

CHRIST THE REDEEMER -presbyterian church-

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 5, 2023

Welcome to CHRIST THE REDEEMER...

We're glad you've joined us. Whether you have followed Jesus your whole life or you can't remember the last time you stepped foot in a church, we want you to feel welcome to come as you are and worship with our church family. If you have any questions about our church or where to find something, please don't hesitate to ask. We're excited about what God is doing among us as we seek to live, grow and serve as followers of Jesus in Portland and in our surrounding neighborhoods. So, welcome to CTR, we'd love to have you as part of our family.

During our service, our nursery is open for babies who are crawlers through 3-year-olds. If you need help finding the nursery area, please ask any of our greeters!

Children's Church is in session. After the blessing each week, children age 4 and up are welcome to go to Children's Church. They will re-join their families after the sermon.

THE RHYTHM OF OUR WORSHIP

On the road to Emmaus (Luke 24), when Jesus' disciples found themselves troubled and confused, Jesus met them along the way. When they confessed their troubles and doubts to Him, His words and presence began to change them. He unfolded God's Word to them, pointing to His own person and work. He dined with them, giving thanks and breaking bread. The disciples recognized their Lord's presence with them and hurried to tell others the good news.

In the Emmaus story, we recognize the pattern of historic Christian worship as it began to take shape. Our worship liturgy at Christ the Redeemer moves through a specific rhythm: God **SUMMONS** us as His people, God **SANCTIFIES** us to Himself, God **SPEAKS** to us in His Word, God **STRENGTHENS** us at His table, and God **SENDS** us into the world to share His grace.

The emphasis throughout our worship is upon God's action and our appropriate response. In worship, we rehearse the gospel message of Jesus' death and resurrection and are caught up into the mission of the Triune God. The flow of our liturgy aims at drawing us further into the life of the Trinity as children of God and then impelling us outward into our world.

-adapted from City Church Philadelphia Guide to Our Worship

GOD SUMMONS

CALL TO WORSHIP

[L] Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

[P] Worship the LORD with gladness! Come before him with joyful songs!

[L] Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us and we are his;

[P] we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

- [L] Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him and praise his name!
- [P] For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.

Psalm 100

S O N G 10,000 REASONS [BLESS THE LORD]

GOD SANCTIFIES [RENEWAL]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] Merciful God, we humble ourselves in your presence, confessing our unworthiness and our sinfulness in your sight. We have broken your holy law. We have not sought first your kingdom and righteousness. We have been anxious and troubled about many things, and have neglected the things that belong to our peace. We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves, or done to others as we would that they should do to us.

Most Gracious God, our heavenly Father, who hast given your Son, Jesus Christ, to save your people from their sins; forgive us, we pray; cleanse us from all unrighteousness, and renew a right spirit within us; through the grace of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, Amen.

The Book of Common Order, Language Modernized by Stuart Strachan Jr.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] The good news in Christ is that when we face ourselves and God with the awareness of our need, we are given grace to grow, and courage to continue the journey.Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

[All] In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

S O N G YET NOT I BUT THROUGH CHRIST IN ME

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LIFE OF THE PEOPLE [ANNOUNCEMENTS]

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THE PEACE OF GOD and THE BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

- [L] May the peace of the Lord be always with you.
- [P] **And also with you.**
- [L] People of God, what is our prayer for these and all our children?
- [All] May the Lord be with you.
- [Children] And also with you.



GOD SPEAKS

[WORD]

S O N G

WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

SCRIPTURE

Matthew 6:5-13 Read by Roger Kepler

The Lord's Prayer

⁵ "And when you pray, you must not be like the hypocrites. For they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, that they may be seen by others. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. ⁶ But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

⁷ "And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ Pray then like this:

"Our Father in heaven,		
hallowed be your name.		
¹⁰ Your kingdom come,		
your will be done,		
on earth as it is in heaven.		
¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,		
¹² and forgive us our debts,		
as we also have forgiven our debtors.		
¹³ And lead us not into temptation,		
but deliver us from evil.		
The grass withers and the flower fades,		
but the Word of God stands forever.		
The Word of the Lord.		
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Isaiah 40:8

[P] **Thanks be to God.**

[L]

Sermon Series: KINGDOM PRAYER: THE LORD'S PRAYER

Sermon: WHEN YOU PRAY

Rev. Sean J.S. Roberts Senior Pastor

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A #1

- [L] What is your only comfort in life and in death?
- [P] 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 set me free 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, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Sue Miller

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art 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 forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

GOD STRENGTHENS [TABLE]

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

<u>A Word about Communion</u>: Communion is the family meal of Christians. Baptized believers actively looking to Jesus as their hope for salvation are warmly invited to share in this meal with us as our brothers and sisters.

- Please approach the servers by <u>coming up the middle aisle</u> and returning <u>to your seat via the outside</u> <u>aisles</u>.
- Once you receive the bread and wine/juice, please hold on to it as you return to your seat. We will partake together as one body after everyone has received the elements.
- Children and those who are not partaking are also welcome to approach the servers for a prayer or word of God's blessing. We ask that you fold your hands as you approach so the server is aware.
- Please dispose of your communion cups and any other trash in the wastebasket located at the back of the sanctuary or the one near the exit at the front of the sanctuary as you leave today. Thank you!

SONG: SANCTUS

WORDS OF INVITATION & INSTITUTION

GREAT PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

- [L] Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.
- [P] Christ has died. Christ has risen. Christ will come again.
- [L] Alleluia! Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed for us.
- [P] **Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**
- [L] The gifts of God for the people of God.

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

PRAYERS OF REFLECTION

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the Way, the Truth and the Life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for 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 to 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 my Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may 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 only to you, the author and finisher 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.

COMMUNION SONG I'LL NOT BE SHAKEN

GOD SENDS [MISSION] RESPONSES OF JOY

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND RESOURCES [our tithes and offerings]

If you would like to give online, please use this QR code: This takes you to our online giving portal.

S O N G ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST

BENEDICTION AND SENDING

- [L] Go in peace, in the knowledge of God's power.Go in confidence, in the knowledge of God's strength.Go in joy, in the knowledge of God's love.
- [All] Thanks be to God.



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another, and help one another grow in the gospel. Most of our groups have paused for the summer, but if you are interested in joining a group in the fall, please contact Pastor Josh

There are currently groups in the following communities:

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> PORTLAND (2 groups) SOUTH PORTLAND LAKES REGION

CTR KIDS LENDING LIBRARY

We are so excited about our CTR Kids Lending Library! Before and after church, please visit the library cart in the back of the sanctuary and choose a Gospel-centered book to take home with you for the week! There are books available for all age groups, and some parenting resources as well!

SCARBOROUGH

FREEPORT/DURHAM

NEW GLOUCESTER

Community groups are one of the primary places that we get to know one another, care for

DIAPER DRIVE FOR THE KRUSE'S

Join us in celebrating the soon arrival of EJ and Vicky's third little girl by showering them with diapers! You may bring a box to church or drop them off with Claire Roberts. Baby Kruse is due in late February!

(Request: We kindly ask that you do <u>not</u> give Wal-Mart brand. 😊 Thank you!)



HIGHLIGHTS...

COMMUNITY GROUPS:

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ON THE CALENDAR:

TODAY	TWO LIGHTS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS – 9 AM For children in 3rd-5th grade! Join us Sunday mornings for treats + fun while deepening your knowledge and faith in the Gospel! For more information, please contact Ally Henderson (ahenderson@ctrportland.org).
MON, FEB 6	WOMENS' WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY – 6 PM @ the home of Laura Wiersma, 29 Lilac Lane, New Gloucester (GPS does not recognize this address so please use 54 N Pownal Road - that will get you to Lilac Lane). A light meal will be served. Curriculum: "Romans: At His Feet" (Blanton/Gordon)
FRI, FEB 10	FRIDAY PLAY GROUP – 10 AM – 1 PM Calling all stay-at-home moms or dads! Plan to join us at playgroup every Friday at 10am. We are at a different location every week, so keep a lookout on Instagram (@ctrportlandkids) for more information! Any and everyone is welcome with their children. It has been a joy to fellowship with parents from CTR and also meet other parents from the greater Portland area! Please contact Abby Reid if you have any questions.
SAT, FEB 11	CTR Kids 2nd ANNUAL CARING with CARDS – 4 PM Come join us Saturday, Feb 11, as we make special Valentines for essential personnel and first responders in greater Portland! We'll have all the goodies for crafting and some yummy treats for tasting!! Location: Fellowship Hall (Lower Level) of the church offices, 1364 Washington Ave. Portland
SUN, FEB 12	DEACONS OFFERING SUNDAY – We set aside one Sunday a quarter to focus some of our giving specifically to the Deacons Fund. This fund exists to support members of our congregation or community who have temporary financial needs such as rent, groceries, medical bills, counseling, and other challenges.
	If you wish to give to this fund, you make may a note on the memo line of your check or give online using the QR code on page 9.
WED, FEB 22	ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – 6:30 PM Join us for a service of prayer and reflection as we enter the Lenten season. We will spend time reflecting on our mortality, renewing our practice of daily repentance, and rejoicing with confidence and gratitude for Christ's work through prayers, readings, and singing. Come, rejoice in the power of the Gospel with us as we begin this journey to the cross and then finally to the joy of Easter.

MERCY TEAM: SERVE WITH THE ROOT CELLAR

Our Mercy Team is supporting the effort to provide food for the many asylum-seeking families that are housed at the Motel 6 in Portland. The Root Cellar needs regular assistance packaging and delivering meals. We hope to send regular volunteers to help meet this important and tangible need. There are opportunities to serve between 4:30pm and 6:30pm, Monday- Saturday.

Please contact Josh (jhenderson@ctrportland) for more info.

If you would like to <u>package meals</u>, use this QR code to sign up:



If you can help with <u>meal delivery</u>, Use this QR code to sign up:



CTR PRAYER CHAIN:

If you have a prayer request or would like to join the prayer chain at CTR, please send an email to prayer@ctrportland.org. The coordinators, Carol Fecteau or Megan Lafuta, will be happy to help.

SERVE...

At CTR, we believe that part of what makes the church a beautiful place is that it draws people with various passions and gifts into one body. Below are some opportunities to use your passions and gifts to serve one another and our local community.

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Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church longs to be a diverse people who gather around and extend the table of God's grace.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 AM

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