

## *Announcements*

### Friday Nights Out—Begins this Week, July 15th

Friday Nights Out is a new summer program for parents and kids. Children enjoy an hour and a half of teaching and fellowship from 6:30-8:00PM while parents are encouraged to take time out to reconnect with one another over a meal or a walk around the town. Fill out a FNO registration card, Emergency Treatment Form and pick up a take-home packet at the table by the children's area today.

### Walk For Life—July 23rd

Life Network/Network Medical is sponsoring a Walk For Life on Saturday, July 23rd from 9–11AM at Chase Palm Park. Interested in participating or sponsoring a walker? Pick up a registration form on the back table.

Life Network's mission is to erase the need for abortion through effectively serving pregnant and at risk women. Their unique ministry in the Santa Barbara community has been helping men and women with unplanned pregnancies for over 25 years. By reaching out with love in tangible ways, hundreds of babies are alive, and their mothers are free from the possible trauma of abortion.

## Service of Worship July 10th, 2011 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

A word about our worship: We believe that in worship we actually meet with God. Therefore, our services are interactive and dynamic, retelling the gospel through a five-act drama: Approach, Renewal, (re)Commitment, Communion, and Commissioning. In this drama, we all have a part. In each act, we are placed in dialogue with God himself: He speaks and we respond. In our liturgy (script), you will find your lines designated in **bold**.

### **PREPARATION AND REFLECTION**

One of the hardest things in marriage is the feeling of being watched. It is the constant surveillance that can get to one, that can wear one down like a bright light shining in the eyes, and that leads inevitably to the crumbling of all defenses, all facades, all the customary shames and masquerades of the personality... So it can be hard to be watched, to have one's whole life put under surveillance, and for the person who does not want to be spied upon it makes scant difference whether the watcher be love or something more sinister. What is hard is the watchfulness. For we are opaque, solid creatures; we are not built to be transparent. And yet that is what love asks for: transparency. " —Mike Mason

## ACT 1: APPROACH

### SONG OF ASCENT:

#### *O Worship the King*

Words: Robert Grant; Music: Johann Haydn (Chorus by: Chris Tomlin)

O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing his wonderful love;  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

Your bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light;  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

*Chorus*        You alone are the matchless King,  
                  To you alone be all majesty,  
                  Your glories and wonders, what tongue can recite?  
                  You breathe in the air, you shine in the light.

Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our maker, defender, redeemer, and friend.

O measureless might! Ineffable love!  
While angels delight to worship above,  
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,  
With true adoration shall all sing your praise.

#### *Chorus*

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## ACT 5: COMMISSIONING

### *Everlasting God*

Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord,  
Wait upon the Lord.  
We will wait upon the Lord. (2x)

*Bridge*        Our God, you reign forever;  
                  Our hope, our strong deliv'rer.

*Chorus*        You are the everlasting God,  
                  The everlasting God.  
                  You do not faint,  
                  You won't grow weary,  
                  You're the defender of the weak,  
                  You comfort those in need,  
                  You lift us up on wings like eagles.

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**BENEDICTION:** *God sends us out in His power.*

## ACT 4: COMMUNION

### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: *God invites us to a meal.*

- ❖ Christ Presbyterian Church welcomes all baptized Christians who are willing to forsake their sin, trust in Jesus Christ for salvation, and who are members of congregations that proclaim the gospel, to receive the Holy Communion with us.
- ❖ If you are not sure if you should take Communion, or if you have come to believe in Jesus today, you are encouraged to meet with one of the elders who will be at the front of the sanctuary following the service.
- ❖ If you are not able to receive Communion, please use the prayers below as a guide.

### INVITATION AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

**Hallelujah, let us keep the feast.**

The Spirit and the Bride say, "Come." Let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires come and take the water of life without price. Come! The gifts of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

### RECEIVING THE ELEMENTS

- ❖ Please hold the elements until we can all partake together. (For those with diet restrictions gluten-free bread is offered).

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

#### Prayer for those searching for truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

#### Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may I turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

#### Prayer of commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

### Act 1: Approach

### CALL TO WORSHIP: *God summons us.*

*From Revelation 19:5-7*

Praise God all you his servants!

**Hallelujah, for the Lord God Almighty reigns!**

Rejoice and give him glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready!

### *Agnus Dei*

Words and Music: Michael W. Smith

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**For our Lord God Almighty reigns.**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**For our Lord God Almighty reigns.**

**Alleluia!**

*Chorus*

**Holy, holy are you Lord God Almighty;**

**Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.**

**You are holy.**

**Holy are you Lord God Almighty.**

**Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb.**

**You are holy.**

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**Majestic**

Words and Music: Lincoln Brewster

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. (2x)

**Chorus**           The heavens declare your greatness,  
The oceans cry out to you,  
The mountains, they bow down before you.  
So I'll join with the earth and I'll give my praise to you.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. (2x)

**Chorus (2x)**

**Bridge**            I will worship you, (4x)  
We will worship you. (2x)

**INVOCATION:** *We ask God to meet us.*

**CONFESSION OF FAITH: We commit our allegiance.**

*From Isaiah 54:5, Deuteronomy 6:4–6, Romans 10:5–14, Revelation 19:1–7, 22:17.*

Your Maker is your husband, the Lord of hosts is his name; and the Holy One of Israel is your Redeemer.

**The Lord our God, the Lord is one.**

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

**These words shall be on our heart.**

But the righteousness that is by faith says: 'The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart.' Christian, what do you confess with your mouth?

**Jesus is Lord!**

And what do believe in your heart?

**God raised him from the dead!**

This is the promise of God: 'Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

**"Hallelujah! Salvation and glory and power belong to our God, for true and just are his judgments. He has condemned the great prostitute who corrupted the earth by her adulteries. He has avenged on her the blood of his servants."**

Hallelujah! Then a voice came from the throne, saying: "Praise our God, all you his servants, you who fear him, both small and great!"

**Hallelujah, for our Lord God Almighty reigns!**

Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! For the wedding of the Lamb has come, and his bride has made herself ready. Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.

***Fairest Lord Jesus***

Words: Joseph A. Seiss; Music: *Schlesische Volkslieder*

**Fairest Lord Jesus, ruler of all nature,  
O thou of God and man the Son;  
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor;  
Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown.**

**Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands,  
Robed in the blooming garb of spring;  
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,  
Who makes the woeful heart to sing.**

**Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight,  
And fair the twinkling starry host;  
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer  
Than all the angels' heav'n can boast.**

**Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations!  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
Now and forevermore be thine.**

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**SCRIPTURE READING: Jeremiah 3:6–14a**

<sup>6</sup> During the reign of King Josiah, the LORD said to me, “Have you seen what faithless Israel has done? She has gone up on every high hill and under every spreading tree and has committed adultery there. <sup>7</sup> I thought that after she had done all this she would return to me but she did not, and her unfaithful sister Judah saw it. <sup>8</sup> I gave faithless Israel her certificate of divorce and sent her away because of all her adulteries. Yet I saw that her unfaithful sister Judah had no fear; she also went out and committed adultery. <sup>9</sup> Because Israel's immorality mattered so little to her, she defiled the land and committed adultery with stone and wood. <sup>10</sup> In spite of all this, her unfaithful sister Judah did not return to me with all her heart, but only in pretense,” declares the LORD.

<sup>11</sup> The LORD said to me, “Faithless Israel is more righteous than unfaithful Judah. <sup>12</sup> Go, proclaim this message toward the north:

“‘Return, faithless Israel,’ declares the LORD,  
‘I will frown on you no longer,  
for I am faithful,’ declares the LORD,  
‘I will not be angry forever.

<sup>13</sup> Only acknowledge your guilt—  
you have rebelled against the LORD your God,  
you have scattered your favors to foreign gods  
under every spreading tree,  
and have not obeyed me,’”  
declares the LORD.

<sup>14</sup> “Return, faithless people,” declares the LORD, “for I am your husband.

This is the Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God!**

## ACT 2: RENEWAL

### CONFESSION OF SIN: *We own our faults.*

Heavenly Father,

You have loved us with an everlasting love,  
but we have gone our own way  
and broken your laws.  
We are sorry for our sins  
and turn away from them.

For the sake of your Son who died for us,  
forgive us, cleanse us and change us.

By your Holy Spirit, enable us to live for you,  
and to please you more and more;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON

### Act 3: Commitment

#### *Here is Love*

Words: William Rees; Music: Robert Lowry (arr. Matt Redman)

Here is love, vast as the ocean,  
Lovingkindness as the flood,  
When the prince of life, our ransom  
Shed for us his precious blood.  
Who his love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing his praise?  
He can never be forgotten  
Throughout heav'n's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion  
Fountains opened deep and wide.  
Through the floodgates of God's mercy  
Flowed a vast and gracious tide.  
Grace and love, like mighty rivers  
Poured incessant from above.  
And heav'n's peace and perfect justice  
Kissed a guilty world in love.

Who his love will not remember?  
Who can cease to sing his praise?  
He can never be forgotten  
Throughout heav'n's eternal days.

*Chorus*            No love is higher, no love is wider,  
No love is deeper, no love is truer,  
No love is higher, no love is wider,  
No love is like your love, O Lord.

**THE PREACHED WORD: *God brings us good news.*****Reading: Ephesians 5:21–33**

<sup>21</sup>...submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

<sup>22</sup>Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. <sup>23</sup>For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup>Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup>Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, <sup>26</sup>that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, <sup>27</sup>so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish. <sup>28</sup>In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. <sup>29</sup>For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church, <sup>30</sup>because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup>"Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." <sup>32</sup>This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church. <sup>33</sup>However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION****Sermon– “Marriage and the Gospel”**

*Sermon Notes*

***Give Us Clean Hands***

Words and Music: Charlie Hall

**We bow our hearts, we bend our knees,  
Oh Spirit come make us humble.  
We turn our eyes from evil things,  
Oh Lord we cast down our idols.**

***Chorus 1*      Give us clean hands,  
Give us pure hearts,  
Let us not lift our souls to another. *(repeat)***

**We bow our hearts, we bend our knees,  
Oh Spirit come make us humble.  
We turn our eyes from evil things,  
Oh Lord we cast down our idols.**

***Chorus 2*      Give us clean hands,  
Give us pure hearts,  
Let us not lift our souls to another. *(repeat)***

**Oh God, let us be a generation that seeks,  
Who seeks Your face, Oh God of Jacob. *(repeat)***

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## ACT 3: COMMITMENT

### GIVING: *We commit our resources.*

- ❖ *For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich (2 Corinthians 8:9). As Christians, we give because Christ gave, and because he continues to give us freely all that he is by his Spirit.*
- ❖ *If you are a visitor, please do not feel obliged to give. At this time, you may fill out the perforated form on the back of today's bulletin and place it in the offering bag. You may also use this form if you have prayer requests or praises to share with the elders, would like information about Christ Presbyterian Church or would like to update your contact information.*

### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION: *We commit our concerns.*

- ❖ *I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people (1 Timothy 2:1).*

### *Act 3: Commitment*

### ***Mighty to Save***

Words and Music: Ben Fielding and Reuben Morgan

- ❖ *During the last verse of the following song, children from age three through first grade are dismissed for a time of teaching.*

**Everyone needs compassion,  
Love that's never failing.  
Let mercy fall on me.  
Everyone needs forgiveness,  
The kindness of a Saviour,  
The hope of nations.**

***Chorus***            **Saviour, he can move the mountains.  
My God is mighty to save.  
He is mighty to save.  
Forever, Author of salvation,  
He rose and conquered the grave.  
Jesus conquered the grave.**

**So take me as you find me,  
All my fears and failures.  
Fill my life again.  
I give my life to follow  
Everything I believe in.  
Now I surrender.**

**Bridge:**            **Shine your light and let the whole world see.  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King Jesus.  
Shine your light and let the whole world see.  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King.**

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