

Prelude and Silent Prayer

By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name. Hebrews 13:15

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

** Denotes congregation standing.*

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***God Calls His People to Worship:** *Psalm 118:21-24*

I will praise You, for You have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This was the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day the Lord has made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. AMEN

The Glorious Declaration

Leader: Christ is risen!

Congregation: *He is risen indeed!*

Leader: *Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"*

Congregation: *I know that my redeemer lives, and at the last He will stand upon the earth.*

Leader: Christ is risen!

Congregation: *He is risen indeed! AMEN*

God's People Respond to His Call to Worship

(Hymn 101)

*Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing;
Help us to praise, Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.*

*Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword,
Our prayer attend, come, and thy people bless
And give thy Word success, Spirit of holiness, on us descend.*

*Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.*

*To the great One in Three, eternal praises be,
Hence evermore, His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore. AMEN*

***Responsive Reading:** *I Corinthians 15:20-28*

Leader: *But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.*

Congregation: *For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming. Then comes the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power.*

Leader: *For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be destroyed is death. For "He has put all things under His feet." But when He says "all things are put under Him," it is evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted.*

Congregation: *Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all. AMEN*

***Christ Jesus Lay in Death's Strong Bands Hymn 279**

God Calls His People to Repentance: *Micah 6:1-2*

Hear now what the Lord says: "Arise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, O you mountains, the Lord's complaint, and you strong foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a complaint against His people.... 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

Micah 7:18-19 Who is a God like You, pardoning iniquity and passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, because He delights in mercy. He will again have compassion on us, and will subdue our iniquities. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. AMEN

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

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

***Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder Hymn 172**

***God's People Confess Their Faith:** *the Heidelberg Catechism*

Leader: *Q45: What doth the resurrection of Christ profit us?*

Congregation: *First, by His resurrection He has overcome death, that He might make us partakers of that righteousness which He had purchased for us by His death; secondly, we are also by His power raised up to a new life; and lastly, the resurrection of Christ is a sure pledge of our blessed resurrection. AMEN*

God Calls His People to Cast Their Cares upon Him

1 Peter 5:5b-7 God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

Therefore humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you in due time, casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you. 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: *John 20:1-18*

Leader: The Word of the Lord.

Congregation: *Thanks be to God!*

The Sermon: **"He Calls Us by Name"**

***Thine Be the Glory Hymn 274**

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: *Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before He suffered, did institute the Sacrament of His Body and Blood; mercifully grant that we may thankfully receive the same in remembrance of Him, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of life eternal; Your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who now lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. AMEN*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

***O the Deep, Deep, Love of Jesus Hymn 535**

God Commissions His People *I Thessalonians 3:12-13:*

And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love to one another and to all, just as we do to you, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all His saints. AMEN

****Benediction**

*Congregational Response (Hymn 737)
Christ, We Do All Adore Thee*

Opportunities for Fellowship and Service

- *Special collection for persecuted Christians – April 5 & 12*
- *Financial Peace University – Starting week of April 13*

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*

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<i>Sunday Service Teams</i>	<i>Officer</i>	<i>Partner Families</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>
<i>July</i>	<i>J. LaBreche</i>	<i>Crawford, Vest, Anderson, Randall</i>
<i>August</i>	<i>D. Ferrill</i>	<i>McCoy, Reese</i>

Sermon Notes

Christ Church

***Worshipping 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
April 12, 2015***