



JANUARY 13, 2019
BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Welcome to Christ Church! We believe that Christian worship is a conversation between God and his people. As such, all are encouraged to participate with confidence, reverence, and joy. Throughout the service, the minister or leader will speak, or sing, the words marked in grey and the congregation is encouraged to respond with words marked in **bold.**

GATHERING

We gather as God's "called out" community to proclaim the "otherness" of God and the beauty of His creation. Our time of confession acknowledges that we are broken, yet God offers us forgiveness though Jesus Christ. In turn, our act of confession models the forgiveness that we are to offer to one another.



Prelude

Psalm 29 (Cantor and Refrain)

CALL TO WORSHIP (PSALM 29:1-4, 9B-11)

Ascribe to the Lord, you heavenly beings, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

The voice of the Lord is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord thunders over the mighty waters.

The voice of the Lord is powerful; the voice of the Lord is majestic. And in his temple all cry, "Glory!"

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood; the Lord is enthroned as King forever.

The Lord gives strength to his people; the Lord blesses his people with peace.

ARISE, SHINE, FOR YOUR LIGHT HAS COME (ISAIAH 60:1-19)

Arise shine for your light has come and the glory of God is on you Arise see when the earth grows dark that the Lord will arise upon you The Lord will arise upon you Nations will come to your light lift up your eyes and see We'll gather together and come to you And your love will be all that we know Your love will be all that we know

Arise come to the open gates for the Father is welcoming you Fear not for the Lord brings peace and redemption to all who believe Redemption to all who believe

Nations will come to your light lift up your eyes and see
We'll gather together and come to you
And your love will be all that we know
Your love will be all that we know
The sun will not shine cause you'll be all the light that we need
and violence will end all the wars that we wage will cease

We will glorify your name, we will glorify your name.

Words & music: Jered McKenna, 2013

GOD'S GREETING / MUTUAL GREETING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Grace and peace to you from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ. Let us turn to one another and offer the peace of Christ using the words, "Peace be with you."

I AM THE LORD YOUR GOD (ISAIAH 43:1-2)

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you And the waves will not overcome you Do not fear for I have redeemed you I have called you by name, you are mine

For I am the Lord, your God I am the Lord your God I am the Holy One of Israel your Savior For I am the Lord your God I am the Lord your God I am the Holy One of Israel your Savior I am the Lord

When you walk through the fire, You'll not be burned And the flames will not consume you Do not fear for I will be with you I have called you by name you are mine Music by Walt Harrah / Lyrics from Isaiah 43

CONFESSION

Lord, Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us; Let not my fears or my darkness speak to me. Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us; Let our hearts ever hope in Your love!

Everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being: You have made us for yourself so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you.

Lord, Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us; Let not my fears or my darkness speak to me. Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us; Let our hearts ever hope in Your love!

We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. Give us purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, no weakness keep us from doing it; that in your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom. Amen

Lord, Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us; Let not my fears or my darkness speak to me. Lord Jesus Christ, Your light shines within us; Let our hearts ever hope in Your love!

:: Silence ::

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News: We share in the promises of God through Christ. Though unworthy, we have been reconciled to God through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and are baptized into His name. Believe this Good News and walk in His way!

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

GLORIA FOR EPIPHANY

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost,
As it was in the beginning, now and ever shall be,
World without end, world without end
Amen (3x)

Music: Sarah Majorins, 2015

CHILDREN ARE DISMISSED (K-5)

Minster: May God's Word be a lamp unto your feet and a light unto your path.

Congregation: The Lord be with you.

Children: And also with you.

WORD

We believe that God has spoken, and still speaks to us today as we engage with the inspired words of Holy Scripture. We hear, speak, and listen to God's Word as we explore the story of God's love that can be found in the Old and New Testament's of the Christian Scriptures.



Isaiah 43:1-7 (NIV)

1 But now, this is what the Lord says—he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel:

"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have summoned you by name; you are mine.

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you.

When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned;

the flames will not set you ablaze.

3 For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior;

I give Egypt for your ransom,

Cush and Seba in your stead.

4 Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you,

I will give people in exchange for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

5 Do not be afraid, for I am with you;

I will bring your children from the east

and gather you from the west.

6 I will say to the north, 'Give them up!' and to the south, 'Do not hold them back.'

Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth-

7 everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

SERMON

Rev. Eric Dirksen

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Today's prayer minister is available after the service for personal prayer. You can also send prayer requests to the CCD Council using the contact card (located in the pews). Cards may be placed in offering plates or given to Pastor Eric.

O God, who is with us,

hear our prayer.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (HEIDELBERG CATECHISM Q&A 31)

Q. Why is he called "Christ," meaning "anointed"?

A. Because he has been ordained by God the Father and has been anointed with the Holy Spirit to be our chief prophet and teacher who fully reveals to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our deliverance; our only high priest who has delivered us by the one sacrifice of his body, and who continually pleads our cause with the Father; and our eternal king who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and who guards us and keeps us in the freedom he has won for us.

OFFERING

INVOCATION OF THE LIGHT

Glory to God, who has shown us the light,
Glory to God, who has shown us the light,
lead us from darkness to light, lead us from sorrow to joy
lead us from death into life. Lead us.

Traditional Benedictine prayer / Music: Tripp Prince and Mike O'Brian, 2013

TABLE

The signature feast of Christians has many names: The Lord's Supper, Communion (from 'sharing'), the Eucharist (from 'thank you'), and the Mass (from 'Go, you are sent out'). This adaptation of the Jewish Passover has always been a shared family meal for those who have been baptized and follow Jesus, looking back to his once-for-all sacrificial death and looking forward to his return. When we celebrate this feast we commune with the risen Lord Jesus who stands as our host to offer forgiveness, healing, and life; we also commune with one another, participating together in the reconciling grace of God.



The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

With joy we praise you, gracious Father, for you have created heaven and earth, made us in your image, and kept covenant with us—even when we fell into sin.

We give you thanks for the light of the world Jesus Christ, our Lord, through whom we have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in your promise. For he came among us as the Word made flesh to show us the light of your glory, full of grace and truth.

Therefore we join our voices with all the saints and angels and the whole creation to proclaim (sung) the glory of your name.

Holy holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Heaven and earth are filled with Your glory.
Holy holy Lord, God of pow'r and might,
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest!

Music: Philip Majorins, 2015

At his last supper, the Lord Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said,

"This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, he took the cup after supper and said,

"This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this in remembrance of me."

For whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. Therefore we proclaim (sung) the mystery of the faith:

Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again someday.

Music: Philip Majorins, 2015

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

These are the gifts of God for the people of God.

Thanks be to God.

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Christ Church welcomes all baptized Christians, including children, to receive the Lord's Supper with us. Those unable to receive Communion, but desire to receive a blessing, may place their hand over their heart when approaching the table. Or, if desired, one may remain seated, using this time for prayer and meditation.

COME HOLY GHOST (VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS)

Come, Holy Ghost, Creator blest, And in our hearts take up Thy rest; Come with thy grace and heav'nly aid To fill our hearts which thou hast made, To fill our hearts which thou hast made.

O Comforter, to thee we cry, Thou heav'nly gift of God most high; Thou fount of life, and fire of love, And sweet anointing from above, And sweet anointing from above.

Be not afraid, where you go there I am with you. Be not afraid, where you go there I am with you.

O Holy Ghost, through thee alone, Know we the Father and the Son; Be this our firm unchanging creed, That thou dost from them both proceed. That thou dost from them both proceed.

Be not afraid, where you go there I am with you. Be not afraid, where you go there I am with you.

Praise we the Lord, Father and Son, and Holy Spirit with them one; And may the Son on us bestow all gifts from the Spirit flow, All gifts that from the Spirit flow.

Be not afraid, where you go there I am with you. Be not afraid, where you go there I am with you.

Words: Veni, Creator Spiritus (9th Century) / Music: Bruce Benedict & Raymond G. Mills

SENDING

Having partaken in Christ's body, we are then sent as Christ's body to bear witness to the resurrection in the midst of our fallen and "graceless" world. We no longer exist for ourselves, but for the sake of others.



BENEDICTION (2 CORINTHIANS 13:14))

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

PHOS HILARON (A SONG OF LIGHT)

O gracious light, Lord Jesus Christ, In you the father's glory shone. Immortal, holy, blest is he, And blest are you, his holy son.

Worthy are you of endless praise, O Son of God, life-giving Lord; Wherefore you are through all the earth And in the highest heaven adored.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise him all creatures here below Praise him above ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost

Words: 4th Century Greek hymn / Tune: Thomas Tallis, 1561



ANNOUNCEMENTS | JANUARY 13, 2019

If you would like to sign up for the weekly Christ Church email, please fill out a contact card (found in the pew) and place it in the offering plate or give it to Pastor Eric.

- Our deepest condolences to the family of Officer Natalie Corona. Remember to keep her family, as well as the family of the shooter, in your prayers. From the Davis Police Department: "Please show your support in the following simple ways: Put up signs around town, post banners by the police department, and send cards for the grieving officers."
- Join us for Faith Takes Practice today after the service in the Fellowship Hall!
- **Community Group** and **Literature Circle** are collaborating together to explore the theme of justice through both a scriptural/practical study and literature.
 - Community Group on Monday, January 14th, at Tim and Sandi Davis's home (251 Florencia Place, Davis). It will occur on the second Monday of every month. Come out to study through Just.ly (published by World Renew) and watch a series of videos on what it means to live justly in the world. Children welcome. 7PM
 - Literature Circle will occur on the 4th Monday of the month and will be reading through a short stories series by Anton Chekhov, beginning with "A Man in A Case." The Detrick family will continue to host Literature Circle at their home.
- Help teachers in Paradise rebuild their libraries after the devastation of the Camp Fire. We're
 collecting good used or new books that will be distributed directly to teachers at Paradise
 Elementary. Early reader books, chapter books, non-fiction and favorite read-aloud books all
 needed! We'll have a bin set up in the foyer to collect books and Lindsey Douros will collect
 and distribute them.
- Please feel free to contact the Christ Church Council at this number: 530-341-2595 or christchurchdaviscouncil@gmail.com

UPCOMING DATES

Mexico Mission Trip: June 15-22, 2019, will be Christ Church's first multi-generational mission trip. We will be going to Croc, Mexico.

REGULAR GATHERINGS

Morning Prayer: A brief morning prayer service, based on the *Book of Common Prayer*. Every Wednesday, 7:30 AM. In the Fellowship Hall.

POP (People of Prayer): Every Wednesday, 9:30-10:45 AM for a time of organized prayer and fellowship. Childcare provided. In the Fellowship Hall.

Youth Group (Jr. & Sr. High): 1st and 3rd Friday evenings of each month. Contact Eugene Kim with Sr. high questions: eugenekim36@gmail.com. Contact Eric Dirksen with Jr. high questions: eric@christchurchdavis.org

Community Group: 2nd Monday of the month at 7 PM (Davises' home, 251 Florencia Place).

Literature Circle: A book discussion group hosted by Rebecca Detrick on the 4th Monday of the month at 7 PM (Detricks' home, 2715 Belmont Drive). Contact Rebecca: rdknits@gmail.com

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Nursery & Preschool children may be dropped off before the service.

Nursery:

Pre-School [Play]: Arlene Den Dulk

K - 1: Rebecca Detrick

2 - 3: James Vroom

4 - 5: Susan Royalty

Grades 6-8 [Dive]: Shelly Dirksen (9:15 AM in the balcony classroom)

Grades 9-10: Eric Dirksen (9:15 AM in the library)

Prayers / Communion Server: Scott Detrick

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CHRIST CHURCH COUNCIL (DEACONS AND ELDERS)

Joel Den Dulk, Sandra Davis, Sarah Monley, Scott Detrick, Scott Heald

ABOUT CHRIST CHURCH | Davis, CA

Our Story

Christ Church began in the fall of 2010 as a congregation of the Christian Reformed Church in North America. We are a worshipping community whose beliefs and practices are rooted in the Christian Church around the world and through the ages. Our hope is founded on the historic tenets of the Christian faith, as articulated by the ecumenical creeds -- Apostles' Creed, Nicene Creed, and Athanasian Creed.

Our Faith

All Christians believe that the Bible reveals one God in three "persons" - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. In other words, God is a perfect community of love, revealing himself to us through the person of Jesus Christ, uniting us to Christ through the Holy Spirit. We seek to participate in the Kingdom of God by announcing and embodying the story of Jesus. We are oriented toward this kingdom as we respond in gratitude to God's grace both in corporate worship and in our daily lives.

Our Worship

In conversation with the past and the present, our worship flows from the words and life of Jesus, the witness of Holy Scripture, and the practices of the Christian church through the ages. "Worship is a meeting between God and his people--God as the initiator and we as the responders." Therefore our worship follows a historic pattern of dialogue that begins with God calling us to worship and praise. We then move to a time of honesty and confession followed by the assurance of God's grace towards us, a time of teaching from the Bible, and a celebration of the Lord's Supper each week. The sacraments of the Lord's Supper and Baptism give shape to our worship, while prayer, especially the Psalms, shapes the language we use as we relate to God and others.

We believe that worship celebrates the story of God's redemption through Jesus. Following the Christian Calendar, we rehearse that story each week and throughout the year. Seasons such as Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter and Pentecost allow us to celebrate the mighty acts and promises of God past, present, and future. These seasons encourage us to see ourselves as participants in that redemptive story.

Our Life Together

Toward Others

These specific practices of Christian worship form us to understand that our whole lives are an act of worship. We seek to live out the priorities of Jesus by loving our neighbor, our community and our world because we are animated by our hope that through Christ, God is making "all things new." We seek the good of our local community, laboring toward its spiritual, intellectual, physical, emotional, and economic good.

With Others

We strive to be welcoming and comprehensible, expecting a range of doubts, questions, objections, and struggles along the journey of faith. Because the Christian life is lived together, we believe God's grace is experienced in community. Scripture calls Christians to a robust life of mutual encouragement, fellowship, and love. Therefore we eat together, pray together, learn together, serve together and care for one another.

Children and Formation

Spiritual formation happens at every age level. We are all on a journey to become wise practitioners of the Christian faith and faithful participants in the kingdom of God. For our children we use a curriculum that offers them and their leaders opportunities to worship and wonder at God's story as they live it out together. We desire for our children to find their place in God's story of redemption and reconciliation.

Each Sunday our children experience that story through speech, sight, sound, touch, and taste both in the worship service and their age-appropriate lessons. Throughout the month, Jr. High and Sr. high youth are invited to further explore God's story through conversation, cooking, and other gatherings.

A nursery is provided for kids 0 to 2 years old, and a story time is offered for ages 3+ during our service. Children's worship is available for kids in Kindergarten through 5th grade. They will be dismissed during a portion of our service and will return before its completion in order to participate in the Lord's Supper. Grades 6 through 8 and grades 9 and 10 meet at 9:15 each Sunday before the worship service.