CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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"Moses the Abyssinian" (ca. 11th or 12th century)
A fresco depicting Moses at Deir Mar Musa al-Habashi
(translated: *The Monastery of Saint Moses the Abyssinian*),
a Syrian Catholic compound north of Damascus.

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July 30, 2023

The Order for Morning Worship

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

July 30, 2023 Ten-Thirty O'Clock

**At these moments, we invite you to stand in body or spirit*

Please silence all electronic devices prior to the service

Nursery is available as needed, please text/call 330-309-7794.
Children's church (age 3-5th grade) is available after the Children's sermon

Assemble in God's Name

Voluntary "Jesu" adapted from George Winston

Worship and Welcome Notes

Call to Worship

Leader: Blessed be God whose word gives hope and shapes our dreams, *Ps. 119:132, 133*

People: whose love has conquered death.

Leader: Blessed be God who orders our way and guides our steps,

People: who leads us into life.

***Hymn #634** "To God Be the Glory" To God Be the Glory

***Prayer of the Day**

Leader: God, you have given us a dream of your world made whole, a heavenly realm that is near in heart and close at hand, and it is ours to choose each day.

People: May our smallest acts of courtesy, when transformed by your love, grow abundantly into a realm of flourishing for all. Amen.

Call to Confession

If God is for us, who can be against us? *Rom. 8:27, 31*

Let us confess our sins to the One who searches us and knows us.

Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)

We confess that we have turned away from you and have not lived with upright hearts. *1 Kgs. 3:6; Ps. 119:132, 133*
Forgive us for failing to follow you.
Guide our feet to walk in your ways and serve your world to the glory of your name. Amen.

Kyrie: Hymn #577 Kyrie Eleison (Reindorf)

Kyrie eleison.

***Assurance of Pardon**

Your sins are forgiven; be at peace, for all things work together for good for those who love God. **Amen**! *Rom. 8:28*

***Gloria: Hymn #581** Gloria Patri (Greatorex)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, Amen.

Children are now invited to come forward.

Listen for God's Word Read and Proclaimed

Message for Children

Following the children's message, children ages 3 through 5th grade are invited to follow the teachers out the pulpit-side door for Kids' Church. They can be picked up in the lower level following the service.

Prayer for Illumination

God of Wisdom, the unfolding of your Word gives light *Ps. 119:130*
and provides counsel to all who seek your truth.
Open our minds and hearts by the presence of your Holy Spirit,
that the mystery of your heavenly realm is
made evident here on earth. **Amen**.

Hebrew Reading 1 Kings 3:5–12

"Seeking the Gift of Wisdom"

Leader: The Word of the Lord — Pew Bible pp. 266–67
People: Thanks be to God — Large Print Bible p. 379

Epistle Reading Romans 8:26–30

"Help in Our Weakness"

Leader: The Word of the Lord — Pew Bible p. 919
People: Thanks be to God — Large Print Bible p. 192

Psalm 105 G. Britt Cooper

Group 1: O give thanks to the Lord and call upon His name.
Group 2: Sing to God, sing praises to God.
Group 3: Seek the Lord.
Group 4: Glory in His holy name.

Gospel Reading Matthew 13:31–33, 44–52

"The Parable of the Mustard Seed"

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord — Pew Bible p. 795
People: Thanks be to God — Large Print Bible pp. 17–18

Sermon Rev. Dave de Vries

"Farmer Jesus, Out-Standing in His Field"
"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed
that someone took and sowed in his field..."

Our Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Apostles' Creed,* p. 35

Prayers of the People *and* the Lord's Prayer

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory Anthem "Simple Song" Leonard Bernstein

Sing God a simple song. Lauda laude.
Make it up as you go along. Lauda laude.
Sing like you like to sing. God loves all simple things.
For God is the simplest of all.
I will sing the Lord a new song, to praise Him,
to bless Him, to bless the Lord.
I will sing His praises while I live all of my days.
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord.
Blessed is the man who praises him.
Lauda, lauda, laude—and walks in His ways.
I will lift up my eyes to the hills from whence comes my help.
I will lift up my voice to the Lord, singing lauda laude.
For the Lord is my shade. He's the shade upon my right hand,
And the sun will not smite me by day nor the moon by night.
Blessed is the man who loves the Lord.

***Doxology: Hymn #606** Old Hundredth

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

Prayer of Dedication *(in unison)

We dedicate our lives to you this day
and seal that promise by way of this offering.
We give out of the abundance of our hearts,
that the treasure of your kingdom may be shared with many.
Thank you for giving us grateful hearts
and a spirit of generosity for the flourishing of your realm. Amen.

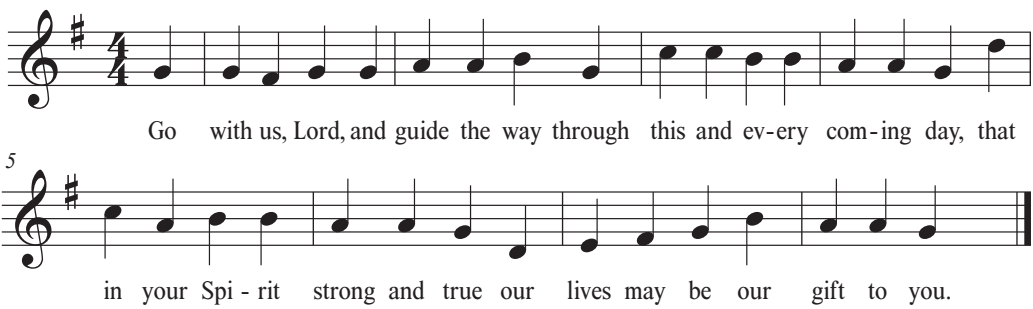
Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith

***Hymn #771** "What Is The World Like" New World

***Benediction**

Response: "Go With Us, Lord"



Daily Grace
CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
The Week of July 30, 2023

Using Sunday's Order of Worship, we enter into worship and prayer every day of the week. We worship together…separately.

The Call to Worship
The Prayer of Adoration (followed by silence)
The Prayer of Confession (followed by silence)
The Assurance of Pardon
Scripture Readings: Worship texts for August 6, 2023

Mon: Isaiah 55:1–5	Thurs: Matthew 14:13–21
Tues: Psalm 145:8–9, 14–21	Fri: Isaiah 55:1–5
Wed: Romans 9:1–5	Sat: Psalm 145:8–9, 14–21

Silent Meditation and Prayer (Listening for God's Voice in Scripture and Silence)
Prayers of the People (Lifting others before God)
Prayer of Dedication

Preparing for Sunday, August 6, 2023
Consider: The disciples were amazed at Jesus' feeding of the multitudes. How have you seen him make a way when there was no way?

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Activities for the Week of July 30, 2023

Sunday, July 30, 2023
8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Chapel)
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Monday
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (Parlor)

Tuesday
6:00 p.m. Special Session Meeting (Parlor)

Wednesday
8:00–9:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study (Zoom)

Sunday, August 6, 2023
8:30 a.m. Worship Service (Chapel)
10:30 a.m. Worship Service (Sanctuary)
1:00 p.m. Family Pool Party

The Food, Clothing, and Prayer Ministry is in desperate need of plastic grocery and shopping bags for patrons and would greatly appreciate donations

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