

Prelude and Silent Prayer

The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear Him, and His righteousness to children's children, to such as keep His covenant, and to those who remember His commandments to do them. Psalm 103:17-18

To prepare for worship, please be seated when the prelude begins.

* Denotes congregation standing.

** Denotes congregation standing, and lifting of hands.

***God Calls His People to Worship** Psalm 117

Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples! For His merciful kindness is great toward us and the truth of the Lord endures forever. AMEN

God's People Respond to His Call to Worship

(Hymn 660)

O God beyond all praising, we worship You today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
For we can only wonder at every gift You send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end;
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word,
We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King;
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise. AMEN

***Responsive Reading:** Psalm 145:10-21

Leader: All Your works shall praise You, O LORD, and Your saints shall bless You. They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom, and talk of Your power, to make known to the sons of men His mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of His kingdom. Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

Congregation: The LORD upholds all who fall, and raises up all who are bowed down. The eyes of all look expectantly to You, and You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand and satisfy the desire of every living thing.

Leader: The LORD is righteous in all His ways, gracious in all His works. The LORD is near to all who call upon Him,

Congregation: He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them. The LORD preserves all who love Him, but all the wicked He will destroy. My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh shall bless His holy name forever and ever. AMEN

*Psalm 145A

Book of Psalms for Singing

God Calls His People to Repentance: Ephesians 5:25b-27

..Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. AMEN

God's People Respond By Confessing Their Sins

Silent Confession followed by Corporate Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Congregation: Lord Jesus, we sin.

Grant that we may never cease grieving because of it,

Never be content with self,

Never think we can reach a point of perfection.

Kill our envy, command our tongues,

Trample down self.

Give us grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable,

To live for Thee and not for self,

To copy Thy words, acts, spirit,

To be transformed into Thy likeness,

To be consecrated wholly to Thee,

To live entirely to Thy glory

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN

God Assures His People of their Forgiveness

1 Corinthians 15:19-22 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable. But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. AMEN

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

***God's People Respond with Praise for the Forgiveness of Sins**

*Take My Life, and Let It Be

Hymn 585

God's People Confess Their Faith: The Scots Confession, ch. 1

We confess and acknowledge one God alone, to Whom alone we must cleave, Whom alone we must serve, Whom only we must worship, and in Whom alone we put our trust. Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable, incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible; one in substance and yet distinct in three persons, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost. By Whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth, visible and invisible to have been created, to be retained in their being, and to be ruled and guided by His inscrutable providence for such end as His eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed, and to the manifestation of His own glory. AMEN

God Calls His People to Cast Their Cares upon Him

1 Timothy 2:1-2, 5 Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus. AMEN

God's People Respond by Bringing Their Petitions

Prayer of Intercession followed by *The Lord's Prayer*

God's People Worship by Bringing Their Tithes and Offerings

Offertory, followed by **The Doxology

God Speaks to His People through His Word

*The Reading of the Scriptures:

Daniel 11:32-35

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon:

“Preppers or Transformers”

*O God, to Us Show Mercy

Hymn 437

God Communes with His People

Leader: God is good!

Congregation: All the time!

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Let us pray.

Corporate Prayer of Thanksgiving

Congregation: O Lord our God, thank you for lifting our heads, raising us up, and seating us at this your table as royal sons and daughters of your kingdom. Thank you for the grace that is given here. Thank you for this reminder of our redemption, this food for our faith, and this hope for our future. Fix our eyes on the One who invites us here and gives Himself to us that we may feed on and with Him. May we eat this bread with joy and drink this wine with a merry heart knowing that God has already accepted our works. May we taste and see that the Lord is good. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*Onward, Christian Soldiers

Hymn 572

God Commissions His People

Micah 6:8

Leader: He has shown you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God? AMEN

****Benediction**

***Congregational Response**

Gloria Patri (735)

Opportunities for Fellowship and Service

- Men's Meeting at 6:30pm on Wednesday, August 19 – RSVP to Daniel Ferrill by Monday, August 17.

To our guests: We are delighted that you have joined us for our covenant renewal worship! Our liturgy begins with God calling His people into His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise (Ps. 100:4). As we draw nearer to God, we confess our sins together and receive cleansing in the blood of Jesus (Eph. 2:11-14). Clothed in the covering of His righteousness, we proclaim our faith and offer our prayers as incense before the throne of God (Rev. 5:8). After hearing the Word of the Lord and its exhortation, we are consecrated to approach the throne of grace, commune with the Lamb of God, and renew our covenant with the Lord of glory at His table (Heb. 4:14-16). Finally, God sends us out into the world with His lessons to extend Jesus' kingdom on earth (John 17:17-18; Matt. 28:18-20).

All those baptized into Jesus Christ are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper as a means of renewing our faith and our vows of covenant love and fidelity with Christ, who is with us by His Spirit, and with the church, which is His Body. We serve both wine and grape juice for communion. If you have a preference, please inform the elder who is distributing the elements.

Morning worship is at **9:30 AM**, followed by coffee & fellowship. Men's Bible Study and Ladies' Meetings are held regularly; please ask for details.

For more information please check out our website at:
www.ChristChurchBranchCove.org

Elders: Keith Diamond and Ted Phillips
Deacons: Christopher Diamond, Daniel Ferrill, Chris King, John LaBreche, and Alan Marsh

| Sunday Service Teams | Officer | Partner Families |
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| August | D. Ferrill | McCoy, Reese |
| September | A. Marsh | Brodock, J. Phillips |
| October | C. King | T. Phillips, Wheeler |
| November | C. Diamond | K. Diamond, D. Phillips |
| December | J. LaBreche | Crawford, Vest, Randall |

Sermon Notes

Christ Church

**Worshiping Christ and equipping God's people
to extend His Lordship
down through our generations
and out into the world.**

**The Lord's Day
Covenant Renewal Service
August 16, 2015**