

### **Prelude and Silent Prayer**

One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts. I will meditate on the glorious splendor of Your majesty, and on Your wondrous works. Men shall speak of the might of Your awesome acts, and I will declare Your greatness. They shall utter the memory of Your great goodness and shall sing of Your righteousness. –Psalm 145:4-7

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 96:1-4a

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, bless His name; proclaim good tidings of His salvation from day to day. Tell of His glory among the nations, His wonderful deeds among all the peoples. For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised. AMEN

### **God’s People Respond to His Call to Worship**

(Hymn 100)

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee  
Perfect in pow’r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!  
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity! AMEN

\* **Responsive Reading:** Psalm 9:7-11

**Leader:** The Lord reigns forever; He has established His throne for judgment.

**Congregation:** He will judge the world in righteousness; He will govern the peoples with justice.

**Leader:** The Lord is a refuge for the oppressed, a stronghold in times of trouble.

**Congregation:** Those who know Your name will trust in You, for You, Lord, have never forsaken those who seek You.

**Leader:** Sing praises to the Lord, enthroned in Zion;

**Congregation:** Proclaim among the nations what He has done. AMEN

\***Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken** Hymn 345

### **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:** Almighty and most merciful Father,  
We have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.

We confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word and deed,

By what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved You with our whole heart;

We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.

For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,

Have mercy on us and forgive us;

That we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways,

To the glory of Your Name. 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**

\***Rejoice, the Lord Is King**

Hymn 310

### **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: 2 Corinthians 5:9-21

**Leader:** The Word of the Lord.

**Congregation:** Thanks be to God!

The Sermon: “Transforming Culture”

\***Lift High the Cross**

Hymn 263

### **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:** It is truly appropriate and right that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty everlasting God. But it is especially fitting that we should now, gathered around this Table, thank You for Your gracious covenant promises to us in Christ. Remember, Father, our Lord’s humble birth, His holy life, His innocent sufferings and death, and His resurrection and ascension for us. Faithfully keep Your covenant with us for Jesus’ sake and come now to nourish and equip us for service in Your kingdom. By Your Spirit make the body and blood of our Lord life-giving nourishment for Your people; in Jesus’ name we pray. AMEN

The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

\***How Sweet and Awesome Is the Place**

Hymn 469

### **God Commissions His People**

Philippians 1:9-11

And this I pray, that your love may abound still more and more in knowledge and all discernment, that you may approve the things that are excellent, that you may be sincere and without offense till the day of Christ, being filled with the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God. AMEN

\***Benediction**

**Congregational Response**

((Hymn 737)

**Christ, We Do All Adore Thee**

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**Opportunities for Fellowship and Service**

- Chalcedon 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner on Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>
- Financial Peace University, beginning March 12<sup>th</sup>
- Ladies Meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, in the Fellowship Hall, RSVP to Phyllis Diamond

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**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](http://www.ChristChurchBranchCove.org)

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

<i>Sunday Service Teams</i>	<i>Officer</i>	<i>Partner Families</i>
<i>February</i>	<i>J. LaBreche</i>	<i>Crawford, Vest, Anderson, Randall</i>
<i>March</i>	<i>D. Ferrill</i>	<i>McCoy, Porter, Reese</i>
<i>April</i>	<i>A. Marsh</i>	<i>Taylor, White, Brodock, J. Phillips</i>
<i>May</i>	<i>C. King</i>	<i>T. Phillips, Wheeler</i>
<i>June</i>	<i>C. Diamond</i>	<i>K. Diamond, Stephens, D. Phillips</i>

***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  
February 15, 2015***