

ANNOUNCEMENTS

College Lunch Today!

Join other college students after church today at Jacobsen's house for a delicious home-cooked meal and beautiful view of the city. For details talk to the Jacobsen's or Jaimeson Stockhaus, campus minister for UCSB RUF. Address: 1150 Crestline Drive.

Newcomers Dinner This Saturday - November 15th

Have you started coming to Christ Presbyterian Church recently? Come meet other new people in a relaxed setting with chili, corn bread, salad, and dessert served. The dinner will be held at the home of Frank and Adrienne Koroshec Saturday November, 15th from 5:30-7:30pm. 1922 Anacapa Street. If you are interested, please RSVP to Jack Rogan at christpres.sb@gmail.com.

Thanksgiving Prayer Service

In preparation for the celebration of Thanksgiving, we will be hosting a prayer service Tuesday November 25th from 7-8pm in the church conference room.

PREPARATION AND REFLECTION

All vocations are intended by God to manifest His love in the world.

—Thomas Merton

Eighty percent of success is showing up.

—Woody Allen

While God doesn't need our good works, our neighbor does.

—Martin Luther

It is not enough when one can say, “Oh I work, I have my trade, I set the pace.” This is not enough; for one must be concerned whether it is good and profitable to the community and if it is able to serve our neighbors.

—John Calvin

The work we are called to do is a God-ordained means where we, in very tangible ways, care for God's good world contribute to the needs of others, and foster the common good.

—Tom Nelson

Faithful presence in the world means that Christians are fully present and committed in either spheres of influence, whatever they may be: their families, neighborhoods, voluntary activities and places of work.

—James Davison Hunter

The righteous...are willing to disadvantage themselves to advantage the community; the wicked are willing to disadvantage the community to advantage themselves.

—Bruce Waltke

“Thus says the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat their produce. Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the LORD on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare.

—Jeremiah 29:4–7

Service of Worship
November 9, 2014
Twenty-second Sunday After Pentecost

A word about our worship: We believe that in worship we actually meet with God. Therefore, our services are interactive and dynamic, retelling the gospel through a five-act drama: Approach, Renewal, (re)Commitment, Communion, and Commissioning. In this drama, we all have a part. In each act, we are placed in dialogue with God himself: He speaks and we respond. In our liturgy (service of worship), you will find your lines in the worship guide designated in **bold**.

APPROACH
God invites us to worship

CALL TO WORSHIP: *Based on Psalm 113:1–3*

Come and praise the Lord!
In every town and every city,
In every language and by every race,
Lift up your voices together and worship the Lord!

We will bless the name of the Lord now and forever.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION: *We ask God to meet us.*

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

Jonas Myrin | Matt Redman

**The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning,
It's time to sing your song again.
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me;
Let me be singing when the evening comes.**

**Chorus:
Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul.
Worship his holy name,
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I worship your holy name.**

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You're rich in love and you're slow to anger;
Your name is great and your heart is kind.
For all your goodness I will keep on singing;
Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find.

Chorus:

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
O my soul.
Worship his holy name,
Sing like never before,
O my soul,
I worship your holy name.

And on that day when my strength is failing;
The end draws near and my time has come;
Still my soul will sing your praise unending,
Ten thousand years and then forevermore.

Chorus

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Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Words: Christian Henry Bateman | Music: Traditional Spanish melody "Madrid"

Come, Christians, join to sing. Alleluia! Amen!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!
Let all, with heart and voice, Before His throne rejoice;
Praise is His gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!
He is our Guide and Friend; To us He'll condescend;
His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!
On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

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Psalm 23

Words & Music: Stuart Townend

The Lord's my Shepherd I'll not want;
He makes me lie in pastures green.
He leads me by the still, still waters;
His goodness restores my soul.

Chorus: (Women echo)

(Men):

And I will trust in you alone,
And I will trust in you alone.
For your endless mercy follows me;
Your goodness will lead me home.

(Women):

I will trust, I will trust in you,
I will trust, I will trust in you.
Endless mercy follows me;
Your goodness will lead me home.

He guides my ways in righteousness,
And he anoints my head with oil,
And my cup it overflows with joy,
I feast on his pure delights.

Chorus

And though I walk the darkest path,
I will not fear the evil one.
For you are with me
And your rod and staff
Are the comfort I need to know.

Chorus

HEARING GOD'S WORD: GENESIS 39:1-6a

³⁹Now Joseph had been brought down to Egypt, and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh, the captain of the guard, an Egyptian, had bought him from the Ishmaelites who had brought him down there. ²The Lord was with Joseph, and he became a successful man, and he was in the house of his Egyptian master. ³His master saw that the Lord was with him and that the Lord caused all that he did to succeed in his hands. ⁴So Joseph found favor in his sight and attended him, and he made him overseer of his house and put him in charge of all that he had. ⁵From the time that he made him overseer in his house and over all that he had, the Lord blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; the blessing of the Lord was on all that he had, in house and field. ⁶So he left all that he had in Joseph's charge, and because of him he had no concern about anything but the food he ate.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

HEARING GOD'S WORD: MATTHEW 25:14–30

This is the word of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

COMMITMENT

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALL OF LIFE TESTIMONY: FRANK AND ADRIENNE KOROSHEC

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: *We commit our concerns.*

I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people (1 Timothy 2:1).

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever.
Amen.

GIVING: *We commit our resources.*

- ▶ As Christians, we give because Christ gave, and because he continues to give us freely all that he is by his Spirit. (2 Cor 8:9) If you are a visitor, please do not feel obliged to give.
- ▶ Please use the perforated form on the back of the bulletin to request prayer or information about Christ Presbyterian Church. You may place the form in the offering bag.

One Day

Wilbur Chapman | Michael Devereaux

Children from age three through fifth grade are dismissed for a time of teaching located up the ramp on the right side of the sanctuary.

**One day when heaven was filled with his praises,
One day when sin was as dark as could be,
Jesus came forth to be born of a virgin;
Dwelt among us, my Example is he!**

**One day they led him up Calvary's mountain;
One day they nailed him to die on the tree;
Suffering anguish, despised and rejected:
Bearing our sins, my Redeemer is he!**

Chorus:

**Living, he loved me; dying, he saved me;
Buried, he carried my sins far away;
Rising, he justified freely forever;
One day he's coming – O glorious day! (x2)**

**One day they left him alone in the garden;
One day he rested from suffering free;
Angels came down and stood over his tomb;
Hope of the hopeless, my Savior is he!**

**One day the grave could conceal him no longer;
One day the stone rolled away from the door;
Then he arose, over death he had conquered;
Now is ascended, my Lord evermore.**

Chorus

**One day the trumpet will sound for his coming;
One day the skies with his glories will shine;
Wonderful day, my beloved one's bringing;
Glorious Savior, this Jesus is mine!**

Chorus

THE PREACHED WORD: “WORKING FOR THE COMMON GOOD”**PROVERBS 11:10–11**

¹⁰ When it goes well with the righteous, the city rejoices,
and when the wicked perish there are shouts of gladness.

¹¹ By the blessing of the upright a city is exalted,
but by the mouth of the wicked it is overthrown.

MATTHEW 25:14-30

¹⁴ “For it—that is, the kingdom of heaven— will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. ¹⁵ To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. ¹⁶ He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. ¹⁷ So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. ¹⁸ But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. ¹⁹ Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. ²⁰ And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.’ ²¹ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ ²² And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, ‘Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.’ ²³ His master said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.’ ²⁴ He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, ‘Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, ²⁵ so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.’ ²⁶ But his master answered him, ‘You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I scattered no seed? ²⁷ Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. ²⁸ So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. ²⁹ For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. ³⁰ And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

Sermon notes:

RENEWAL

CONFESSION OF SIN: *We admit our faults*

Almighty Father,
in your kindness, you have given us vocational resources to steward for the common good of humanity. You make us stewards of your gifts so that our cities, and the people within them, might flourish. And yet we confess how poorly we relate to the world around us.

God of grace, have mercy on us:

when we force our way on those with whom we work and live;

when we blend into this world and disregard your kingdom plans;

and when we separate ourselves from the world rather than seeking to bless it.

Silent confession

Lord Jesus, in your incarnation you were faithfully present in a Nazareth carpentry shop. You honored the father not only by your redemptive work on the cross but also by making excellent tables.

As your apprentices, may we, too, be faithfully present in our workplaces. Forgive us for failing at this task. Help us to grasp that there is no ordinary work, only extraordinary work done in your name and for your glory. May the quality of our work honor you, and may our work witness to the glory of the gospel and your unimaginable excellence. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: *God reaffirms his mercy*

Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God

Words and music by Keith Getty & Stuart Townend

At this time, parents may bring their children back into worship for Communion. Please wait outside the glass door of the children's area for your child to be brought to you.

**Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord,
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for Your purity.
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.**

**Holy Spirit, come abide within;
May Your joy be seen in all I do—
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin,
In each thought and deed and attitude,
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace.
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.**

**Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show Your power once again on earth;
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise.
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.**

COMMUNION

God invites us to a meal

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord our God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We praise you and we thank you...

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

Hallelujah, Let us keep the Feast!

The gifts of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- ▶ Christ Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin and trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel, to receive the Holy Communion with us.
- ▶ If you are not sure if you should take Communion, or if you have come to believe in Jesus today, we encourage you to meet with one of the elders at the front of the sanctuary following the service.
- ▶ If you are not receiving Communion, please use the printed prayers as a guide.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTIONS

- ▶ Please come forward to receive communion. Those wishing to be served as a group or family should approach the elements together. We invite non-communing children to come forward with your parents to receive prayer.
- ▶ If you are unable to come forward, please raise your hand to be served in your seat. Throughout this time of communion, we invite you to join in singing as you are ready.
- ▶ For those unable to take wine, grape juice is offered in the center ring of each tray.
- ▶ For those with diet restrictions, gluten-free bread is in the center of each tray.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

Prayer for those searching for truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may I turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

How Sweet and Awe-filled is the Place

Isaac Watts | Irish melody

How sweet and awe-filled is the place with Christ within the doors,
While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast,
Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, “Lord, why was I a guest?”

Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there’s room,
When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?”

‘Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in;
Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come;
Send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all who seek your face
May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

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Holy Hands (Not What My Hands Have Done)

Horatio Bonar, 1861 (4th verse altered by Aaron Keyes 2007, chorus: Karl Digerness 1999 | Karl Digerness

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul,
Not what my toiling flesh has borne, can make my spirit whole,
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Chorus:

These guilty hands are raised,
Filthy rags are all I bring,
And I have come to hide beneath your wings.
These holy hands are raised,
Washed in the fountain of your grace,
And now I wear your righteousness.

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin,
Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.
Thy love to me, O God—not mine O Lord to thee—
Can rid me of this dark unrest and set my spirit free.

Chorus

Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak,
Thy power alone, O Lamb of God, can this sore bondage break.
No other work save thine, no other blood will do;
No strength save that which is divine can bear me safely through.

Chorus

I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might.
He calls me his, I call him mine; my God, my joy, my light.
The Lord has saved my life and freely pardon gives;
I love because he first loved me, I live because he lives.

Chorus

COMMISSIONING

Holy is the Lord

Chris Tomlin | Louie Giglio

We stand and lift up our hands,
For the joy of the Lord is our strength.
We bow down and worship him now.
How great, how awesome is he.
And together we sing,
Ev'ryone sing.

Chorus:

Holy is the Lord God Almighty.
The earth is filled with his glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty.
The earth is filled with his glory,
The earth is filled with his glory

We stand and lift up our hands,
For the joy of the Lord is our strength.
We bow down and worship him now.
How great, how awesome is he.
And together we sing,
Ev'ryone sing.

Chorus (2x)

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BENEDICTION: *God sends us out in his power.*

As you receive the benediction, please feel free to extend your hands in symbolic anticipation of God's blessing.