

Prelude and Silent Prayer

“A child's cry touches a father's heart, and our King is the Father of his people. If we can do no more than cry it will bring omnipotence to our aid. A cry is the native language of a spiritually needy soul; it has done with fine phrases and long orations, and it takes to sobs and moans; and so, indeed, it grasps the most potent of all weapons, for heaven always yields to such artillery.” -Charles Spurgeon

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 96:1-4*

Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day. Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples. For the Lord is great and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods. AMEN

*** God's People Respond to His Call to Worship** *(Hymn 302)*

*Come, Christians, join to sing Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Loud praise to Christ our King; Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice;
Praise is his gracious choice. Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!*

*Come, lift your hearts on high, Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Let praises fill the sky; Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
He is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;
His love shall never end. Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!*

*Praise yet our Christ again, Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
Life shall not end the strain; Al-le-lu-ia! A-men!
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, Al-le-lu-ia! A-men! AMEN*

*** Responsive Reading: Psalm 148**

Leader: Praise the LORD. Praise the LORD from the heavens; praise Him in the heights! Praise Him, all His angels; praise Him, all His hosts!

Congregation: Praise Him, sun and moon; praise Him all you stars of light! Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, and you waters above the heavens! Let them praise the name of the LORD, for He commanded and they were created.

Leader: He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away. Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all the depths; fire and hail, snow and clouds; stormy winds fulfilling His word; mountains and all hills; fruitful trees and all cedars;

Congregation: Beasts and all cattle; creeping things and flying fowl; kings of the earth and all peoples; princes and all judges of the earth; both young men and maidens; old men and children.

Leader: Let them praise the name of the LORD, for His name alone is exalted; His glory is above the earth and heaven.

Congregation: And He has exalted the horn of His people, the praise of all His saints – of the children of Israel, a people near to Him. Praise the LORD. AMEN

*** Book of Psalms for Singing** *Psalm 148*

God Calls His People to Repentance *Psalm 90:7-8*

*For we have been consumed by Your anger,
And by Your wrath we are terrified.
You have set our iniquities before You,
Our secret sins in the light of Your countenance. 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: O most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ;
Who pardons all such as truly repent and turn to You;
We humbly confess our sins, and implore Your mercy.
We have not loved You with a pure heart fervently;
Neither have we loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We have not done justly, nor loved mercy,
Nor walked humbly with You, our God.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord,
According to Your loving-kindness;
According to the multitude of Your tender mercies,
Blot out our iniquity.
Create in us a clean heart, O God;
And renew a right spirit within us.
Cast us not away from Your presence,
And take not Your Holy Spirit from us.
Restore unto us the joy of Your salvation,
And uphold us with your free Spirit.
In Jesus' name. AMEN*

God Assures His People of Their Forgiveness

*Psalm 32:1-2,5: Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven,
Whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man to whom the Lord does not impute iniquity,
And in whose spirit there is no deceit.
I acknowledged my sin to You,
And my iniquity I have not hidden.
I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. AMEN*

Leader: Our sins are forgiven!

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

God's People Respond with Praise for Forgiveness

** It Is Well with My Soul Hymn 691*

God's People Confess Their Faith

** The Apostles' Creed Trinity Hymnal Page 845*

God Calls His People to Cast Their Cares upon Him

Philippians 4:6-7: Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through 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 Tithes & Offerings

*Offertory, followed by ** The Doxology*

God Speaks to His People through His Word

** The Reading of the Scriptures Nehemiah 4*

*Leader: The Word of the Lord.
Congregation: Thanks be to God!*

The Sermon: "Sword & Stone: A Father's Role in Kingdom Building"

** For All the Saints Hymn 358*

God Communes with His People

*Elder: God is good!
Congregation: All the time!
Elder: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. Let us pray.*

Corporate Prayer of Thanksgiving

*O Lord, and heavenly Father,
According to the institution of your dearly beloved Son,
Our Savior Jesus Christ,
We, your humble servants,
Do celebrate and make here before your Divine Majesty,
With these your holy gifts,
Which we now offer unto You,
The memorial your Son has commanded us to make;
Having in remembrance His blessed passion and precious death,
His mighty resurrection and glorious ascension;
Rendering unto You most hearty thanks
For the innumerable benefits procured unto us by the same. AMEN*

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

*** Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder**

Hymn 172

God Commissions His People

1 Timothy 1:17

Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. AMEN

**** Benediction**

*** Congregational Response**

Hymn 733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! AMEN

Opportunities for Fellowship and Service:

- **Fellowship Meal – Today!**

- **Financial Peace University – Wednesday, June 24, 6:30pm**

- **Mens' Fellowship – Saturday, June 27, 7:00pm at the Kings**

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.

Sunday Service Teams

Officer

Partner Families

June

C. Diamond

K. Diamond, Stephens, D. Phillips

July

J. LaBreche

Crawford, Vest, Anderson, Randall

August

D. Ferrill

McCoy, Reese

September

A. Marsh

Brodock, J. Phillips

October

C. King

T. Phillips, Wheeler

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
June 21, 2015**

For more information please visit our website at:

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Elders: Keith Diamond and Ted Phillips

Deacons: Christopher Diamond, Daniel Ferrill,

Chris King, John LaBreche, and Alan Marsh