



CHRIST
THE REDEEMER

-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 19, 2024

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 – 1st grade 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 love of God has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us;

[P] **we dwell in him and he in us.**

[L] Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name;

[P] **make known his deeds among the peoples,**

[L] Sing to him, sing praises to him,

[P] **and speak of all his marvelous works.**

[L] Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty,

[P] **who was and is and is to come!**

--based on Psalm 105:1-2, Romans 5:5, Revelation 4:8

SONG

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

GOD SANCTIFIES

[RENEWAL]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[All] **Gracious God, who pours out freely the gift of your Holy Spirit: we confess before you and to each other that we have failed to recognize this most precious gift. We have been satisfied with ordinary things, suspicious of unfamiliar things, and blind to spiritual things. Cleanse us, O God, with your celestial fire. Burn away our presumptuous self-sufficiency and open us in faith to receive the renewing touch of your hand. Amen.**

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] Since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

--Romans 5:1-2, 5

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

SONG

BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE

PENTECOST READING - ACTS 2:1-21

Amos Kazdi – *French*

Ben Lufuta – *French*

Odia Mwamba - *Lingala*

Hanna Miller - *German*

Emma Holloway - *Latin*

David Dyke - *Greek*

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.**

After the blessing each week, children aged 4 – 1st grade are welcome to go to Children's Church downstairs in Fellowship Hall. They will re-join their families after the sermon.

SONG

BE THOU MY VISION

G O D S P E A K S

[W O R D]

S C R I P T U R E

John 21:4, 9-22 ESV

Read by Cheryl Sullivan

⁴ Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus.

⁹ When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰ Jesus said to them, “Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.” ¹¹ So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹² Jesus said to them, “Come and have breakfast.” Now none of the disciples dared ask him, “Who are you?” They knew it was the Lord. ¹³ Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴ This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Jesus and Peter

¹⁵ When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Feed my lambs.” ¹⁶ He said to him a second time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” He said to him, “Tend my sheep.” ¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love me?” Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me?” and he said to him, “Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.” Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep. ¹⁸ Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.” ¹⁹ (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, “Follow me.”

Jesus and the Beloved Apostle

²⁰ Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them, the one who also had leaned back against him during the supper and had said, “Lord, who is it that is going to betray

you?”²¹ When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, “Lord, what about this man?”²² Jesus said to him, “If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!”

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

Isaiah 40:8

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

S e r m o n :

G R A C E , H U M I L I T Y A N D P R E S E N C E

Rev. Sean J.S. Roberts
Senior Pastor

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A #53

[L] What do you believe concerning “the Holy Spirit”?

[P] **First, that the Spirit, with the Father and the Son, is eternal God.**

Second, that the Spirit is given also to me, so that, through true faith, he makes me share in Christ and all his benefits, comforts me, and will remain with me forever.

ORDINATION AND INSTALLATION OF
RULING ELDERS AND DEACONS

Quincy Freeman, Elder

Matthew Reid, Elder

Daniel McKrell, Deacon

David Odenbach, Deacon

Explanation of Ordination

Rev. Roberts

Vows of Ordination

Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, as originally given, to be the inerrant Word of God, the only infallible rule of faith and practice?

Do you sincerely receive and adopt the Confession of Faith and the Catechisms of this Church, as containing the system of doctrine taught in the Holy Scriptures; and do you further promise that if at any time you find yourself out of accord with any of the fundamentals of this system of doctrine, you will, on your initiative, make known to your Session the change which has taken place in your views since the assumption of this ordination vow?

Do you approve of the form of government and discipline of the Presbyterian Church in America, in conformity with the general principles of biblical polity?

Do you accept the office of ruling elder or deacon in this church, and promise faithfully to perform all the duties thereof, and to endeavor by the grace of God to adorn the profession of the

Gospel in your life, and to set a worthy example before the Church of which God has made you an officer?

Do you promise subjection to your brethren in the Lord?

Do you promise to strive for the purity, peace, unity and edification of the Church?

Question to Members

Do you, the members of this Church, acknowledge and receive these brothers as ruling elders or deacons, and do you promise to yield them all the honor, encouragement and obedience in the Lord to which their office, according to the Word of God and the Constitution of this Church, entitles them?

Laying on of Hands and Prayer

Led by Elder Rick Hollen

Right Hand of Fellowship

Charge to the Officers

Charge to the Congregation

SONG

TRINITY SONG

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 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!*

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

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

S O N G
M A Y T H E M I N D O F C H R I S T M Y S A V I O R

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

ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST

BENEDICTION and SENDING

[L] Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you overflow with love and hope. Remember that the harvest of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The Spirit is our source of life. Let us therefore walk by the Spirit.

based on Romans 15:13, Galatians 5:22-23, 25

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

HIGHLIGHTS

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ON THE CALENDAR:

SUN, MAY 19

CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES – 9 AM

MON, MAY 20

WOMENS' BIBLE STUDY – 6 PM

@ the home of Laura Wiersma, 29 Lilac Lane, New Gloucester (GPS does not recognize this address so please use 54 N Pownal Road - that will get you to Lilac Lane). A light supper will be served.

FRI, MAY 24

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.

WED, MAY 29

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

For more info, please contact Claire Roberts [clerkus@gmail.com].

WED, JUN 19

MEN'S DROP-IN EVENT – 4:45 – 6:15 PM

Foundation Brewing, 1 Industrial Way, Suite 7, Portland

FRI, JUN 21

PORTLAND SEADOGS BASEBALL GAME – 6:10 PM

CTR has reserved **50** seats for this annual outing to Hadlock Field. Ticket price is \$10. To get one of the reserved tickets, please use this QR code. The purchase deadline is JUNE 7! Please contact Claire Roberts [[cell 956.270.2565](tel:956.270.2565)] with questions.



ON THE CALENDAR:

SUN, JUN 30

ORDINATION OF ALDEN GROVES – 10 AM

Our new Assistant Pastor, Alden Groves, will be ordained on this Sunday. Our guest preacher that day will be one of Alden's mentors and professors, Rev. Dr. Robert Edwards. Isaiah Groves will also be baptized during this service. Plan to join us on this very special day in the life of our church.

JUL 15-17

FCA POWER CAMP GREATER PORTLAND

We are excited to partner with the Southern Maine Chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes to bring a fun sports camp and the gospel to kids in Greater Portland!

Details:

Presumpscot Park, Portland

Sports Offered: Football, Soccer & Basketball

This camp is for ages 5-13.



REGISTER YOUR CHILDREN BY USING THIS QR CODE!

SUN, JUL 21

ANNUAL CTR SUMMER PICNIC – Save this date!!

Our annual picnic will be on site @ 97 Allen Avenue and will follow our Worship Service.

Help us Welcome the Groves Family to Maine!

We are deeply excited to soon welcome our new Assistant Pastor, Alden Groves, his wife, Taylor, and their two boys, Theo and Isaiah!

Please pray for God's mercy and rich blessing as they transition to living, working and worshipping with us.

Please visit the table at the back of the sanctuary to sign-up to help in a variety of ways - from providing a meal, to purchasing pantry items or local gift cards, to helping to unload their moving pod. There are opportunities for every ability and every person.



Thank you for your willingness to come together as a church family to bless and welcome the Groves.

If you will not be in attendance this Sunday or want to sign-up in advance, reach out to **Amanda McKrell** (716-479-0093 or amanda.mckrell@gmail.com) to ask about ways to contribute!

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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SPECIAL EVENTS.....Claire Roberts
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How Do I Get and Stay Connected at CTR?

At CTR we long for clear communication and deep bonds. We are excited that you're interested in being more connected and involved. The following is a list of our communication channels and their purpose in the life of our body:

1. EMAIL NEWSLETTER (*Keeping in Touch*)

This is the primary vehicle by which we communicate regarding the life of our church. Most weeks you will receive an email with announcements and upcoming events. From time to time, our elders will also use this vehicle for church-wide or members only correspondence. **NOTE:** *If you are not regularly checking your email from CTR, it will be difficult to feel and be connected in the life of our church.* [Use this QR code to sign up for the email.]



2. CTR APP & TEXT MESSAGES

The CTR App is designed to help those in our church interact with each other. It is largely crowd sourced and includes information on informal meetups, prayer requests, live and past sermons/services, different hobby groups, ways to give, etc. [See page 14 to download-the App.]

Text Messages are sent exclusively as reminders about events in the days/hours immediately beforehand.

3. SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday mornings employ several communication methods, including written **announcements in our Order of Worship**, verbally highlighted **announcements**, and (new) **projected announcements** running before and after the service. Sunday Morning announcements are focused on pointing people to events and ministries that help them explore or integrate more fully into the life of our church. Given the diverse backgrounds and circumstances of those attending Sunday Morning Worship, only on rare and exceptional occasions will these vehicles be used by leadership for information that is primarily member focused.

4. CTR WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

Both mediums are designed to be primarily outward facing.

The CTR Website [ctrportland.org] is designed to be our front door– a welcoming place for new people to discover and learn about our church. It is minimal in announcements and church life information.

Social Media [Instagram & Facebook] is used for promotion of church events. People are encouraged to “re-post” as a way of sharing with and inviting their friends. [@ctrportland]

If you would like to access or have had difficulty accessing any of these vehicles, please contact ctr@ctrportland.org. Our admin, Cheryl Sullivan, is happy to help you get integrated into our communication systems.



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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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