



CHRIST

Presbyterian Church

BURKE

Lord's Day Worship

July 12, 2026

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: *Lord, with Glowing Heart, I'd Praise Thee*, words by Francis Scott Key (1817), set to *RIPLEY* by Lowell Mason (1839)

*Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise thee
for the bliss thy love bestows,
for the pard'ning grace that saves me,
and the peace that from it flows.
Help, O God, my weak endeavor;
this dull soul to rapture raise:
thou must light the flame, or never
can my love be warmed to praise.*

*Praise, my soul, the God that sought thee,
wretched wand'rer far astray;
found thee lost, and kindly brought thee
from the paths of death away.
Praise, with love's devoutest feeling,
him who saw thy guilt-born fear,
and, the light of hope revealing,
bade the bloodstained cross appear.*

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 40:1–3

Minister: I waited patiently for the LORD;
he inclined to me and heard my cry.
² He drew me up from the pit of destruction,
out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.
³ He put a new song in my mouth,
a song of praise to our God.

**Church: Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the LORD.**

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

PSALM OF ADORATION

PSALM 40:1-9

40A

I Waited Long upon the LORD

1. ¹I wait - ed long up - on the LORD; he stooped and heard my cry.
2. And man - y, see - ing me re - stored, will trust the LORD and fear.
3. ⁵O LORD our God, how man - y are the won - ders you have done!
4. ⁶In sac - ri - fice and of - fer - ing you take no great de - light.
5. ⁸“To do your will, O LORD my God, is sure - ly my de - light.

²He drew me from de - struc - tion's pit and from the bog - gy mire.
⁴How blest the man who makes the LORD his trust and ref - uge sure,
• How man - y are the gra - cious thoughts which you to us have shown!
You seek no sac - ri - fice for sin, no of - f'ring is re - quired.
Your law is deep with - in my heart and pre - cious in my sight.”

He set my feet up - on a rock, and stead-fast made my ways.
who turns not to the ar - ro - gant, to those who fol - low lies,
• LORD, no one can com - pare with you; I will your works pro - claim
You gave to me an o - pen ear, ⁷and then I said, “Be - hold,
⁹With - in your great as - sem - bly your de - liv - 'rance I've pro - claimed;

³He put with - in my mouth a new and joy - ful song of praise.
to those who turn a - way from truth, but on the LORD re - lies.
• and tell of all your won - drous deeds, whose num - ber none can name.
I come, O LORD, as in the book was writ - ten and fore - told.
you know, O LORD, in prais - ing you my lips are not re - strained.

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: THE 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: JEREMIAH 32:37–42

Behold, I will gather them from all the countries to which I drove them in my anger and my wrath and in great indignation. I will bring them back to this place, and I will make them dwell in safety.³⁸ And they shall be my people, and I will be their God.³⁹ I will give them one heart and one way, that they may fear me forever, for their own good and the good of their children after them.⁴⁰ I will make with them an everlasting covenant, that I will not turn away from doing good to them. And I will put the fear of me in their hearts, that they may not turn from me.⁴¹ I will rejoice in doing them good, and I will plant them in this land in faithfulness, with all my heart and all my soul.

⁴² “For thus says the LORD: Just as I have brought all this great disaster upon this people, so I will bring upon them all the good that I promise them.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION⁵

**All: Almighty, everlasting God and Father,
we acknowledge and confess
that we indeed were conceived and born in sin
and, therefore, inclined to all evil
and slow to all good;
that we unceasingly transgress your holy commandments,
and corrupt ourselves more and more.
But we are sorry for this and desire your grace and help.
Therefore, have mercy upon us, most gracious and merciful God and Father,
through your Son our Lord Jesus Christ.
Grant to us and increase in us your Holy Spirit,
so that we may recognize our sin and unrighteousness,
feel true contrition and grief for them,
die to them completely,
and please you wholly in a new, godly life. Amen.**

Martin Bucer (1491–1551)⁶

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 1 JOHN 1:8–9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.⁹ If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

⁵ 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 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). Then we have the joy of responding in song.

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

HYMN OF CONFESSION

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Speak, O Lord

Unison

1. Speak, O Lord, as we come to you to re - ceive the food of your
2. Teach us, Lord, full o - be - di - ence, ho - ly rev - er - ence, true hu -
3. Speak, O Lord, and re - new our minds; help us grasp the heights of your

Ho - ly Word. Take your truth, plant it deep in us; shape and
mil - i - ty. Test our thoughts and our at - ti - tudes in the
plans for us: truths un - changed from the dawn of time, that will

fash - ion us in your like - ness, that the light of Christ might be
ra - di - ance of your pu - ri - ty. Cause our faith to rise, cause our
ech - o down thro' e - ter - ni - ty. And by grace we'll stand on your

seen to - day in our acts of love and our deeds of faith. Speak, O Lord,
eyes to see your ma - jes - tic love and au - thor - i - ty. Words of pow'r
prom - is - es; and by faith we'll walk as you walk with us. Speak, O Lord,



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SPEAK O LORD 8.10.8.10.10.10.8.10.

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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: ACTS 10:1–43

At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what was known as the Italian Cohort,² a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God.³ About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God come in and say to him, “Cornelius.”⁴ And he stared at him in terror and said, “What is it, Lord?” And he said to him, “Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God.”⁵ And now send men to Joppa and bring one Simon who is called Peter.⁶ He is lodging with one Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea.”⁷ When the angel who spoke to him had departed, he called two of his servants and a devout soldier from among those who attended him,⁸ and having related everything to them, he sent them to Joppa.

⁹ The next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the housetop about the sixth hour to pray.¹⁰ And he became hungry and wanted something to eat, but while they were preparing it, he fell into a trance¹¹ and saw the heavens opened and something like a great sheet descending, being let down by its four corners upon the earth.¹² In it were all kinds of animals and reptiles and birds of the air.¹³ And there came a voice to him: “Rise, Peter; kill and eat.”¹⁴ But Peter said, “By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean.”¹⁵ And the voice came to him again a second time, “What God has made clean, do not call common.”¹⁶ This happened three times, and the thing was taken up at once to heaven.

¹⁷ Now while Peter was inwardly perplexed as to what the vision that he had seen might mean, behold, the men who were sent by Cornelius, having made inquiry for Simon’s house, stood at the gate¹⁸ and called out to ask whether Simon who was called Peter was lodging there.¹⁹ And while Peter was pondering the vision, the Spirit said to him, “Behold, three men are looking for you.”²⁰ Rise and go down and accompany them without hesitation, for I have sent them.”²¹ And Peter went down to the men and said, “I am the one you are looking for. What is the reason for your coming?”²² And they said, “Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, who is well spoken of by the whole Jewish nation, was directed by a holy angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear what you have to say.”²³ So he invited them in to be his guests.

The next day he rose and went away with them, and some of the brothers from Joppa accompanied him.²⁴ And on the following day they entered Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends.²⁵ When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and fell down at his feet and worshiped him.²⁶ But Peter lifted him up, saying, “Stand up; I too am a man.”²⁷ And as he talked with him, he went in and found many persons gathered.²⁸ And he said to them, “You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation, but God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean.”²⁹ So when I was sent for, I came without objection. I ask then why you sent for me.”

³⁰ And Cornelius said, “Four days ago, about this hour, I was praying in my house at the ninth hour, and behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing³¹ and said, ‘Cornelius, your prayer has been heard and your alms have been remembered before God.’³² Send therefore to Joppa and ask for Simon who is called Peter. He is lodging in the house of Simon, a tanner, by the sea.’³³ So I sent for you at once, and you have been kind enough to come. Now therefore we are all here in the presence of God to hear all that you have been commanded by the Lord.”

³⁴ So Peter opened his mouth and said: “Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, ³⁵ but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. ³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. ³⁹ And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, ⁴⁰ but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, ⁴¹ not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

PREACHING OF GOD’S WORD

Fear & Favor Part I: Seeking the God Who Comes to Us

J. Porter Harlow
Minister

Sermon Outline

I. The Centurion’s Fear and Devotion (v.1–2)

II. God’s Favor and Fellowship (v.3–34)

III. The Judge of the Living and the Dead (v.34–43)

HYMN OF RESPONSE

Come, Ye Sinners

Key of Fm

HYMNAL SCORE

Fm Ab Db Ab

1. Come, ye sin-ners, poor and need-y, weak and wound-ed, sick and sore;
2. Come, ye thirst-y, come and wel-come, God's free boun-ty glo-ri-fy;
3. Come, ye wea-ry, heav-y-la-den, lost and ru-ined by the fall;
4. Let not con-science make you lin-ger, nor of fit-ness fond-ly dream;

Ab Fm Eb Ab/C Fm Db Cm7 Fm

Je-sus read-y stands to save you, full of pit-y, love, and pow'r.
true be-lief and true re-pen-tance, ev-'ry grace that brings you nigh.
if you tar-ry till you're bet-ter, you will nev-er come at all.
all the fit-ness he re-quir-eth is to feel your need of him.

Fm Ab Db Ab

I will a-rise and go to Je-sus; he will em-brace me in his arms;

Ab Fm Eb Ab/C Fm Db Cm7 Fm

in the arms of my dear Sav-ior, oh, there are ten thou-sand charms.

Words: Joseph Hart, 1759, alt.; ref. Caleb Taylor, 1804
Music: Southern Harmony, 1835; harm. O. F. Pugh, 1905

RESTORATION
87 87 with refrain

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Meditation: *I Sought the Lord, and Afterward I Knew*, Anonymous, set to the tune
FINLANDIA by Jean Sibelius (1899)

*I sought the Lord, and afterward I knew
he moved my soul to seek him, seeking me;
it was not I that found, O Savior true;
no, I was found, was found of thee.
It was not I that found, O Savior true;
no, I was found, was found of thee.*

*Thou didst reach forth thy hand and mine enfold;
I walked and sank not on the storm-vexed sea;
'twas not so much that I on thee took hold,
as thou, dear Lord, on me, on me.
'Twas not so much that I on thee took hold,
as thou, dear Lord, on me, on me.*

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, 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: Nathanael Achor, Gunnar Conrow, David Och, 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://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 early church continued to use them.



Recurring Events (All Currently on Summer Vacation)

- **First Sunday Fellowship Meals** on the first Sunday of the month after worship.
- **Sunday School.** We offer Sunday School after worship starting at 11:05 AM for children ages 0-3 in the nursery through Middle and High School.
- **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.
- **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.
 - Ark Covenant Church, pastored by Zhongming Chen, reaching Mandarin speakers in Fairfax
- **Church Planting in Abilene, Texas.** Our former assistant pastor, Robert Hasler, is planting Christ the King Presbyterian 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 is 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 RUF-I at UAB.

Mercy Ministries We Support

- **The Lamb Center** is a daytime homeless shelter sharing the love of Christ in Fairfax.
- **Assist Pregnancy Center.** Assist promotes "life through Christ to those vulnerable to abortion."
- **Ecumenical Community Helping Others (ECHO):** Local food pantry.

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