# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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# The Order for Morning Worship

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 6, 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** "Hyfrydol" Ralph Vaughan Williams

**Worship and Welcome Notes**

**Call to Worship**

Leader: Anyone who thirsts, come and drink! *Isa. 55:1–5*
**People: If you have no money but you're hungry,**
**come and receive wine and milk without a price tag.**
Leader: Why do you spend money on what does not nourish you?
**People: Why do you work for what does not nurture you?**
Leader: Listen, come and eat healthy food that will delight you.
**People: Come and partake in the Spirit that will give you life.**
Leader: Become a witness of God's free gift of grace to all people.
**People: They will come running to you because our Covenant God will raise you up, transform you, and make you shine!**

***Hymn #366** "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" Hyfrydol

***Prayer of the Day**

Leader: Generous God, the whole creation looks to you,
and you give them their food in due season. *Ps. 145:15*
**People: Open your hand to us, and satisfy us**
**with what we most deeply desire. Amen.** *Ps. 145:16*

**Call to Confession**

The promise of our faith is this: *Ps. 145:18*
for all who call out in truth, God is near.
Therefore let us honestly confess our sin.

**Prayer of Confession (*in unison*)**

**God of justice and mercy,**
**we admit that we are not always free of deceit.** *Ps. 17:1*
**We are fooled by the false promises of the world**
**into pursuing things that do not truly nourish us.** *Isa. 55:2*
**Hear our cry and save us, dear God,** *Ps. 145:19*
**in Jesus' name. Amen.**

**Kyrie: Hymn #551** Land of Rest

Lord, have mercy; Christ, have mercy; Lord, have mercy upon us.
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***Assurance of Pardon**

Leader: Here is good news for everyone:
God is gracious, merciful, abounding in steadfast love, *Ps. 145:8*
and gives us forgiveness and grace.
We do not have to earn it with sacrifice
because it is a free gift from a generous God! *Isa. 55:1*
**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

***Gloria: Hymn #583** Gloria (Taizé)

Glory to God, glory to God, glory in the highest!
Glory to God, glory to God, alleluia, alleluia!

*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**

Providing God,
by your Holy Spirit feed us with your Word, *Isa. 55:1*
that we might be filled with the bread of life. **Amen**. *Matt. 14:20*

**Hebrew Reading** Isaiah 55:1–5

*"An Invitation to Abundant Life"*

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 598
**People: Thanks be to God** Large Print Bible p. 838

**Epistle Reading** Romans 9:1–5

*"Paul's Longings for Israel"*

Leader: The Word of the Lord Pew Bible p. 920
**People: Thanks be to God** Large Print Bible p. 193

**Gospel Reading** Matthew 14:13–21

*"Feeding the Five Thousand"*

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord Pew Bible p. 796
**People: Thanks be to God** Large Print Bible p. 19

**Sermon** Rev. Ben George

"Scarcity in the Wilderness"

*"We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish."* (*Matt. 14:17*)

## Our Response to the Word

***Affirmation of Faith** *The Nicene Creed,* p. 34

**Holy Communion—See Insert**

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

**Invitation to the Offering**

**Offertory Anthem** "I Will Sing" Felix Mendelssohn
from *St. Paul*, Op. 36

I will sing of thy great mercies, O Lord,
of thy mercies, O Lord, my Savior,
I will sing of thy great mercies, O Lord,
and of thy faithfulness evermore.

***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*)**

**Loving and generous God,** *Ps. 145:15*
**you provide for us and**
**even bless us in more ways than we can number.**
**We give these tithes and offerings**
**to tell of your wondrous and steadfast love**
**so that those who do not yet know you**
**may also come to your love. Amen.** *Isa. 55:5*

## Re-entry into the World to Serve the Lord

**Being Christ's Church—Living Our Faith**

***Hymn #725** "O Jesus, I Have Promised" Nyland

***Benediction**

**Voluntary** "Allegro maestoso e vivace" Felix Mendessohn
from *Sonata, Op. 65, no. 2*

## Daily Grace
## CPC Rhythms of Worship and Discipleship
### *The Week of August 6, 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 12, 2023

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| Mon: 1 Kings 19:9–19 | Thurs: Matthew 14:22–33 |
| Tues: Psalm 85:8–13 | Fri: 1 Kings 19:9–19 |
| Wed: Romans 10:5–15 | Sat: Psalm 85:8–13 |

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 12, 2023**

**Consider:** After Jesus caught Peter in the water, was Jesus' question, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" a reproach? When we are facing a great difficulty, do we doubt God's power? Do we doubt ourselves? Can you recall other biblical stories, or a story from your own life, when God reached out to rescue or to overcome doubt and fear with the gift of increased faith?

The new communion banners were donated by Dr. Terrence and Dr. Beth Pansino in memory of his mother, Gloria Pansino

The Cathedral Hour today is made possible by the Louella Williams Endowment.

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# Activities for the Week of August 6, 2023

**Sunday, August 6, 2023**

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| 8:30 a.m. | Worship Service (Chapel) |
| 10:30 a.m. | Worship Service (Sanctuary) |
| 1:00 p.m. | Family Pool Party |

**Monday**

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

**Tuesday**

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| 7:00 p.m. | Mission Ministry (Parlor) |

**Wednesday**

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| 8:00–9:00 a.m. | Men's Bible Study (Zoom) |
| 8:00 a.m. | Food and Clothing Ministry (Westminster Hall) |
| 1:30 p.m. | Faithful Friends Small Group (Parlor) |
| 3:30 p.m. | Worship Ministry (Parlor) |
| 6:30 p.m. | Stephen Ministry (Zoom) |

**Friday**

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| 12:00 p.m. | Personnel Meeting (Zoom) |

**Saturday**

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| 7:30 a.m. | Food Ministry Breakfast (Westminster Hall) |

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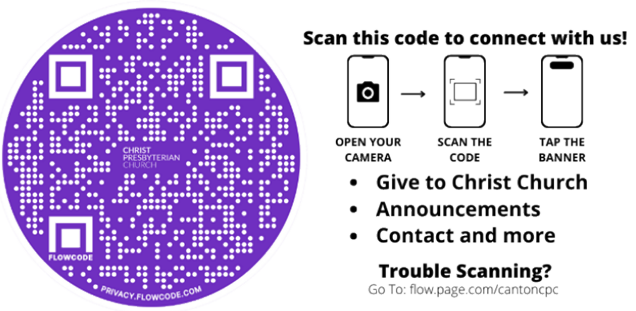
| 10:30 a.m. | Worship Service (Sanctuary) |

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



## The Great Thanksgiving

*The bread used for Holy Communion*
*is free of nuts, gluten, egg, dairy, and preservatives*

***Invitation to the Lord's Table**

***Hymn #509** "All Who Hunger, Gather Gladly" Holy Manna

***The Great Thanksgiving**

Leader: God is here.
**People: God's Spirit is with us.**
Leader: Lift up your hearts.
**People: We lift them up to God.**
Leader: Let us give thanks to God.
**People: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**
Leader: We give thanks to you, creating God,
breath of all being;
the earth is yours and all that is in it,
and all who dwell therein.
You founded it upon the seas
and made it firm upon the deep.
You planted seeds in fertile ground,
to rise and sing your praise.
**People: Glory to you forever.**
Leader: You formed us from the earth
and planted goodness in our souls,
that we might love like you.
You called us to live your law of harmony
and to long for your commands.
**People: Yet, when our disordered cravings bowed down our spirit,**
**you did not leave us low,**
**but bent down to meet us and grow us up again.**
Leader: Therefore we lift our voices in thanksgiving,
for you have wondrously made us.
By water and your life-giving Spirit,
you have more wondrously remade us
to join the song of all creation
and forever sing your praise:

**Sanctus: Hymn #552** Land of Rest

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,**
**heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.**
**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**
**Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.**

Leader: We give you thanks, O God,
that you sowed your Word in Jesus,
to grow your kingdom here on earth
and draw us ever near.
Jesus planted mercy wherever he went,
to reap a greater righteousness.
He shared bread with outcasts and sinners
and healed the brokenhearted.
**People: Glory to you forever.**

Leader: We thank you that on the night before he died for us
Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, gave to his friends, and said,
Take, eat, this is my body, broken for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
After supper Jesus took the cup, said the blessing,
gave it to his friends, and said,
Drink this, all of you:
this cup is the new covenant in my blood,
poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

**People: Remembering his dying and rising,**
**we offer you this bread and cup,**
**and ourselves in grateful service.**

Leader: Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts
and all your people today.
Breathe your Spirit over all creation
that together we may cultivate peace
in every corner of the world.
Then bring us to that blessed mountain
where with the meek and pure in heart
we will live forever in blessedness
as we taste the fruits of heaven.

**People: Through Christ, with Christ, in Christ,**
**by the inspiration of your Life-giving Spirit,**
**we worship you, Creating God,**
**in songs of endless praise.**
**Blessed are you, now and forever. Amen.**

**Music during Communion**

Improvisation on "O Jesus, I Have Promised" John Schwandt