

Announcements

New CPC Website

Check out our new website at www.cpcsb.org. Use it to check the dates, times and details of upcoming events, listen to or download sermons and learn more about CPC's beliefs, values and priorities.

Friday Nights Out

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.

Summer Sunday Afternoons at the Beach

Ruth & Katie Gross will stake out a spot at Goleta Beach today–by the play equipment–at 3:00PM. You're all welcome to bring your food (do-it-yourself grilling begins at 5PM), beach toys, chairs, blankets and friends and hang out together. If you're new to Christ Presbyterian Church, please join us, this is a great way for us to get to know each other. Contact Ruth or stop by the welcome table after worship.

Service of Worship July 17th, 2011 Fifth 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

"The child is father to the man." –Anonymous

Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of children is their fathers. Even a child makes himself known by his acts, by whether his conduct is pure and upright. Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. Whoever pampers his servant from childhood will in the end find him his heir.
–The Proverbs of Solomon, son of David, king of Israel

ACT 1: APPROACH

CALL TO WORSHIP: *God summons us.*

From Psalm 100 "The Message"

Applaud God!

We will sing ourselves into his presence!

Know this: God is God, he made us; we didn't make him!

We are his people, his well-tended sheep!

Worship him for he is sheer beauty, all-generous in love, and loyal forever.

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Words and Music: Charles Wesley Arr: Mark Jean

**O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise.
The glories of my God and King,
The triumphs of his grace!**

**Jesus, the name that charms our fears,
That bids our sorrows cease;
It's music in the sinner's ears,
It's life, and health, and peace.**

**He breaks the power of cancelled sin,
He sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean;
His blood availed for me!**

**He speaks, and listening to his voice,
New life the dead receive;
The mournful, broken hearts rejoice,
The humble poor believe.**

**My gracious Master and my God,
Assist me to proclaim,
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of your name!**

**To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of your name!**

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 1: Approach****Holy***

Words and Music: Brenton Brown

Holy, holy, God Almighty
 Who was and is to come.
 God of glory, you're so worthy
 All the saints bow down.

Chorus Holy is your name in all the earth.
 Righteous are your ways, so merciful.
 Everything you've done is just and true.
 Holy, holy God are you. (2x)

Bridge All blessing, all honor belongs to you.
 All power, all wisdom is yours.

Chorus: 2 times**INVOCATION:** *We ask God to meet us.*

FIRST SCRIPTURE READING: Deuteronomy 6:4–25

⁴Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. ⁵You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. ⁶And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. ⁷You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. ⁸You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. ⁹You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

¹⁰And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you—with great and good cities that you did not build, ¹¹and houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant—and when you eat and are full, ¹²then take care lest you forget the LORD, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. ¹³It is the LORD your God you shall fear. Him you shall serve and by his name you shall swear. ¹⁴You shall not go after other gods, the gods of the peoples who are around you— ¹⁵for the LORD your God in your midst is a jealous God— lest the anger of the LORD your God be kindled against you, and he destroy you from off the face of the earth.

¹⁶"You shall not put the LORD your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah. ¹⁷You shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies and his statutes, which he has commanded you. ¹⁸And you shall do what is right and good in the sight of the LORD, that it may go well with you, and that you may go in and take possession of the good land that the LORD swore to give to your fathers ¹⁹by thrusting out all your enemies from before you, as the LORD has promised.

²⁰"When your son asks you in time to come, 'What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the rules that the LORD our God has commanded you?' ²¹then you shall say to your son, 'We were Pharaoh's slaves in Egypt. And the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand. ²²And the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes. ²³And he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land that he swore to give to our fathers. ²⁴And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as we are this day. ²⁵And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as he has commanded us.'

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

Hallelujah, let us keep the feast.

The gifts of God are 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 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 on page 13 as a guide.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord our God.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

We were saved for his praise and glory.

Heavenly Father, it is our great joy to give you thanks and praise. It was out of goodness and love that you created the world, and in so doing you created the family. We thank you for our fathers and mothers, sons and daughters. But most of all, we praise you that we have been adopted into your family, the family of Abraham. And we now have God as our Father and Christ as our brother. And we recognize that it is only through his blood have we been given a place at the table. Therefore...

We do not presume to come to this, your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your abundant mercies. In ourselves, we are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But You, Lord, delight to show us mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, that by faith we might be nourished and edified by Jesus Christ, that we may dwell in him, and he in us.

Father, we ask that in keeping with your promise you would pour out Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these Your gifts of bread and wine, that we may commune with the body and blood of Christ. By Your Spirit make us one with Him, that we may be one with all who share this feast. Amen.

Act 1: Approach

SECOND SCRIPTURE READING: Matthew 19:13–15

¹³ Then children were brought to him that he might lay his hands on them and pray. The disciples rebuked the people, ¹⁴but Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven." ¹⁵And he laid his hands on them and went away.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ!

ACT 2: RENEWAL

CONFESSION OF SIN: *We own our faults.*

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)*

Father, we confess silently that:

- We have honored our own desires above those of our parents.
- We have been impatient with children, our own and those in our church.
- We have not cared to give up our time to train and instruct our children.
- For the sake of your son Jesus, forgive us our sin and make us like him.

Act 3: Commitment

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Words: Thomas Chisholm; Music: William Runyan

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
 There is no shadow of turning with thee;
 Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
 As thou hast been, thou forever will be.

Chorus Great is thy faithfulness!
 Great is thy faithfulness!
 Morning by morning new mercies I see.
 All I have needed thy hand hath provided;
 Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest,
 Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
 Join with all nature in manifold witness
 To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
 Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;
 Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
 Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside!

Chorus

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THE PREACHED WORD: *God brings us good news.***Reading: Ephesians 6:1–4**

¹ Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. ² "Honor your father and mother" (this is the first commandment with a promise), ³ that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land." ⁴ Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION**Sermon— “Grace in Families”**

Sermon Notes

**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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ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ACT 3: COMMITMENT

CONFESSION OF FAITH: *We commit our allegiance.*

Based on Psalm 78:1-7

Give ear, O my people, to God's teaching;

We incline our ears to the words of God's mouth; the things that our fathers have told us!

Do not hide them from your children.

We will tell the next generation the glorious deeds of the Lord, so that they might put their trust in him.

He has established a testimony in Jacob and appointed this law in Israel.

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

Jesus with Thy Church Abide

Words: Thomas Pollock. Music: Christopher Miner.

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

**Jesus, with thy church abide;
Be her Savior, Lord, and Guide,
While on earth her faith is tried:
We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.**

**Keep her life and doctrine pure;
Grant her patience to endure,
Trusting in thy promise sure:
We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.**

**May she guide the poor and blind,
Seek the lost until she find
And the brokenhearted bind:
We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.**

**Raise her to her calling high,
Let the nations far and nigh
Hear thy heralds warning cry.
We beseech thee, hear us,
We beseech thee, hear us.**

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