

CHRIST
Presbyterian Church

BURKE

Lord's Day Worship
February 11, 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.¹*

GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Prelude: *Fairest Lord Jesus*, Anonymous (1677)

*Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor,
thou, my soul's glory, joy, and crown.*

*Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations!
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine.*

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 122:1–2

Leader: I was glad when they said to me,
“Let us go to the house of the Lord!”

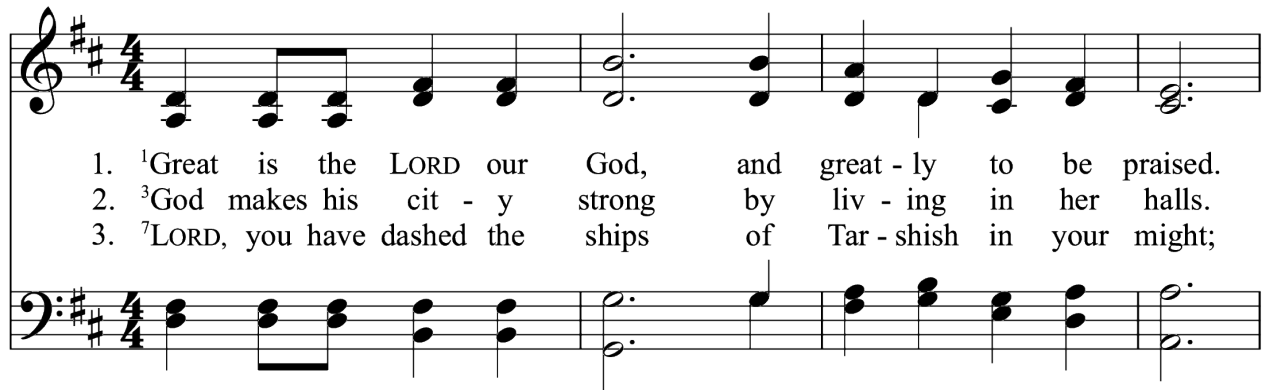
Church: **Our feet have been standing within your gates, O Jerusalem!**

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

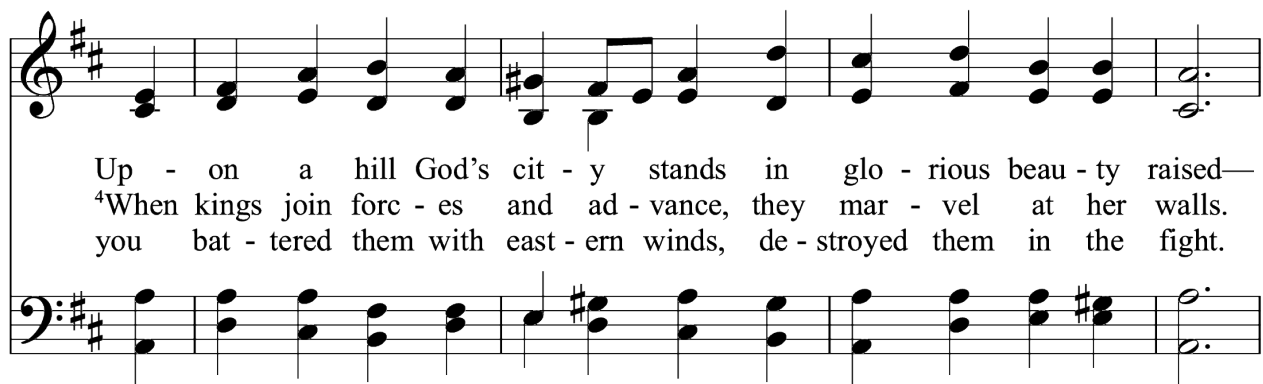
HYMN OF ADORATION

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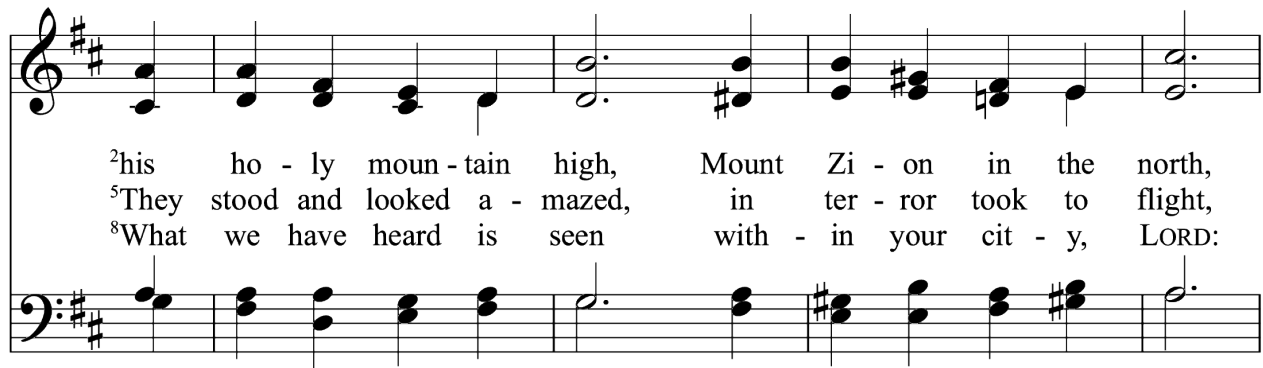
Great Is the LORD Our God



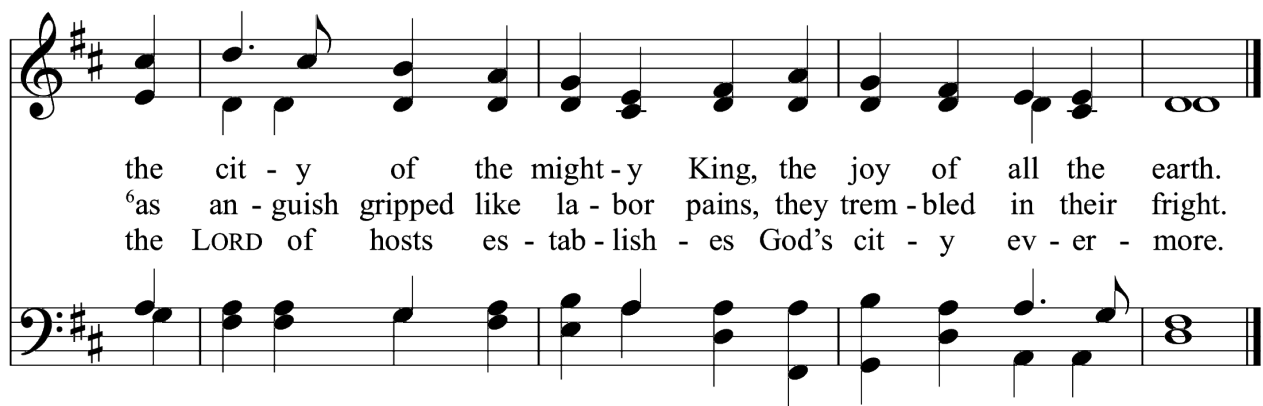
1. ¹Great is the LORD our God, and great - ly to be praised.
2. ³God makes his cit - y strong by liv - ing in her halls.
3. ⁷LORD, you have dashed the ships of Tar - shish in your might;



Up - on a hill God's cit - y stands in glo - rious beau - ty raised—
⁴When kings join forc - es and ad - vance, they mar - vel at her walls.
you bat - tered them with east - ern winds, de - stroyed them in the fight.



²his ho - ly moun - tain high, Mount Zi - on in the north,
⁵They stood and looked a - mazed, in ter - ror took to flight,
⁸What we have heard is seen with - in your cit - y, LORD:



the cit - y of the might - y King, the joy of all the earth.
⁶as an - guish gripped like la - bor pains, they trem - bled in their fright.
the LORD of hosts es - tab - lish - es God's cit - y ev - er - more.

4. ⁹With - in your tem - ple, LORD, in that most ho - ly place,
 5. ¹¹Let Zi - on now re - joice and all her daugh - ters sing;
 6. ¹³Ob - serve her pal - ac - es, mark her de - fens - es well,

we on your lov - ing - kind - ness dwell, the won - ders of your grace.
 let them with thank - ful - ness pro - claim the judg - ments of their King.
 that to the chil - dren af - ter you, her glo - ries you may tell.

¹⁰Your peo - ple sing your praise wher - e'er your name is known;
¹²Mount Zi - on's walls be - hold, a - bout her ram - parts go,
¹⁴For God, as our own God, for - e - ver will a - bide,

by ev - 'ry deed your hand has done your righ - teous - ness is shown.
 and num - ber all the loft - y tow'rs that guard her from the foe.
 and till life's jour - ney close in death will be our faith - ful guide.

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 George J. Elvey, 1868

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 CATECHISM² AND HEIDELBERG CATECHISM³ 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.

² 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.

³ 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.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: 1 KINGS 17

PRAYER OF CONFESSION⁴

**All: Almighty and most merciful God:
we acknowledge and confess
that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed;
that we have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind and strength;
and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We beseech You, O God,
to forgive what we have been,
to help us to amend what we are,
and to direct what we shall be;
so that we may walk in the way of Your commandments,
and do those things which are pleasing in Your sight,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Adapted from the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (1946)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: MICAH 7:18–19

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity
and passing over transgression
for the remnant of his inheritance?
He does not retain his anger forever,
because he delights in steadfast love.
¹⁹ He will again have compassion on us;
he will tread our iniquities underfoot.
You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

⁴ 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.

HYMN OF CONFESSION

What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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1. What a friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?
3. Are we weak and heav - y - la - den, cum - bered with a load of care?

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!
We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: take it to the Lord in prayer!
Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge— take it to the Lord in prayer!

O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,
Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?
Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.
Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness— take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

The musical score is written for a four-part choir (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in 4/4 time, with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line. The lyrics are printed below the vocal line of each system. The first system contains three verses. The second system contains three lines of text. The third system contains three lines of text. The fourth system contains three lines of text. The score ends with a double bar line.

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 4:14–30

And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and a report about him went out through all the surrounding country. ¹⁵ And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.

¹⁶ And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up. And as was his custom, he went to the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and he stood up to read. ¹⁷ And the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written,

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ And he rolled up the scroll and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. ²¹ And he began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²² And all spoke well of him and marveled at the gracious words that were coming from his mouth. And they said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³ And he said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, "'Physician, heal yourself.'" What we have heard you did at Capernaum, do here in your hometown as well." ²⁴ And he said, "Truly, I say to you, no prophet is acceptable in his hometown. ²⁵ But in truth, I tell you, there were many widows in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heavens were shut up three years and six months, and a great famine came over all the land, ²⁶ and Elijah was sent to none of them but only to Zarephath, in the land of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. ²⁷ And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸ When they heard these things, all in the synagogue were filled with wrath. ²⁹ And they rose up and drove him out of the town and brought him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they could throw him down the cliff. ³⁰ But passing through their midst, he went away.

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

Faith or Rejection?

J. Porter Harlow
Pastor, Christ Presbyterian Church

HYMN OF RESPONSE

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

Real Key



1. O Love that will not let me go, I
2. O Light that foll - ow'st all my way, I
3. O Joy that seek - est me through pain, I
4. O Cross that lift - est up my head, I

rest my wear - y soul in thee; I
yield my flick' - ring torch to thee; My
can - not close my heart to thee; I
dare not ask to fly from thee; I

give thee back the li - fe I owe, That
heart re - stores its bor - rowed ray, That
trace the rain - bow through the the, rain, And
lay in dust life's glo - ry dead, And

in thine o - cean depths its flow May
in thy sun - shine's blaze its day May
feel the prom - ise is not vain, That
from the ground there bless - oms red Life

ri - cher, full - er be.
brigh - ter, fair - er be.
morn - shall tear - less be.
that shall end - less be.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation: *Jerusalem*, words & music by J. Robinson, R. Thompson & T. Tranter (2014)

*See Him in Jerusalem
Walking where the crowds are
Once these streets had sung to Him
Now they cry for murder
Such a frail and lonely man
Holding up the heavy cross
See Him walking in Jerusalem
On the road to save us*

*See him there upon the hill
Hear the scorn and laughter
Silent as a lamb he waits
Praying to the Father
See the king who made the sun
And the moon and shining stars
Let the soldiers hold and nail him down
So that he could save them*

*See him there upon the cross
Now no longer breathing
Dust that formed the watching crowds
Takes the blood of Jesus
Feel the earth is shaking now
See the veil is split in two
And he stood before the wrath of God
Shielding sinners with his blood*

*See the empty tomb today
Death could not contain him
Once the servant of the world
Now in victory reigning
Lift your voices to the one
Who is seated on the throne
See him in the new Jerusalem
Praise the one who saved us*

Sermon Outline
Faith or Rejection?
Luke 3:14–21

I. Jesus' Practice (4:14–21)

II. Jesus' Preaching (4:17–22a, Isaiah 61:1–2, 42:7, 58:6)

- Good news for the poor
- Heals the broken hearted
- Brings liberty for captives and the oppressed
- Gives sight for the blind
- Proclaims the year of the Lord's Favor (The Year of Jubilee in Leviticus 25)

III. The Crowd's Reaction (4:22b–30)

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,²¹ 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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