

CHRIST COMMUNITY CHURCH in FRISCO (PCA)

A Service of the Word, Prayer and the Lord's Supper Lord's Day, March 17, 2024

Prelude

Words of Welcome & Preparation for Worship¹

*Call to Worship² from Joel 2:12-14

Leader: Even now," declares the LORD, "return to me with all your heart, with fasting and weeping and mourning.

People: Rend your heart and not your garments. Return to the LORD, Your God,

Leader: for he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger and abounding in love, and he relents from sending calamity.

People: Come, Let us Worship the LORD.

*Song of Praise3

"Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"

Croft/Watts

- 1. Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come. Our shelter from the stormy blast, And our eternal home.
- 2. Under the shadow of your throne Your saints have dwelt secure. Sufficient is your arm alone, And our defense is sure.
 - 3. Before the hills in order stood Or earth received her frame, From everlasting you are God, To endless years the same.

¹ As a courtesy, please program all communication devices to silent mode. Thank you!

Please stand if able

² We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name. * = Please stand if able

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7. Our God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come:O be our guard while troubles last, And our eternal home.

*Song of Praise 2 - -

"Praise My Soul the King of Heaven"

Goss/Lyte

- Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
 To His feet thy tribute bring.
 Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
 Who like me His praise should sing.
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise the everlasting King.
- Praise Him for His grace and favor
 To our fathers in distress.
 Praise Him still the same forever,
 Slow to chide and swift to bless.
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Glorious in His faithfulness.
- 3. Frail as summer's flower we flourish;
 Blows the wind and it is gone.
 But while mortals rise and perish,
 God endures unchanging on.
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise Him, praise Him,
 Praise the high, eternal One.

*Prayer of Adoration

NT Reading - Luke 8.22-25

Call to Confession

we acknowledge our sin

O Father, we are gathered before you, the Maker of Heaven and Earth, whose chosen dwelling place is with the broken and contrite, to confess that we have sinned in thought and word and deed; we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, we have not loved you with all our mind and strength; we have not even loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone, so that we may hate our sin with a holy hatred. But, please Father, do not leave us in sorrow. With you, O Lord, there is forgiveness. In your mercy, restore the joy of our salvation; so that we may love you with a holy love. Amen

Private Reflection & Confession of Sin

As you confess your sins, pray that the Holy Spirit would more and more awaken your desires to the beauty of Christ.

Offer of Forgiveness through Christ

we receive His Grace

Hear what sweet words of comfort the Lord gives to those who truly repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. ~2 Cor. 5.20–21

When peace like a river, attendeth my way,
 When sorrows like sea billows roll,
 Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
 "It is well,
 It is well with my soul."

CH: It is well with my soul.

It is well,

It is well with my soul.

2. Tho' Satan should buffet, Tho' trials should come, Let this blest assurance control: That Christ hath regarded My helpless estate And hath shed His own blood For my soul.

3. My sin—O the bliss of this glorious tho't—
My sin not in part but the whole
Is nailed to the cross,
And I bear it no more.
Praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord O my soul!

4. And Lord haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll.
The trump shall resound,
And the Lord shall descend.
Even so, it is well
With my soul.

*Affirmation of Faith

None this week

Worship by Giving

1 Chronicles 16.29

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name; bring an offering and come before him. Worship the Lord in the splendor of his holiness.

Prayers for Christ's Church & World

"Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen (Matthew 6.9–13 - KJV)

The Greeting & Doxology

Praise God, from Whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

OT Reading - Jonah 1.4-17

Sermon: Caught in the Storm of God

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper⁴

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Consecration

Words of Institution Mark 14: 22–25

And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, "Take; this is my body." ²³ And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. ²⁴ And he said to them, "This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many. ²⁵ Truly, I say to you, I will not drink again of the fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new in the kingdom of God."

Distribution of the Bread and Cup

*Departing Song - -

"Isaiah 43"

CH: For I am the Lord your God (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 Lord your God (I am)

The Holy One of Israel

Your Savior

I am the Lord (do not fear)

³The bread and juice you see on the Communion table may not look like much to the casual observer. In fact, it is merely bread and juice. What makes this meal special is that the Lord Jesus Christ is spiritually present in a unique way. This sacrament is not something to be taken lightly; neither is it a time to be somber. Rather, we should be filled with thankfulness and joy. Our Savior, out of His great mercy, bids His people to come to this meal. If you are a member of a church who embraces the Gospel of Jesus Christ and are at peace with your fellow Christians, we welcome you to this table. Come and consider with us our Lord's body and shed blood symbolized in the bread and juice. Rejoice with us in our union with Him and with each other as His Covenant people. For those not taking Communion today, we encourage you to carefully consider the claims of Christ, that you would repent and believe the Good News of the Gospel, and we look forward to the day when you may join us in this meal.

2. When you walk through the fire,
You'll not be burned,
And the flames will not
Consume you.
Do not fear,
For I have redeemed you,
I have called you by name,
You are Mine.

*Benediction

Postlude