The man of pure heart and of hands with - out stain,  
 • <sup>6</sup>Thus look - ing to him is a whole bless - ed race;  
<sup>8</sup>O who is the King that in glo - ry draws near?  
<sup>10</sup>This great King of glo - ry, O who can he be?

and firm on the wa - ters its pil - lars has stayed.  
 who swears not to i - dols, nor serves what is vain.  
 • all those who, like Ja - cob, are seek - ing your face.  
 The LORD, might - y LORD of the bat - tle, is here!  
 The LORD God of hosts, King of glo - ry is he!

*The Book of Psalms for Worship, 2009; alt.*

JOANNA (ST. DENIO) 11.11.11.  
 Traditional Welsh hymn melody

## THE PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

**All:** Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.  
 Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in heaven.  
 Give us this day our daily bread,  
 and forgive us our debts  
 as we forgive our debtors.  
 Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.  
 For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

# CONFESSION OF FAITH: WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM<sup>2</sup> AND HEIDELBERG CATECHISM<sup>3</sup> QUESTIONS 1

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

**Church: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.**

Minister: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

**Church: That I am not my own,  
but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—  
to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.  
He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood,  
and has delivered me from the tyranny of the devil.  
He also watches over me in such a way  
that not a hair can fall from my head  
without the will of my Father in heaven;  
in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.  
Because I belong to him,  
Christ, by his Holy Spirit,  
also assures me of eternal life  
and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready  
from now on to live for him.**

## READING OF THE LAW: EXODUS 20:1–20

Minister: And God spoke all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup>“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

**Church: “You shall have no other gods before me.**

Minister: “You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. <sup>5</sup>You shall not bow down to them or serve them, for I the LORD your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and the fourth generation of those who hate me, <sup>6</sup>but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments.

**Church: “You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain, for the LORD will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain.**

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<sup>2</sup> In 1643, the English Parliament convened an assembly at Westminster Abbey to advise them on how to reform the Church of England. The Assembly produced three documents: a Confession of Faith, Larger Catechism, and Shorter Catechism, which ultimately were not adopted by the Church of England but were adopted by the Church of Scotland and the Presbyterian churches in America as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Bible.

<sup>3</sup> The Heidelberg Catechism (1563), produced by the Reformed churches on the continent of Europe, was one of the earliest confessions of the Reformation. It is loved for how it warmly states the doctrines of the Bible.

Minister: "Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. <sup>9</sup> Six days you shall labor, and do all your work, <sup>10</sup> but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, you, or your son, or your daughter, your male servant, or your female servant, or your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates. <sup>11</sup> For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

**Church: "Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the LORD your God is giving you.**

Minister: "You shall not murder.

**Church: "You shall not commit adultery.**

Minister: "You shall not steal.

**Church: "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.**

Minister: "You shall not covet your neighbor's house; you shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's."

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION<sup>4</sup>**

**All: Almighty God and heavenly Father,  
we confess that from our childhood until this very hour  
we have sinned against your commandments  
by evil thoughts, words, and works, which we cannot count,  
and most of all by vast unbelief.  
Therefore, we are not worthy to be called your children,  
nor lift our eyes up to heaven.  
O God and Father, in your mercy and for the sake of your glory,  
we ask you to receive us into your grace  
by the forgiveness of our sins in Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Adapted from John Oecolampadius (1482–1531) <sup>5</sup>

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<sup>4</sup> In our prayer of confession, we are honest with God, with ourselves, and with each other about who God is and who we are, confessing to Him that He is holy, righteous, just, and loving; and that we are not; yet, we are trusting in His mercy and grace available in Jesus Christ. We then have the joy of hearing God's Word say that He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins when we confess (1 John 1:9). And we have the joy of responding in song.

<sup>5</sup> Jonathan Gibson, *Be Thou My Vision: A Liturgy for Daily Worship* (Wheaton, Crossway: 2021).

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON: ROMANS 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

## HYMN OF CONFESSION

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### O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!

1. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Vast, un - mea - sured,  
2. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Spread his praise from  
3. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus! Love of ev - 'ry

bound - less, free, roll - ing as a might - y o - cean in its  
shore to shore; how he lov - eth, ev - er lov - eth, chang - eth  
love the best: 'tis an o - cean vast of bless - ing, 'tis a

full - ness o - ver me. Un - der - neath me, all a - round me,  
nev - er, nev - er - more; how he watch - es o'er his loved ones,  
ha - ven sweet of rest. O the deep, deep love of Je - sus!

is the cur - rent of thy love; lead - ing on - ward,  
died to call them all his own; how for them he  
'Tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me; and it lifts me

lead - ing home - ward, to thy glo - rious rest a - bove.  
in - ter - ced - eth, watch - eth o'er them from the throne.  
up to glo - ry, for it lifts me up to thee.

Samuel Trevor Francis, 1834–1925

EBENEZER (TON-Y-BOTEL) 8.7.8.7.D.  
Thomas John Williams, 1890

## GREET ONE ANOTHER

*As the Apostle Paul encouraged churches to "Greet one another" (Romans 16:16, 1 Corinthians 16:20, 2 Corinthians 13:12, 1 Thessalonians 5:26), please greet those around you, and please introduce yourself to anyone you do not know.*

## PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

*Christ intercedes for His church in prayer (John 17; Luke 23:34; Hebrews 7:25), and He gives His church the ministry of praying "with each other for each other" as well praying for the community in which our church is placed (1 Timothy 2:1–4). We also use this time to pray for the advancement of God's kingdom in the world (Matthew 6:10).*

## NEW TESTAMENT READING: LUKE 6:1–11

On a Sabbath, while he was going through the grainfields, his disciples plucked and ate some heads of grain, rubbing them in their hands. <sup>2</sup> But some of the Pharisees said, "Why are you doing what is not lawful to do on the Sabbath?" <sup>3</sup> And Jesus answered them, "Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him: <sup>4</sup> how he entered the house of God and took and ate the bread of the Presence, which is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those with him?" <sup>5</sup> And he said to them, "The Son of Man is lord of the Sabbath."

<sup>6</sup> On another Sabbath, he entered the synagogue and was teaching, and a man was there whose right hand was withered. <sup>7</sup> And the scribes and the Pharisees watched him, to see whether he would heal on the Sabbath, so that they might find a reason to accuse him. <sup>8</sup> But he knew their thoughts, and he said to the man with the withered hand, "Come and stand here." And he rose and stood there. <sup>9</sup> And Jesus said to them, "I ask you, is it lawful on the Sabbath to do good or to do harm, to save life or to destroy it?" <sup>10</sup> And after looking around at them all he said to him, "Stretch out your hand." And he did so, and his hand was restored. <sup>11</sup> But they were filled with fury and discussed with one another what they might do to Jesus.

## PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

### *Sabbath: Burden? Relic? or Blessing?*

Robert D. Hasler, Pastoral Intern

## HYMN OF RESPONSE

### Our God Will Go Before Us

**Chords:** C, G/B, C, C/E, F, C, Am<sup>7</sup>, F, G, C, G, C/E, F, G, Am, Fma<sup>7</sup>, G, 1. C<sup>sus</sup>, C, 2.3. C<sup>sus</sup>, C, Refrain G, G<sup>7</sup>/B, F/C, C, G, G/B.

**Lyrics:**

1. Our God will go be - fore us and guide us by His pre - sence. What  
 2. Through un - known paths, through sha - dows, our hearts fear not to - mor - row. For  
 3. Though e - vil forms a - gainst us, all hea - ven will de - fend us. The  
 4. Now send us with your pre - sence and lead us on to hea - ven, where

con - fi - dence this pro - mise is: we will ne - ver walk a - lone. 2. Through  
 ev - 'ry step, His faith - ful - ness is the truth that lights our  
 gates of hell shall not pre - vail, for the bat - tle is the  
 songs of sor - row strain no more and our ev - 'ry breath is

2.3. C<sup>sus</sup> C **Refrain** G Our God will go be - fore us; the Lord of hosts is  
 way. Our God be - fore us; the Lord is  
 Lord's. praise



F with us. Am G F G Am Fma7 G  
 with us. O, praise the One who leads us on for His grace will bring us  
 home. 3. Though home. 4. Now

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation: *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* by Stuart Townend (1995)

*How deep the Father's love for us  
 How vast beyond all measure  
 That He should give His only Son  
 To make a wretch His treasure  
 How great the pain of searing loss  
 The Father turns His face away  
 As wounds which mar the Chosen One  
 Bring many sons to glory*

*Behold the Man upon a cross  
 My sin upon His shoulders  
 Ashamed I hear my mocking voice  
 Call out among the scoffers  
 It was my sin that held Him there  
 Until it was accomplished  
 His dying breath has brought me life  
 I know that it is finished.*

*I will not boast in anything  
 No gifts no pow'r no wisdom  
 But I will boast in Jesus Christ  
 His death and resurrection  
 Why should I gain from His reward  
 I cannot give an answer  
 But this I know with all my heart  
 His wounds have paid my ransom.*

## **Sermon Outline**

*Sabbath: Burden? Relic? or Blessing?*

Luke 6:1–11

I. Sabbath as Burden?

II. Sabbath as Relic?

III. Sabbath as Blessing

## PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

*During our prayer of thanksgiving, we express our thankfulness for what the Lord has provided, and we ask him to use our tithes and offerings to advance his kingdom and provide for those in need. Our church has three opportunities to give: (1) over the internet, (2) the collection box on the back table, or (3) by mail. Please see the announcements page for details.*

## HYMN OF THANKSGIVING

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### Doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Thomas Ken, 1674

OLD HUNDREDTH L.M.  
Louis Bourgeois, 1551

## BENEDICTION: EPHESIANS 3:20–21

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us,<sup>21</sup> to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Leadership.** Christ Presbyterian is served by the following leaders:

- Teaching Elder: Porter Harlow
- Ruling Elders: Scott Hatch, Kevin Horrigan, David Hudak, and Philip Lee
- Deacons: Michael Hornbuckle, David Och, Wade Woo
- Women's Ministry Leadership Team: Bethany Fernandez, Kristy Hatch, and Lee Ann Hudak
- Pastoral Intern: Robert Hasler

**Giving.** You may support the work of the Lord by giving in the following ways.

- **Internet.** Go to <https://cpcburl.org/support> or you may scan this QR Code.
- **Offering Box.** You may place your offering in the wooden box on the back table. Offering boxes were used in Old Testament synagogues (Luke 21:1–4). The ancient church continued to use them. Most churches eliminated them when they made the collection part of the worship service. During the Reformation, some churches returned to the practice. With the increasing use of electronic giving, many churches are returning to the Biblical precedent of offering boxes.



## Recurring Events

- **Sunday School** meets after worship. Children 0-3 meet in the nursery. Pre-K to 5th graders meet in the pod outside the nursery before breaking into their classes. 6th to 12th meets in the band room. Adult Sunday School meets in the cafeteria.
- **Small Groups**
  - Wednesday Small Group meets weekly at 7:30 pm in the Hudak home.
  - Friday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Fridays at 6:00 pm in a rotating home.
  - Sunday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Sundays at 4:00 pm in a rotating home.
- **Church Fellowship Meals** on the first Sunday of the month after worship.
- **Men's Breakfast** meets on the second Saturday of each month.
- **Women's Fellowship.** The Women's Ministry meets on the third Saturday of each month.

**Missions We Support.** Please pray for the missions we support.

- **Church Planting in DC Area.** [One Voice Fellowship](#), pastored by Chris Sicks, is a multilingual church on mission to reach ethnic and religious minorities in Falls Church.
- **Church Planting in Dearborn, Michigan.** Jerry Riendeau is preparing to plant in Dearborn, Michigan, home to the largest Arabic speaking population outside the Middle East.
- **Church Planting in England.** [Oxford Presbyterian Church](#) is a church being planted by in Oxford, England, by [Andy Young](#).
- **Church Planting in Japan.** [Jason & Ai Kueh](#) are PCA missionaries planting in Shin-Urayasu, a Tokyo suburb. Jason is also ordained in the Presbyterian Church in Japan.
- **Church Planting in East Asia.** We support a PCA missionary who is training pastors in East Asia as part of a church planting movement underway there.
- **Reformed University Fellowship-International at GMU.** Pastor [Matthew DeLong](#) and staff member [Janelle Grove](#) are on mission to reach international students at GMU.

## Mercy Ministries We Support

- **The Lamb Center** is a [daytime homeless shelter](#) sharing the love of Christ in Fairfax.
- **Assist Pregnancy Center.** [Assist](#) has a mission "to promote life through Christ to those vulnerable to abortion."

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