

CHRIST
THE REDEEMER

-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

January 16, 2022

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 now back in session. After the blessing, children age 5 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

[PRAISE]

CALL TO WORSHIP

[L] The Lord Jesus who calls us to worship him today is the same Jesus who refused the temptation to worship the evil one. Rather than receive the glorious kingdoms of this world, he endured the shame of the cross, and today is Lord of lords and King of kings. Now are gathered in him all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge, glory, and power. With the saints of all ages we say,

[All] **"Worthy is the Lamb, who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and strength and honor and glory and praise!"**

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

Alanna Glover, Louis Bourgeois, and William Kethe

All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice
Serve him with joy his praises tell
Come now before him and rejoice

Know that the Lord is God indeed
He formed us all without our aid
We are the flock he comes to feed
The sheep who by his hand were made

Chorus

*O let the earth rejoice
Lift up your voice
and magnify his holy name
O let the earth rejoice
Lift up your voice
and magnify his holy name*

O enter then his gates with joy
Within his courts his praise proclaim
Let thankful songs your tongues employ
O bless and magnify his name

[Chorus]

Because the Lord our God is good
His mercy is forever sure
His faithfulness at all times stood
And shall from age to age endure

[Chorus]

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father Son and Holy Ghost
Amen

GOD SANCTIFIES

[RENEWAL]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] **O Holy One, we call to you and name you as eternal, ever-present, and boundless in love. Yet there are times, O God, when we fail to recognize you in the dailyness of our lives. Sometimes shame clenches tightly around our hearts, and we hide our true feelings. Sometimes fear makes us small, and we miss the chance to speak from our strength. Sometimes doubt invades our hopefulness, and we degrade our own wisdom.**

Holy God, in the daily round from sunrise to sunset, remind us again of your holy presence hovering near us and in us. Free us from shame and self-doubt. Help us to see you in the moment-by-moment possibilities to live honestly, to act courageously, and to speak from our wisdom.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.
May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

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

O CHURCH ARISE [ARISE SHINE]

Stuart Townend, Keith & Kristyn Getty, Chris Tomlin

O Church, arise and put your armor on
Hear the call of Christ, our Captain
For now the weak can say
that they are strong
In the strength that God has given
With shield of faith and belt of truth
We'll stand against the devil's lies
An army bold, whose battle cry is love
Reaching out to those in darkness

Our call to war, to love the captive soul
But to rage against the captor
And with the sword
that makes the wounded whole
We will fight with faith and valor
When faced with trials on ev'ry side
We know the outcome is secure
And Christ will have the prize
for which he died
An inheritance of nations

Chorus

*Arise, shine, for your Light has come
Arise, shine, for the risen Son
Lift your eyes; we are his radiant bride
Arise, O Church, arise*

Come see the cross,
where love and mercy meet
As the Son of God is stricken
Then see his foes lie
crushed beneath his feet
For the Conqueror has risen
And as the stone is rolled away
And Christ emerged from his grave
This victory march continues 'til the day
Every eye and heart shall see him

So Spirit come, put strength in every stride
Give grace for every hurdle
That we may run with faith to win the prize
Of a servant good and faithful
As saints of old still line the way
Retelling triumphs of his grace
We hear their calls and hunger for the day
When with Christ we stand in Glory

Chorus

*Arise, shine, for your Light has come
Arise, shine, for the risen Son
Lift your eyes; we are his radiant bride
Arise, O Church, arise [2X]*

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.**

G O D S P E A K S

[W O R D]

THE GOSPEL SONG

Drew Jones, Bob Kauflin

Holy God in love became
Perfect man to bear my blame
On the cross He took my sin
By His death I live again

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 9:19b-31

Read by Haylee Freeman

Saul Proclaims Jesus in Synagogues

^{19b} some days he was with the disciples at Damascus. ²⁰ And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, “He is the Son of God.” ²¹ And all who heard him were amazed and said, “Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the chief priests?” ²² But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

Saul Escapes from Damascus

²³ When many days had passed, the Jews plotted to kill him, ²⁴ but their plot became known to Saul. They were watching the gates day and night in order to kill him, ²⁵ but his disciples took him by night and let him down through an opening in the wall, lowering him in a basket.

Saul in Jerusalem

²⁶ And when he had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples. And they were all afraid of him, for they did not believe that he was a disciple. ²⁷ But Barnabas took him and brought him to the apostles and declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus. ²⁸ So he went in

and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. ²⁹ And he spoke and disputed against the Hellenists. But they were seeking to kill him. ³⁰ And when the brothers learned this, they brought him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

³¹ So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

[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.**

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Series:

ACTS: THE GOSPEL GOES FORTH

Sermon:

AN UNEXPECTED TURNAROUND

Rev. Josh Henderson

Assistant Pastor

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Nicene Creed

[L] Christian, what is it that we believe?

[P] **We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Laura Kouba

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.

G O D S T R E N G T H E N S

[T A B L E]

C E L E B R A T I N G H O L Y C O M M U N I O N

A Word about Communion: Communion, also called the Lord's Supper, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ who are members of his body, the Church, to participate.

S A N C T U S

Holy! Holy! Holy, Lord!
God of power and might!
Heaven and earth are full of your glory!
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!

—based on Psalm 118:26; Isaiah 6:3

W O R D S O F I N V I T A T I O N & I N S T I T U T I O N

G R E A T P R A Y E R O F T H A N K S G I V I N G

M E M O R I A L A C C L A M A T I O N

[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.

P A R T A K I N G O F T H E E L E M E N T S

MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

Keith & Kristyn Getty; Graham Kendrick

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love - At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed - At the cross

Chorus

*I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest Treasure,
Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him, no other.
My soul is satisfied in Him alone.*

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame, youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us - At the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ - At the cross

[Chorus]

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed - my ransom paid - At the cross

[Chorus]

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.



WHAT THE LORD HAS DONE IN ME

Reuben Morgan

Let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Let the blind say I can see
It's what the Lord has done in me [Repeat]

Hosanna, hosanna
To the Lamb that was slain
Hosanna, hosanna
Jesus died and rose again [Sing 2x]

Into the river I will wade
There my sins are washed away
From the heaven's mercy stream
Of the Savior's love for me

I will rise from waters deep
Into the saving arms of God
I will sing salvation songs
Jesus Christ has set me free

Hosanna, hosanna
To the Lamb that was slain
Hosanna, hosanna
Jesus died and rose again [Sing 2x]

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

[L] And now may he grace you with his presence, so that the weak might say, 'I am strong', and the poor will say, 'I am rich', and the feeble will say, 'I am upheld'.
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

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

HIGHLIGHTS...

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LIVESTREAMING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

EVERY SUNDAY @ 10 AM

If you are in a vulnerable population or are not comfortable yet joining the in-person service, please continue to watch on Facebook each Sunday!

****to worship via LIVESTREAM*

Step 1- Download the Order of Worship

Step 2- Go to our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/ctrportland> OR

Go to our Livestream Page: <https://www.ctrportland.org/Livestream>

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Community groups are one of the primary places that we get to know one another, care for another, and help one another grow in the gospel. These groups meet regularly in homes throughout Greater Portland for fellowship, study, and prayer. Groups also often participate in fun social events and local service projects.

These groups are always ready to welcome new folks, so if you are interested in checking out a group, please use the sign-up sheet available or contact Pastor Josh Henderson [info on back of OOW].

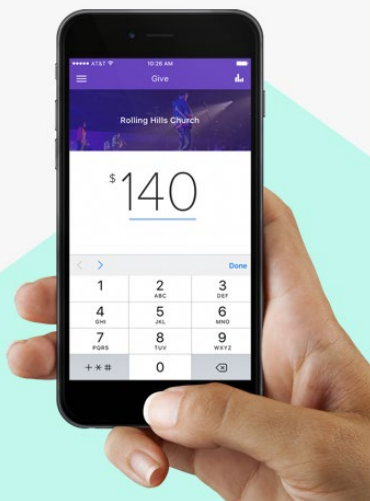
There are currently groups in the following communities:

PORTLAND (2 groups)
SOUTH PORTLAND
FREEPORT/DURHAM
NEW GLOUCESTER

SCARBOROUGH
BIDDEFORD
LAKES REGION

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NEW *for* 2022

We are excited to tell you that we are moving from our current giving platform, BREEZE, to Subsplash Giving! Your BREEZE account will remain active but your giving will be easier than ever and the fees for every transaction will now cost less!

If you currently have a recurring gift to CTR through BREEZE, you may go into your account and cancel that gift and then go to Subsplash Giving and begin your new recurring gift through that platform. Once your gifts are processed through Subsplash, the gift will be still be recorded in your BREEZE account so that you are always able to track your giving to CTR.

What you need to do:

- Turn off your recurring giving in BREEZE
- Sign up for Subsplash Giving and set up a recurring gift:
<https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/WMNPXT#/>
- If you do not have recurring gifts, just use this link for future giving:
<https://secure.subsplash.com/ui/access/WMNPXT#/>

We are so thankful for you and your continued participation in and support of the gospel ministry of CTR.

Please feel free to contact Cheryl Sullivan with questions or help with this.
E-mail: ctr@ctrportland.org or Ph. 207-205-1437.

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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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 Tipton, will be happy to help.



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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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