



CHRIST
THE REDEEMER

-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 29, 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]

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

[L] Come, let us bow down in worship,

[P] **let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;**

[L] for he is our God

[P] **and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.**

Psalm 95:6-7

BLESSED BE YOUR NAME

Beth Redman, Matt Redman

Blessed be your name
In the land that is plentiful
Where your streams of abundance flow
Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name
When I'm found in the desert place
Though I walk through the wilderness
Blessed be your name

Ev'ry blessing you pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
Still I will say

Chorus

Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your name
Blessed be the name of the Lord
Blessed be your glorious name
Blessed be your name

When the sun's shining down on me
When the world's all as it should be
Blessed be your name

Blessed be your name
On the road marked with suffering
Though there's pain in the offering
Blessed be your name

Ev'ry blessing you pour out I'll
Turn back to praise
When the darkness closes in, Lord,
Still I will say

[Chorus]

You give and take away
You give and take away
My heart will choose to say
Lord blessed be your name [2x]

[Chorus]

GOD SANCTIFIES

[RENEWAL]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] **Most merciful God whose Son, Jesus Christ, was tempted in every way, yet was without sin, we confess before you our own sinfulness; we have hungered after that which does not satisfy; we have compromised with evil; we have doubted your power to protect us. Forgive our lack of faith; have mercy on our weakness. Restore in us such trust and love that we may walk in your ways and delight in doing you will. Amen.**

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] By grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

Ephesians 2:8

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

OH, GIVE THANKS [PSALM 107]

Wendell Kimbrough

We were wand'ring in the desert
with our souls so starved and weak.
We were hungry for a homeland
we did not know how to seek.
But we lifted up our voices
to the only One who hears;
And the God of mercy came
and brought us near.

Chorus

*Oh, give thanks to the LORD
for His love endures forever!
We were wandering and lost,
and our Father brought us home,
To a safe dwelling place,
to a feast of joy and laughter.
Oh, give thanks to the LORD,
for He is good!*

We were locked out of the garden,
and our backs bent down with pain.
In the shadow of death's darkness,
we were slaves to sin and blame.
Then we cried out in our labor
to the only One who hears,
And the God of mercy
wiped away our tears.

[Chorus]

We were fools in our rebellion,
with our hunger strike of pride.
We were sick and growing closer
to the death we should have died.
Then he heard of our condition,
and he called us by our names;
And the God of glory
took away our shame.

[Chorus]

We were far out on the ocean
making wealth and chasing dreams
but the waves of great destruction
brought us trembling to our knees,
and we cried like drunken sailors
to the only One who hears
and the God of comfort
took away our fears.

Chorus

*Oh, give thanks to the LORD
for His love endures forever!
We were wandering and lost,
and our Father brought us home,
To a safe dwelling place,
to a feast of joy and laughter.
Oh, give thanks to the LORD,
for He is good!*

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]

SPEAK, O LORD

Stuart Townend and Keith Getty

Speak, O Lord, as we come to you
To receive the food of your holy word
Take your truth plant it deep in us
Shape and fashion us in your likeness
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us
All your purposes for your glory

Teach us, Lord, full obedience
Holy reverence true humility
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of your purity
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see
Your majestic love and authority
Words of power that can never fail
Let their truth prevail over unbelief

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds
Help us grasp the heights of your plans for us
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time
That will echo down through eternity
And by grace we'll stand on your promises
And by faith we'll walk as you walk with us
Speak O Lord till your church is built
And the earth is filled with your glory

SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 28:30-31; 2 Timothy 4:6-22

Read by Tammy Locke

³⁰He lived there two whole years at his own expense, and welcomed all who came to him, ³¹proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance.

⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. ⁸Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

Personal Instructions

⁹Do your best to come to me soon. ¹⁰For Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica. Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. ¹¹Luke alone is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is very useful to me for ministry. ¹²Tychicus I have sent to Ephesus. ¹³When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. ¹⁴Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will repay him according to his deeds. ¹⁵Beware of him yourself, for he strongly opposed our message. ¹⁶At my first defense no one came to stand by me, but all deserted me. May it not be charged against them! ¹⁷But the Lord stood by me and strengthened me, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. ¹⁸The Lord will rescue me from every evil deed and bring me safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Final Greetings

¹⁹Greet Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus. ²⁰Erastus remained at Corinth, and I left Trophimus, who was ill, at Miletus. ²¹Do your best to come before winter. Eubulus sends greetings to you, as do Pudens and Linus and Claudia and all the brothers.

²²The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

[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:

ACTS: THE HEART OF GOD IN AN UNCERTAIN AGE

Sermon:

A GOSPEL-SHAPED LIFE

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 FOR THE ROBERTS FAMILY

Prayers led by Dan McKrell, Jane Powers-Odenbach, and Abby Reid

GOD STRENGTHENS

[TABLE]

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

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.

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise him all creatures here below
Praise him above ye heav'nly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost

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

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.

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.



BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

Charitie Lees Bancroft and Vikki Cook

Before the throne of God above
I have a strong and perfect plea
A great High Priest whose name is Love
Who ever lives and pleads for me
My name is graven on his hands
My name is written on his heart
I know that while in heav'n he stands
No tongue can bid me thence depart
No tongue can bid me thence depart

When Satan tempts me to despair
And tells me of the guilt within
Upward I look and see him there
Who made an end to all my sin
Because the sinless Savior died
My sinful soul is counted free
For God the Just is satisfied
To look on him and pardon me
To look on him and pardon me

Behold Him there the risen Lamb
My perfect spotless righteousness
The great unchangeable I Am
The King of glory and of grace
One with himself I cannot die
My soul is purchased with his blood
My life is hid with Christ on high
With Christ my Savior and my God
With Christ my Savior and my God

One with himself I cannot die
my soul is purchased by his blood
my life is hid with Christ on high
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B E N E D I C T I O N & S E N D I N G

[L] Lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

Ephesians 4:1-6

[All] **Amen.**

HIGHLIGHTS...

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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



CTR KIDS LENDING LIBRARY

We are so excited to launch our CTRKids 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:

- TODAY** **SOCCER with NORTH DEERING ALLIANCE CHURCH – 1 PM**
@ Deering High School field
Josh Henderson is coordinating the soccer events this summer if you have questions or would like to join!
- FRI, JUNE 3** **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.
- WED, JUNE 8** **MEN’S DROP-IN EVENT – 4-6 PM**
Save the date, men! Food trucks & Cornhole @ Definitive Brewing, 35 Industrial Way, Portland
- THURS, JUNE 9** **MEN’S SUMMER BIBLE STUDY – Thursdays @ 9 AM** (beginning June 9)
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
- JUNE 17-19** **CTR SPRING CAMPING TRIP**
We would love for you to join us for our CTR camping trip to **Sebago Lake State Park!** The last form helped us get the sites reserved, but we now need you to sign up with number of campers and vehicles. We are looking forward to it!
- Please take a second to fill out the Google form via this QR code to let us know if you intend to join us!
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- JUL 11-13** **FCA RISE SPORTS CAMP – for kids ages 4-12 [9 AM – 12:30 PM]**
Register online @ www.fcamaine.org
Camp will be held @ Fitzpatrick Stadium, Portland
- SUN, JUL 31** **ANNUAL CTR SUMMER PICNIC – after the Worship Service**
@ Two Lights State Park, Cape Elizabeth

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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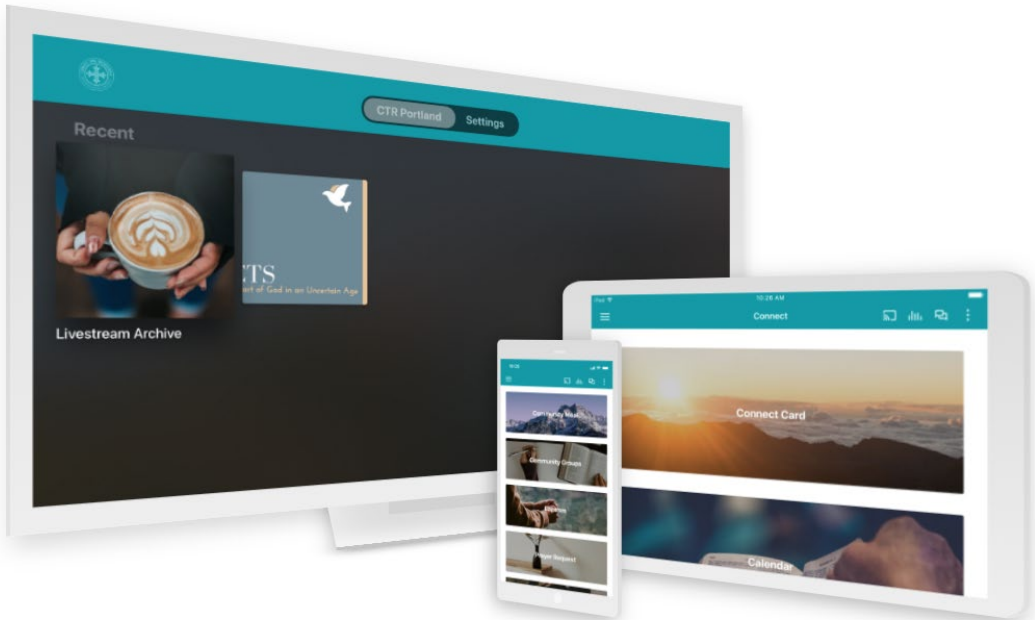
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CTR PRAYER CHAIN:

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.

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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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