



CHRIST  
THE REDEEMER

-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

July 2, 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](#)*

# G O D S U M M O N S

[ P R A I S E ]

## C A L L T O W O R S H I P

[L] The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it,  
the world, and those who live in it;

[P] **for he has founded it on the seas,  
and established it on the rivers.**

[L] Who shall ascend the hill of the LORD?  
And who shall stand in his holy place?

[P] **Those who have clean hands and pure hearts,  
who do not lift up their souls to what is false,  
and do not swear deceitfully.**

Psalm 24:1-4

## S O N G S

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

# GOD SANCTIFIES

[RENEWAL]

## CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] **Our ever merciful and compassionate God, forgive our forgetfulness of your grace to us. We from time to time have demanded of others a standard that we have failed to meet ourselves. We have related to others in terms of measuring up to this standard rather than as fellow debtors to grace. We have forgotten the profundity of our need and thought of ourselves as worthy of your favor, and so have demeaned others in thought, word and deed.**

**O Lord, our Savior, show us again the depth and breadth of your marvelous work on our behalf, that we may evermore, all the days of our lives, express an ever-increasing understanding of your gospel in our relationships to you and others, through the power of your Spirit at work in us, in the name of your blessed Son, Amen.**

## TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

## WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] The LORD is gracious and merciful,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love  
The LORD is good to all,  
and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Psalm 145:8-9

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

## SONG

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

LIFE OF THE PEOPLE  
[ANNOUNCEMENTS]

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STORY OF RESCUE AND GRACE

*Peter Kouba*

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.**

**G O D S P E A K S**

[ W O R D ]

S O N G

BE THOU MY VISION

S C R I P T U R E

1 Samuel 16:1-13

Read by Douglas Peaslee

*David Anointed King*

<sup>1</sup>The LORD said to Samuel, “How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons.” <sup>2</sup>And Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me.” And the LORD said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.’” <sup>3</sup>And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you.” <sup>4</sup>Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, “Do you come peaceably?” <sup>5</sup>And he said, “Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.” And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

<sup>6</sup>When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, “Surely the LORD's anointed is before him.” <sup>7</sup>But the LORD said to Samuel, “Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart.” <sup>8</sup>Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” <sup>9</sup>Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, “Neither has the LORD chosen this one.” <sup>10</sup>And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, “The LORD has not chosen these.” <sup>11</sup>Then Samuel said to Jesse, “Are all your sons here?” And he said, “There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep.” And Samuel said to Jesse, “Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here.” <sup>12</sup>And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, “Arise, anoint him, for this is he.” <sup>13</sup>Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

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

Isaiah 40:8

The Word of the Lord.

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

Sermon Series:

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO DAVID

Sermon:

DAVID ANNOINTED

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

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

*A Word about Communion: 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 coming up the middle aisle and returning to your seat via the outside aisles.*
- *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

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

COMMUNION SONG  
CORNERSTONE

## 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.

G O D S E N D S  
[MISSION]  
R E S P O N S E S O F J O Y

O F F E R I N G O U R L I V E S A N D  
R E S O U R C E S  
[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  
T H E C H U R C H ' S O N E F O U N D A T I O N

B E N E D I C T I O N A N D S E N D I N G

[L] Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

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

# HIGHLIGHTS

July 2, 2023

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## CTR KIDS LENDING LIBRARY

We are so excited about our CTR Kids Lending Library! Before and after church, please visit the library cart near our nursery 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!

## ON THE CALENDAR:

FRI, JUL 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.

SUN, JUL 9

### **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 Abby Reid (areid@ctrportland.org).

SUN, JUL 16

### **CTR'S ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** – 10 AM – 3 PM

@ the Picnic Shelter @ Two Lights State Park, Cape Elizabeth  
Our Worship Service will be held at Two Lights also!

Here are the details:

*The Worship Service starts at 10am so plan to arrive at Two Lights around 9:45 am. Please let the park ranger at the gate know that you are with CTR. We are paying for your admission to the park.*

## ON THE CALENDAR:

SUN, JUL 16

### **CTR'S ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC** – [continued]

What to bring:

Please bring a lawn chair and/or blanket.

If your last name begins with A-N, please bring a side dish.

If your last name begins with O-Z, please bring a dessert.

*[If you can, please bring your dish in a cool bag to keep it cool during the Worship Service.]*

CTR will provide hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks.

There will be kids' activities during the service to help keep the kids busy!

WED, JUL 19

### **BOOKS & BUBBLY** – 7 PM @ 64 Brook Rd., Portland

Ladies: Our book is *The Nightingale: A Novel* [Kristin Hannah]. For more info, please contact Claire Roberts [clerkus@gmail.com].

SUN, JUL 23

### **LUNCH & SOCCER WITH OUR FRIENDS @ NORTH DEERING ALLIANCE CHURCH** - Noon

@ North Deering Alliance Church, 1301 Washington Ave, Portland  
Save the date! More information to come!

WED, JUL 26

### **CTR MEN'S RED SOX OUTING**

Join us at Fenway Park on Wednesday, July 26 as the Red Sox take on the Atlanta Braves at 7:10pm.

This is a great opportunity to bring friends from outside of CTR! We'll carpool from a central location in the Portland area, probably leaving between 4-5pm. We'll send at least two cars: one that will leave the ballpark at a predetermined time (for those who need their beauty sleep before work the next day), and another for those who will stay for the full game regardless of its end time.

Tickets will be somewhere around \$40, depending on how many people come. Factor in each man's share of parking fees and any ballpark food or beverages, and the total expenditure should not exceed \$100. Scholarships are available, so if you'd like to come but can't swing the cost, please talk to Pastor Sean.

Please RSVP by phone, email or text to Dan McKrell by **Friday, July 7:** 207-358-9754 or daniel.mckrell@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!

# SUMMER WRITING CHALLENGE 2023

Looking for a creative outlet?  
Trying to become Maine's next great writer?  
Do you just like to eat tasty snacks?  
Join us for our CTR Summer Writing Challenge!

## Instructions:

Using the word "escape" as a starting point, write a story, essay, poem, song, etc.  
(max. ~3,000 words).

## Details:

Email your piece to Alden Groves by **Saturday, August 5**.  
We will gather at the Groves' house to hear / discuss each other's pieces (and eat some snacks!)  
on **Friday, August 11 at 7:30 pm**.

# 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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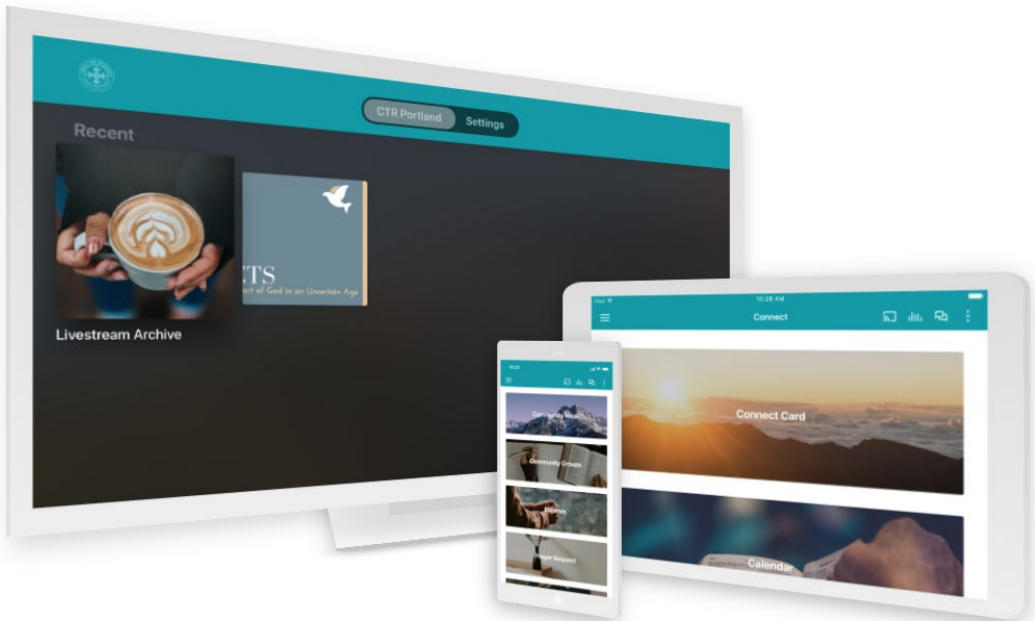








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Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church  
longs to be a diverse people who gather around  
and extend the table of God's grace.

**SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 AM**

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