

Lord's Day Worship

August 17, 2025

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: Speak O Lord, Keith Getty & Stuart Townend (2006)

Speak O Lord as we come to You
To receive the food of Your holy word
Take Your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness
That the light of Christ
might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak O Lord and fulfill in us
All Your purposes for Your glory

Teach us Lord full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity
Cause our faith to rise,
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

CALL TO WORSHIP: JOHN 6:36–40

Minister: Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst....

37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. 38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me. 39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 40 For this is the will of my Father

Church: that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life."

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

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling



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: APOSTLES' CREED²

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.³

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church,⁴ the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

² The Apostles' Creed is the oldest and simplest creed in the Christian church. Its earliest forms have been dated to around AD 200 when new converts were asked to profess it before joining the church. Christians have used it during worship for thousands of years to show our unity in the faith.

³ "He descended into hell" expresses Christ's "being buried, and continuing in the state of the dead, and under the power of death till the third day." See Westminster Larger Catechism 50.

⁴ The word "catholic" derives from the Greek word *katholikos*, which means universal. The catholic church is the universal church, which is invisible, consisting of all Christians in every church that have been, are, or shall be gathered under Christ the Head. *See* Westminster Confession of Faith 25:1. The Apostles' Creed predates the church's division into the Western Roman Catholic and the Eastern Orthodox churches or the Reformation of the western church that came much later.

OLD TESTAMENT READING: HOSEA 14

- ¹ Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God, for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.
- ² Take with you words and return to the LORD; say to him,

"Take away all iniquity; accept what is good, and we will pay with bulls the vows of our lips.

- ³ Assyria shall not save us; we will not ride on horses; and we will say no more, 'Our God,' to the work of our hands. In you the orphan finds mercy."
- ⁴I will heal their apostasy; I will love them freely, for my anger has turned from them.
- ⁵ I will be like the dew to Israel; he shall blossom like the lily; he shall take root like the trees of Lebanon;
- ⁶ his shoots shall spread out; his beauty shall be like the olive, and his fragrance like Lebanon.
- ⁷They shall return and dwell beneath my shadow; they shall flourish like the grain; they shall blossom like the vine; their fame shall be like the wine of Lebanon.
- 8 O Ephraim, what have I to do with idols?
 It is I who answer and look after you.
 I am like an evergreen cypress;
 from me comes your fruit.
- ⁹ Whoever is wise, let him understand these things; whoever is discerning, let him know them; for the ways of the LORD are right, and the upright walk in them, but transgressors stumble in them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION⁵

All: O merciful God, who is compassionate, long-suffering and full of pity, make me earnestly repent, and heartily lament, all of my misdoings; make the remembrance of them so burdensome and painful that I flee to you with a troubled spirit and a contrite heart.

Then, O merciful Lord,
comfort me and relieve me of my sorrow.
Give me knowledge of Your grace,
confidence in your mercy
and an assurance of your forgiveness,
during this life, and in the world to come. Amen.

Adapted from a prayer by Samuel Johnson (1709-1784)6

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: ROMANS 8:1-4

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. ² For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. ³ For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

⁵ In our prayer of confession, we are honest with God, honest with ourselves, and honest with each other about who God is and who we are, confessing that He is holy, righteous, just, and loving; and confessing that we are not; yet, we are trusting in His mercy and grace available in Jesus Christ to deliver us from sin and judgment. Then we have the joy of hearing God's Word say that He is faithful and just to forgive us of our sins when we confess them (1 John 1:9). Then we rejoice in song.

⁶ Jonathan Gibson, O Sacred Head, Now Wounded: A Liturgy for Daily Worship from Pascha to Pentecost (Wheaton, Crossway: 2024).

PSALM OF CONFESSION

O LORD, Our Lord

I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out. —Luke 19:40 **8A** Psalm 8



- 5. ⁵ Yet You created him to be Just less than one divine; You gave him honor as a crown, And made his glory shine.
- 6. ⁶ You made him ruler of the works Created by Your hand; You placed all things beneath his feet To be in his command:

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 19:1–10

He entered Jericho and was passing through. ² And behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus. He was a chief tax collector and was rich. ³ And he was seeking to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was small in stature. ⁴ So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was about to pass that way. ⁵ And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today." ⁶ So he hurried and came down and received him joyfully. ⁷ And when they saw it, they all grumbled, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." ⁸ And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." ⁹ And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. ¹⁰ For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost."

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

"to seek and save the lost"

Porter Harlow, Minister

HYMN OF RESPONSE

We Will Feast in the House of Zion



Words and music by Sandra McCracken and Joshua Moore (2015)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation: Just as I Am, without One Plea, by Charlotte Elliot (1836)

- 1. Just as I am, without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidd'st me come to thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- Just as I am, and waiting not to rid my soul of one dark blot, to thee, whose blood can cleanse each spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
- Just as I am, though tossed about with many a conflict, many a doubt, fightings and fears within, without, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 - 4. Just as I am, thou wilt receive, wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve; because thy promise I believe, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

Sermon Notes

"to seek and save the lost" Luke 19:1–10

I. Zacchaeus thinks he is seeking Jesus (v.1-4)

II. Zacchaeus finds out Jesus is seeking him (v.5)

III. Zacchaeus Responds (v.6-10)

- Accepts Jesus into His Home (v.6-7)
- Bears the Fruit of Repentance (v.8-9)
- Bears the Fruits of the Spirit (v.6)

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



2nd cent.; tr.

GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex) Irreg. Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

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 Elders: Porter Harlow, Robert Hasler
- Ruling Elders: Brett Bloom, Scott Hatch, Kevin Horrigan, David Hudak, and Philip Lee
- Deacons: Nathanael Achor, Gunnar Conrow, David Och, Christopher Robertson, Wade Woo, Chuck Virts
- Women's Ministry Leadership Team: Bethany Fernandez, Kristy Hatch, and Lee Ann Hudak

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

- Internet. Go to https://cpcburke.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 early 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, and with the increasing use of electronic giving, many churches are returning to the Biblical precedent of offering boxes.

Recurring Events

- First Sunday Fellowship Meals on the first Sunday of the month after worship.
- Sunday School. Sunday School is on Summer Vacation until Sept 14 when we will offer Sunday School after worship starting at 11:05 AM for children ages 0-3 in the nursery, Pre-K to K next to the nursery, 1st to 5th grades meet in the pods outside the nursery before breaking into their 2 classes, Middle and High School meet in the band room on the other side of the sanctuary wall, and the adults meet in sanctuary.
- Small Groups (Summer may affect schedule)
 - o Wednesday Small Group meets weekly at 7:30 pm in the Hudak home.
 - o Friday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Fridays at 6:00 pm in a rotating home.
 - o Sunday Small Group meets on 2d and 4th Sundays at 4:00 pm in a rotating home.
- Men's Breakfast meets on the second Saturday of each month.
- Women's Fellowship. The Women's Bible Study 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. <u>Jason & Ai Kueh</u> 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 <u>Matthew DeLong</u> and staff member <u>Janelle Grove</u> are on mission to reach international students at GMU.
- Reformed University Fellowship-International at University of Alabama, Birmingham. Our own Joanna will be serving as an intern for <u>RUF-I at UAB</u>.

Mercy Ministries We Support

- The Lamb Center is a daytime homeless shelter sharing the love of Christ in Fairfax.
- Assist Pregnancy Center. <u>Assist</u> has a mission "to promote life through Christ to those vulnerable to abortion."

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