



CHRIST
THE REDEEMER

-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 7, 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](#)

G O D S U M M O N S

[P R A I S E]

CALL TO WORSHIP

[L] Who is this God whom we have come to worship?

[P] **God is the creator of all things seen and unseen.**

[L] Then let us worship the God of creation,

[P] **the God of all things great and small.**

SONG

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

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

[R E N E W A L]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] **O God, in gracious love, you promise to care for the creatures of earth; in steadfast love, you keep your promise. But we, who so quickly embrace your covenant, just as quickly betray it; we, from whom you desire worship, too often offer only scorn.**

For making and then keeping your promise in the greatness of your mercy, we sing your praise, Lord; and for accepting and then spurning your covenant in the greatness of our sin, we ask your forgiveness. Amen.

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] Those who love me, I will deliver, says the Lord; I will protect those who know my name. When they call to me, I will answer them; I will be with them in trouble, I will rescue them and honor them and show them my salvation.

Receive the good news of the gospel: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

based on Psalm 91:14-15

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

SONG

MY WORTH IS NOT IN WHAT I OWN

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]

S O N G

COME THOU FOUNT [ABOVE ALL ELSE]

S C R I P T U R E R E A D I N G

Genesis 9:1-17

Read by Tammy Locke

9 And God blessed Noah and his sons and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth. ² The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the heavens, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea. Into your hand they are delivered. ³ Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. And as I gave you the green plants, I give you everything. ⁴ But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood. ⁵ And for your lifeblood I will require a reckoning: from every beast I will require it and from man. From his fellow man I will require a reckoning for the life of man.

⁶ “Whoever sheds the blood of man,
by man shall his blood be shed,
for God made man in his own image.

⁷ And you, be fruitful and multiply, increase greatly on the earth and multiply in it.”

⁸ Then God said to Noah and to his sons with him, ⁹ “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your offspring after you, ¹⁰ and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the livestock, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark; it is for every beast of the earth. ¹¹ I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of the flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” ¹² And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: ¹³ I have set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. ¹⁴ When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, ¹⁵ I will remember my covenant that is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh. And the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. ¹⁶ When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and remember the everlasting

covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth.”¹⁷ God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth.”

Noah's Descendants

¹⁸ The sons of Noah who went forth from the ark were Shem, Ham, and Japheth. (Ham was the father of Canaan.)¹⁹ These three were the sons of Noah, and from these the people of the whole earth were dispersed.

²⁰ Noah began to be a man of the soil, and he planted a vineyard.²¹ He drank of the wine and became drunk and lay uncovered in his tent.²² And Ham, the father of Canaan, saw the nakedness of his father and told his two brothers outside.²³ Then Shem and Japheth took a garment, laid it on both their shoulders, and walked backward and covered the nakedness of their father. Their faces were turned backward, and they did not see their father's nakedness.²⁴ When Noah awoke from his wine and knew what his youngest son had done to him,²⁵ he said,

“Cursed be Canaan;
a servant of servants shall he be to his brothers.”

²⁶ He also said,

“Blessed be the LORD, the God of Shem;
and let Canaan be his servant.

²⁷ May God enlarge Japheth,
and let him dwell in the tents of Shem,
and let Canaan be his servant.”

²⁸ After the flood Noah lived 350 years.²⁹ All the days of Noah were 950 years, and he died.

[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:
GENESIS: CREATED FOR GLORY

Sermon:
THE HOPE OF GRACE IN THE FACE OF FEAR

Alden Groves
Pastoral Intern

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A #70

[L] What does it mean to be washed with Christ's blood and Spirit?

[All] **To be washed with Christ's blood means that God, by grace, has forgiven our sins because of Christ's blood poured out for us in his sacrifice on the cross.**

To be washed with Christ's Spirit means that the Holy Spirit has renewed and sanctified us to be members of Christ, so that more and more we become dead to sin and live holy and blameless lives.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Led by David Dyke

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 O N G : S A N C T U S

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

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
THERE IS A FOUNTAIN

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 S O L I D R O C K

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

[L] Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever.

Hebrews 13:20-21

[P] **Amen!**

HIGHLIGHTS...

August 7, 2022

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COMMUNITY GROUPS:

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. 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 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



CTR KIDS LENDING LIBRARY

We are so excited to launch 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!

ON THE CALENDAR:

- THURS, AUG 11** **MEN’S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY** – Thursdays @ 9 AM
This study will be led by Alden Groves and is open to any men who would like to join. The study will be on Galatians using John Stott’s *“Galatians: Experiencing the Grace of Christ”*. Plan to join Alden on Thursdays in the conference room @ 1364 Washington Ave, Portland.
E-mail: alden.d.groves@gmail.com
- FRI, AUG 12** **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 (@ctrportland) 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, AUG 13** **SUMMER RUNNING GROUP** – 7 AM
Looking for some regular exercise and consistent fellowship? Come join us for a weekly jog! We'll meet at Payson Park and run the Back Cove loop (~5k). The pace will be "conversational." Saturdays @ 7 AM. All welcome! Reach out to Alden Groves with interest alden.d.groves@gmail.com
- SUN, AUG 14** **CTR VISITORS LUNCH** – after the Worship Service
If you have been visiting and would like to get to know CTR better, we would love for you to join us for lunch at the church. Please contact Josh if you are interested in attending (jhenderson@ctrportland.org)
- DEACONS FUND 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 may make a note on the memo line of your check or give online using the QR code on page 9.

ON THE CALENDAR:

SAT, AUG 20

CTR & FRIENDS KAYAK EVENT – 5:30 PM

Join us for a CTR & Friends sunset paddling event on Sebago Lake! The \$29 cost per person covers paddle, life jacket, kayak. The paddle will last from 5:30pm-7:30/8:00pm. There are single and double kayaks available. The event is family friendly, and if families have life jackets or puddle jumpers for their kids, it's a good idea to bring those as well.

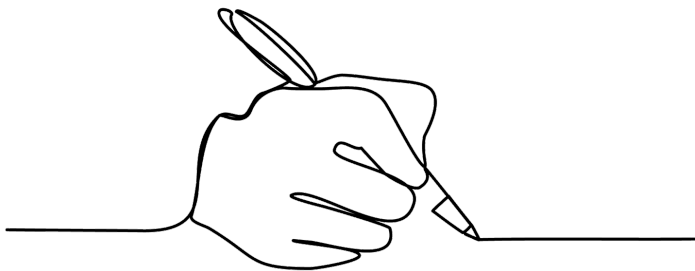
Laura Weirsma (laurajwiersma123@gmail.com) and Natalee Stotz (nataleestotz@gmail.com) are leading the trip. You may contact them with any questions. Register at the link below before it fills up!

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FRI, AUG 26

CTR SEA DOGS NIGHT – 5:30 PM

Come out for a night of baseball @ Hadlock Field to see the Portland Sea Dogs! Just purchase a general admission ticket and meet us @ the Slugger Sea Dog Statue at 5:30 PM -- Go Sea Dogs!



Summer Writing Challenge

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

Instructions: using the theme "**memory**" as a starting point, write a story, essay, poem, song, etc. (max. ~3,000 words).

Details: Email your piece to Alden by **Sat. 8/13**. we will gather at the Groves' house to hear / discuss each other's pieces (and eat fancy cheese and crackers!) on **Fri. 8/19 at 7:30 pm.**

Email Alden with questions or interest: alden.d.groves@gmail.com

SUPPLY DRIVE FOR NEW MAINERS

We are collecting supplies for asylum seekers and those experiencing homelessness that are staying at the Motel 6 in Portland. There are many recently arrived families and children with a need for toiletries, toys, and school supplies. If you are able, please bring items with you to church and we will deliver weekly to Motel 6. We would love to support them with the following items:

- Sports items (Balls, frisbees, soccer goals, jump ropes)
- Children's books (particularly coloring books/ crayons/pencils and board books for toddlers)
- Basic School Supplies (mostly elementary age)
- Toiletries (Shampoo, body wash, toothpaste, toothbrushes, floss, deodorant)
- Reusable Water Bottles
- Clothing Basics (socks, underwear, undershirts)

Contact Josh Henderson (jhenderson@ctrportland.org) with any questions!

WE WANT YOU TO KNOW...

During Pastor Sean Roberts' sabbatical this summer, we are happy to remind you that for any pastoral concerns, you may contact:

Pastor Josh Henderson @ 757.375.7640 or jhenderson@ctrportland.org
Assistant Pastor

Sue Miller @ 207.459.6797 or smiller@ctrportland.org
Director of Community Care

All other contact information for ministry leads may be found on page 14 or on the back of the Order of Worship. For general questions, you may contact Cheryl Sullivan in the office @ 207.205.1437 or ctr@ctrportland.org.

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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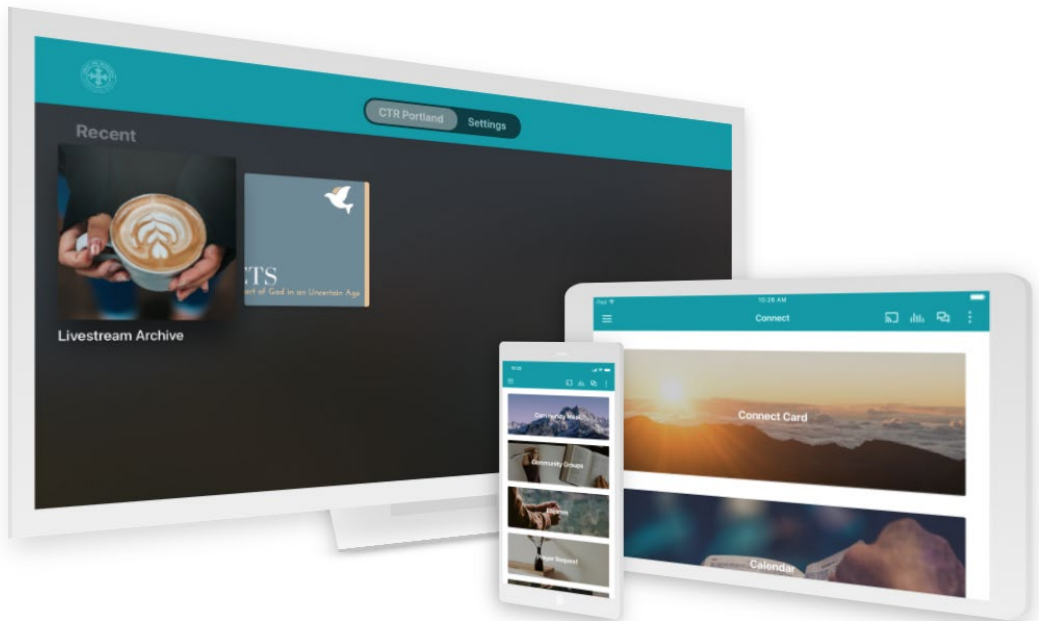
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CTR PRAYER CHAIN:

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 Tshikoji, will be happy to help.

DOWNLOAD THE CTR APP!





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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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