

CHRIST
THE REDEEMER

-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 24, 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] Praise the LORD!

[P] **Praise the LORD from the heavens;**

praise him in the heights!

[L] Praise him, all his angels;

praise him, all his host!

[P] **Praise him, sun and moon;**

praise him, all you shining stars!

[L] Praise him, you highest heavens,

and you waters above the heavens!

[P] **Let them praise the name of the LORD,**

for he commanded, and they were created.

[L] He established them for ever and ever;

[All] **he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.**

Psalm 148: 1-6

S O N G

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

GOD SANCTIFIES

[RENEWAL]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] **Loving God, we confess before you and each other that our lives are not pure and holy apart from the cleansing we have from the work of Christ. And we confess that too often Christ in us is hidden by our actions that wound rather than heal, that tear down rather than build up. Open our eyes, that we may see you in the ones we say we love. Open our ears, that we may be quicker to listen than to speak. Open our mouths to speak good rather than evil of our neighbors. Open our hands in generosity and help us let go of clenched fists. Open our hearts to a desire to follow Jesus in full obedience to your will and your way. We pray trusting in your forgiveness and in the power of your Holy Spirit to lead and guide us in paths of justice and righteousness for your name's sake. Amen.**

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

John 3: 16-17

[P] **Amen.**

SONG

MAN OF SORROWS

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**ALL YE REFUGEES****S C R I P T U R E R E A D I N G**

Genesis 4: 1-16

Read by Roger Kepler

Cain and Abel

4 Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD."² And again, she bore his brother Abel. Now Abel was a keeper of sheep, and Cain a worker of the ground.³ In the course of time Cain brought to the LORD an offering of the fruit of the ground,⁴ and Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat portions. And the LORD had regard for Abel and his offering,⁵ but for Cain and his offering he had no regard. So Cain was very angry, and his face fell.⁶ The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your face fallen?⁷ If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is crouching at the door. Its desire is contrary to you, but you must rule over it."

⁸ Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him.⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?"¹⁰ And the LORD said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground.¹¹ And now you are cursed from the ground, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand.¹² When you work the ground, it shall no longer yield to you its strength. You shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth."¹³ Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is greater than I can bear.¹⁴ Behold, you have driven me today away from the ground, and from your face I shall be hidden. I shall be a fugitive and a wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me."¹⁵ Then the LORD said to him, "Not so! If anyone kills Cain, vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold." And the LORD put a mark on Cain, lest any who found him should attack him.¹⁶ Then Cain went away from the presence of the LORD and settled in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

[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:
ANGER, JUDGEMENT AND GRACE

Rev. Josh Henderson
Assistant Pastor

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Apostles Creed

[L] Christian, what do you believe?

[P] **I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Led by 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

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.

SONG: SANCTUS

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

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
ETERNAL WEIGHT OF GLORY

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

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

BENEDICTION & SENDING

[L] May our Lord Jesus Christ, the one who came with grace and truth, also fill your hearts with grace and truth, as you serve him in the days ahead. And may the joy of the Lord – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – be your strength.

[P] **Amen!**

HIGHLIGHTS...

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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:

- WED, JULY 27 **MEN'S DROP-IN EVENT** – 4-6 PM
@ Austin Street Brewery, 115 Fox Street, Portland
All men are welcome to come! And bring a friend!
- THURS, JULY 28 **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, JULY 29 **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, JULY 30 **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, JUL 31 **ANNUAL CTR SUMMER PICNIC** – after the Worship Service
@ Two Lights State Park, Cape Elizabeth
Put this date in your calendar and plan to come out to Two Lights and enjoy the beauty of God's creation and the love and fellowship of your CTR family!
Here are the details you need to know:
- 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.
 - CTR will provide hamburgers and hotdogs, condiments and drinks.
 - There will be games for both the adults and kids.
 - CTR will cover the admission fee to the park for all attendees. Please just let the park attendant at the gate know you are with CTR.
 - Please bring a blanket and a lawn chair
 - Picnic Coordinator: Alden Groves E-mail: alden.d.groves@gmail.com

ON THE CALENDAR:

SUN, AUG 14

CTR VISITOR 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 on August 14th. Please contact Josh if you are interested in attending (jhenderson@ctrportland.org)



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 7:30p.

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

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 15 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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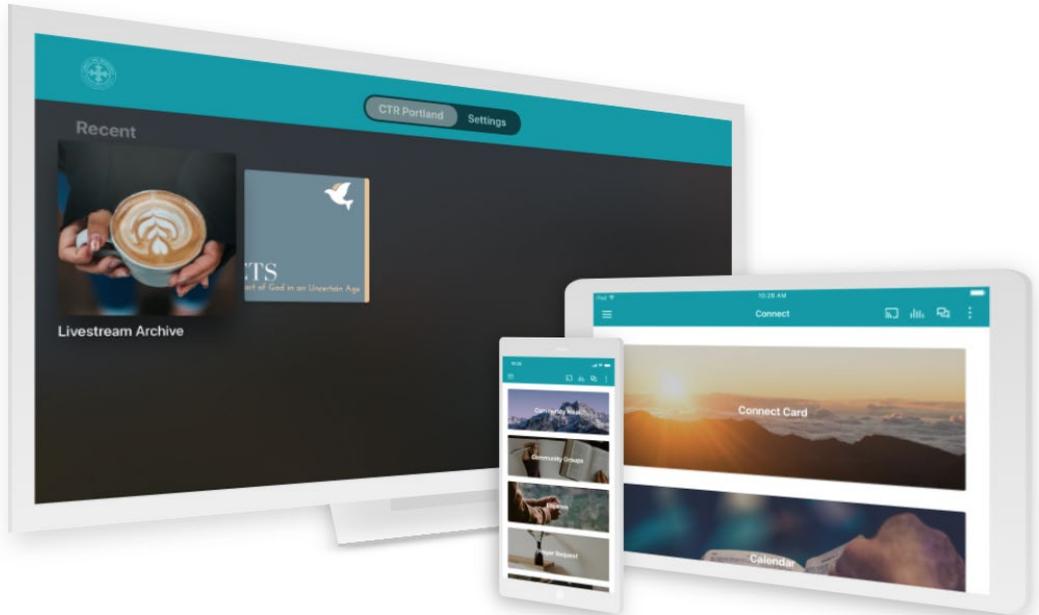
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CTR PRAYER CHAIN:

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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