

CHRIST THE REDEEMER -presbyterian church-

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME June 2, 2024

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 $4 - 1^{st}$ grade 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

[PRAISE]

CALL TO WORSHIP

[L] Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

[All] Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.

[L] And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

[All] Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.

[L] Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.

[All] And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Adapted from Colossians 3:14-17 & Ephesians 3:18,19

SONG PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

GOD SANCTIFIES

[RENEWAL]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] We are raised with Christ, and yet our hearts are set on things below, not things above. We have not rid ourselves of anger, rage, malice, slander or bad language. We have not clothed ourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness or patience. We have not forgiven others as you forgave us in Christ. Lord, forgive us all our sins and strengthen us to live to your praise and glory. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

- [L] Brothers and sisters, the One who was rejected by family, friend, and neighbor is the One who expresses love for sinners like us. He epitomizes the love of which Paul wrote to the Corinthian church: He is patient, kind, and humble. He does not insist upon his own way, complain, or hold grudges. He is saddened by sin and rejoices in truth. He bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. For us, he endured the extent of shame and scorn upon the cross so that we may be unfettered and freed to live and love.
- [All] In Him, we are forgiven. Amen.

SONG WHO YOU SAY I AM

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LIFE OF THE PEOPLE [ANNOUNCEMENTS]

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RECOGNITION OF OUR 2024 GRADUATE Hanna Miller

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.

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SONG

THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

GOD SPEAKS

S C R I P T U R E Colossians 3:1-17 ESV Read by Douglas Peaslee

Living as Those Made Alive in Christ

¹Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. ⁴When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

⁵ Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. ⁶ Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. ⁷ You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. ⁸ But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. ⁹ Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices ¹⁰ and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. ¹¹ Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

¹² Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience. ¹³ Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. ¹⁴ And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

¹⁵ Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. ¹⁶ Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts. ¹⁷ And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

[L] The grass withers and the flower fades, but the Word of God stands forever. The Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon Series: CHRIST, OUR LIFE [The Letter to the Colossians]

Sermon: UNION

Rev. Sean J.S. Roberts *Senior Pastor*

Isaiah 40:8

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q #'s 1 & 2

- [L] What is the chief end of man?
- [All] Man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy him forever.
- [L] What rule has God given to direct us in how to glorify and enjoy him?
- [All] The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us as to how we may glorify and enjoy him.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Elder Rick Hollen

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</u> <u>via the outside 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!

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DOXOLOGY [Old 100th]

WORDS OF INVITATION & INSTITUTION

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

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LIKE A RIVER GLORIOUS

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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.



SONG

THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

BENEDICTION and SENDING

- [L] Now the God of perseverance and of encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus, that with one accord you may with one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- [All] Thanks be to God.

HIGHLIGHTS

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ON THE CALENDAR:

MON, JUN 3	WOMENS' 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 supper will be served.
FRI, JUN 7	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. Please contact Abby Reid if you have any questions.
WED, JUN 19	MEN'S DROP-IN EVENT – 4:45 – 6:15 PM Foundation Brewing, 1 Industrial Way, Suite 7, Portland
FRI, JUN 21	PORTLAND SEADOGS BASEBALL GAME – 6:10 PM CTR has reserved <u>50</u> seats for this annual outing to Hadlock Field. Ticket price is \$10. To get one of the reserved tickets, please use this QR code. The purchase deadline is <u>JUNE 7</u> ! Please contact Claire Roberts [cell 956.270.2565] with questions.
SUN, JUN 30	ORDINATION OF ALDEN GROVES – 10 AM Our new Assistant Pastor, Alden Groves, will be ordained on this Sunday. Our guest preacher that day will be one of Alden's mentors and professors, Rev. Dr. Robert Edwards. Isaiah Groves will also be baptized during this service. Plan to join us on this very special day in the life of our church.



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ON THE CALENDAR:

JUL 15-17 FCA POWER CAMP GREATER PORTLAND We are excited to partner with the Southern Maine Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes to bring a fun sports camp and the gospel to kids in Greater Portland! Details: Presumpscot Park, Portland Sports Offered: Football, Soccer & Basketball This camp is for ages 5-13.

REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN BY USING THIS QR CODE!

SUN, JUL 21 ANNUAL CTR SUMMER PICNIC – Save this date!!! Our annual picnic will be on site @ 97 Allen Avenue and will follow our Worship Service.

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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How Do I Get and Stay Connected at CTR?

At CTR we long for clear communication and deep bonds. We are excited that you're interested in being more connected and involved. The following is a list of our communication channels and their purpose in the life of our body:

1. EMAIL NEWSLETTER (Keeping in Touch)

This is the primary vehicle by which we communicate regarding the life of our church. Most weeks you will receive an email with announcements and upcoming events. From time to time, our elders will also use this vehicle for church-wide or members only correspondence. **NOTE:** If you are not regularly checking your email from CTR, it will be difficult to feel and be connected in the life of our church. [Use this QR code to sign up for the email.]



2. CTR APP & TEXT MESSAGES

The CTR App is designed to help those in our church interact with each other. It is largely crowd sourced and includes information on informal meetups, prayer requests, live and past sermons/services, different hobby groups, ways to give, etc. [See page 13 to download the App.]

Text Messages are sent exclusively as reminders about events in the days/hours immediately beforehand.

3. SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday mornings employ several communication methods, including written *announcements in our Order of Worship*, verbally highlighted *announcements*, and (new) *projected announcements* running before and after the service. Sunday Morning announcements are focused on pointing people to events and ministries that help them explore or integrate more fully into the life of our church. Given the diverse backgrounds and circumstances of those attending Sunday Morning Worship, only on rare and exceptional occasions will these vehicles be used by leadership for information that is primarily member focused.

4. CTR WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

Both mediums are designed to be primarily outward facing.

The CTR Website [ctrportland.org] is designed to be our front door– a welcoming place for new people to discover and learn about our church. It is minimal in announcements and church life information.

Social Media [Instagram & Facebook] is used for promotion of church events. People are encouraged to "re-post" as a way of sharing with and inviting their friends. [@ctrportland]

If you would like to access or have had difficulty accessing any of these vehicles, please contact <u>ctr@ctrportland.org</u>. Our admin, Cheryl Sullivan, is happy to help you get integrated into our communication systems.

DOWNLOAD THE CTR APP!







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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