CHRIST CHURCH PRESBYTERIAN

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Jesus Christ is My Lord and Savior



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Christ Church Presbyterian 7th Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2019 9:30 A.M.

Called to love, serve and witness.

Thought as we enter worship Be kind whenever possible. It is always possible.—Anon.

GATHFRING

Quiet meditation time (Please fill out a blue or pink card with any prayer requests and put it in the collection plate.) – Thanks

PRELUDE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Today we come to worship our God for he delivered us from the power of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of the Son he loves,

In Jesus Christ we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation,

For all things in heaven and on earth were created by him– all things, whether visible or invisible, whether thrones or dominions, whether principalities or powers– all things were created through him and for him.

Jesus Christ himself is before all things and all things are held together in him.

He is the head of the body, the church, as well as the beginning, the firstborn from among the dead, so that he himself may become first in all things.

For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in the Son and through him to reconcile all things to himself by making peace through his death on his cross—through him, whether things on earth or things in heaven.

To the one who loves us and has set us free from our sins appointing us as a kingdom and as priests serving his God and Father– to him be the glory and the power for ever and ever!

-- Based on Col 1:13-20, Rev. 1:5-6

*INVOCATION (Opening Prayer)

O Lord Jesus, you come to us in love, taking all that is broken and making it whole again. Your grace is immense and unmeasurable, your mercy incredible. Therefore we proclaim before everyone that you are Lord of all and our Lord. You are the savior of the world and you are our savior. Because of

this and so much more, we declare by word and deed that you are the Lord God of us and our world. **Amen.**

*HYMN BLUE #481 "Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show"

*CALL TO CONFESSION

Jesus comes to us with grace and truth.

He tells us the truth about ourselves – that we all do things that hurt God and others.

The grace is that even when we couldn't help ourselves, Jesus came to save us.

That's why we confess our sins because we can trust in God's mercy and love.

*CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

O Jesus.

Forgive my sins.

Forgive the sins that I can remember, and also the sins I have forgotten.

Forgive the wrong actions I have committed, and the right actions I have omitted.

Forgive the times I have been weak in the face of temptation, and those when I have been stubborn in the face of correction.

Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements, and those when I have failed to boast of your works.

Forgive the harsh judgements I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown to myself.

Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided.

Forgive me the pain I have caused others, and the indulgence I have shown to myself.

Jesus have pity on me, and make me whole.

Hear the Good News. Our God who is rich in mercy, love and grace restores us to new life. In Christ we are made new, we are children of God. Rejoice in God's goodness and grace.

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Thanks be to God. Amen.

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

May the peace, love and grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

And also with you.

Let us greet one another in the name of the Lord.

* INSERT "Speak O Lord" (Vs. 2 and 3 only)

THE PEOPLE OF GOD HEAR THE WORD

CHILDREN'S SERMON

Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my dear friends, as you have always obeyed-- not only in my presence, but now much more in my absence-- continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.

MESSAGE "Jesus Christ is My Lord and Savior"

THE PEOPLE OF GOD RESPOND

THE OFFERING

*LIFTING PRAISE TO GOD – HYMN #593 "The Doxology"

*Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God, as your children, you've called us to be a part of your work in the world. We now give you a token of our commitment to you, asking that you will use it and us to bring light to darkness and joy to sorrow. Amen.

*HYMN INSERT "The Power of the Cross"

The Great Thanksgiving:

The Lord is with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts in praise and adoration.

We praise our God for his love and grace.

O God, our ancestors in their pride and foolishness chose to ignore your commands, bringing death and despair upon all humanity. Yet despite our rebellion, you came into this world to redeem those

oppressed by despair, to bring freedom to the captives of sin, and to establish justice for the exploited.

But when you came, O Lord, you deemed it insufficient to become human and live amongst us. You were born into poverty, lived with the marginalized, and suffered the indignities of the rejected - sharing human suffering. You came into darkness as the light of the world, bringing truth and grace to our condition.

Let us praise you for your great salvation. Your plan, formed before you created the world, has now been revealed. Let us sing a song of hallelujah of praise to the most High, The Messiah of Judah, without ceasing.

Let us praise from joy, the truth is that there is a Redeemer, a Savior who is born to us - Christ, the King - Jesus, who comes before day to create a new day.

Born in darkness to bring light in Bethlehem without being hidden.

There is a Redeemer at the dawning of the day, a new and happy day!

Our redeemer, and our healer, beneath the scourge of his own people, suffered humiliation and pain for our redemption. He wore the weavings of spiky thorn into a merciless crown so that we could be shown mercy.

His trials were ungracious, his rights trampled so that grace could grant us the right to become children of God. There is a Redeemer at the dawning of the day, a new and happy day!

Words of Institution:

... we proclaim his death until he comes again in glory.

Here is love, wide as the ocean, mercies, boundless like the sea! Here the Prince of life in anguish dying – dying thus to set us free. Who His love can but remember? Who His Name can but adore?

Ne'er such love can be forgotten while heaven lasts for evermore.

There is a Redeemer at the dawning of the day, O new and happy day!

So on this new day, let us make use of our privileges, for they are bought at a immense cost. Before the day of death, let us escape; today is a day of reconciliation, and supper is ready, the table is set, O let us hurry.

The hands that bore nails, receives prodigal children to make them his very own, to come and feast at his bountiful table – there to feast eternally,

Amen, Amen, Let there be praise for ever, Amen

Hallelujah to the Messiah who forgives forever, who by his death brings about a new and happy day. Amen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The Lord's Prayer: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy 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 thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

THE SERVING OF THE ELEMENTS:

Communion is by Intinction. Please come forward to receive the elements, coming down the center aisle and returning to your seat along the outside aisles. We will have separate cups available if for any reason you are unable to dip the bread in the common cup.

CLOSING PRAYER

RECOGNITIONS CHOIR ANTHEM

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING: (Tim Dohrmann)

SENDING OUT IN SERVICE

*CLOSING HYMN INSERT "In Christ Alone"

*CHARGE TO THE PEOPLE

*BENEDICTION

*BENEDICTION RESPONSE "Rhys" (All verses, vs. 4 a cappella)

*POSTLUDE

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*Please rise in body and/or spirit as you are able.

ⁱ This line references Jesus' resurrection at the dawn of a new day, reminding us that Jesus' resurrection creates a new 'day', a new way of being.