

August 21, 2022

Christ Church exists to make mature disciples who will worship, know and serve Christ so that His Church and Kingdom are powerfully extended in Katy and beyond.

CHRIST CHURCH

Order for the Worship of God

The Lord's Day • August 21, 2022

We also have live stream worship at www.cckpca.org/livestream at 11:00 AM. Register at cckpca.org/guest so we can provide you with information about our church.

Welcome & Silent Preparation

The Rev. Mr. Fred Greco

PRAISE

Call to Worship*

Psalm 68:32-34

* Worshippers are asked to stand if possible

Minister: O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing praises to the Lord, to Him who rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; behold, He sends out His voice, His mighty voice. Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over Israel, and whose power is in the skies.

Prayer of Adoration*

Pastor Greco

Hymn of Praise #62*

"Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise"

Affirmation of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism Questions 96-98

Q. 96: What does God require in the second commandment?

Answer: We are not to make an image of God in any way, nor to

worship Him in any other manner than He has

commanded in His Word.

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"It is impossible for men by their own strength and natural ability to become Christians, but it is possible for God to make them Christians." (Ezekiel

Hopkins)

Q. 97: May we then not make any image at all?

Answer: God cannot and may not be visibly portrayed in any way.

Creatures may be portrayed, but God forbids us to make or have any images of them in order to worship them or to

serve God through them.

Q. 98: But may images not be tolerated in the churches as "books

for the laity"?

Answer: No, for we should not be wiser than God. He wants His

people to be taught not by means of dumb images but by

the living preaching of His Word.

CONFESSION

Corporate Confession of Sin

The Rev. Mr. Jason Wegener

Holy God, You dwell in unapproachable light, but You have graciously shined Your light on us sending Jesus, Your son, to save us. We believe in Him but too often we seek to flee from the light. Too often we have attempted to hide our sins rather than confessing them to You. We ask Your forgiveness for our resistant attitudes. We ask Your forgiveness for the time and energy wasted in seeking to justify ourselves by blaming others. We ask your forgiveness for the sins we silently confess to You now.

Private Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 147:2-3, 5

Hymn of Assurance #518



"Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground"

The LORD builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure.

MEANS OF GRACE

Scripture Reading* — Matthew 6:16-34

Mr. Mark Becker

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Prayers of Intercession & Petition

Mr. Becker

Sermon Text John 3:22-30

Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon Pastor Greco

"He Must Increase"

Psalm 96A

Christian Education is at 9:50 AM.

"O Sing a New Song"

— THANKSGIVING

Giving

www.cckpca.org/give or text "CCKPCA" to 833-750-3171 Offering Box also available in narthex

Doxology #731*



Old Hundredth

Prayer of Thanksgiving*

Hymn #616*



"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

The Benediction* Pastor Greco

Announcements Mr. Becker

EVENING WORSHIP

Conclude the Lord's Day with His people, tonight at 6:00 PM.

Call to Worship*

Opening Prayer*

Hymn #32*

Hymn #235

Hymn #358

Scripture Reading* — Genesis 25:1-18

"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

"All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

"For All the Saints"

Dr. Dave Morris

Pastoral Prayer

Sermon Text Esther 6:1-14

Prayer of Illumination

The Sermon The Rev. Mr. Curt Mire

"Haman's Bad Day"

Hymn #533*

"I Am Thine, O Lord, I Have Heard Thy Voice"

The Benediction*

<u>Next Week</u> – Pastor Wegener will be preaching on Esther 7, "*True Colors*," followed by a Back to School Favorites Supper.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery care is available for children up to the 4th birthday during the 11:00 AM service in room 111. Nursery care is not currently being provided at our 8:30 AM service, our evening service, or during Sunday School. Our nursery will send a text message to alert parents if needed. Please remember to keep your phone silenced but on vibrate so you will receive it. Thank you!

E-MAIL PRAYER CHAIN

The Christ Church email prayer chain may be activated by contacting the church office (281-392-0002 or prayerchain@ cckpca.org). If you wish to receive emails from the prayer chain please contact the office.

MERCY MINISTRY

Those in need of this service should contact Amy Wegener at mercyministry@ cckpca.org

Sing to the Lord, Sing His Praise

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth. Ps. 96:1



- 5. Make all the nations know God reigns forever; earth is established as he did decree; righteous and just is the King of the nations, judging the people with equity.
- 6. Let heav'n and earth be glad; waves of the ocean, forest and field, exultation express; for God is coming, the Judge of the nations, coming to judge in his righteousness.

To me, to live is Christ and to die is gain. Phil. 1:21



96A Psalm 96:1-8

O Sing a New Song

Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!

—1 Corinthians 9:16



Doxology

Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Ps. 150:6



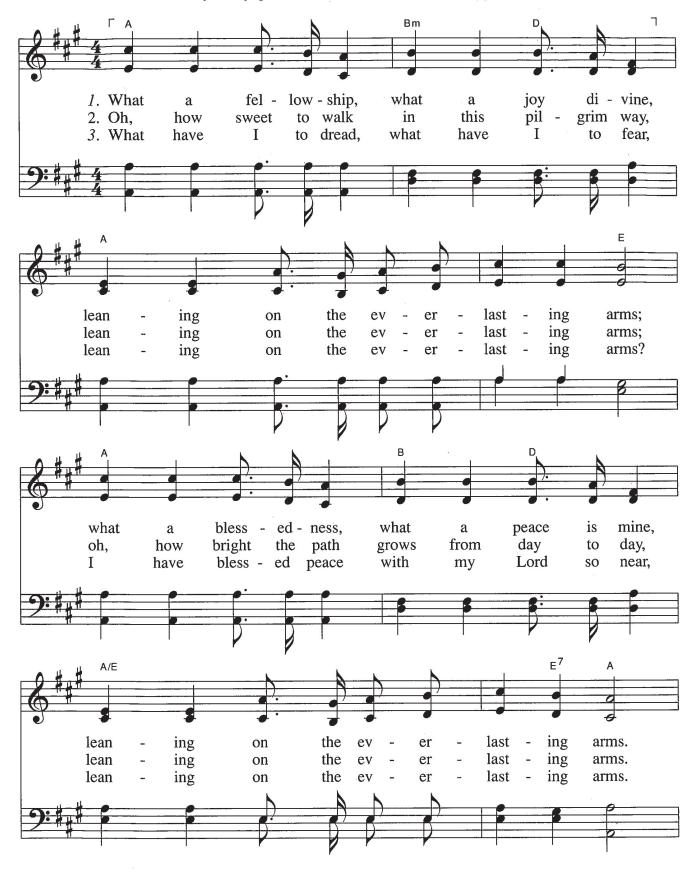
Thomas Ken, 1709

OLD HUNDREDTH L.M. Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*, 1551

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Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms. Deut. 33:27







Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Because of the LORD's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. Lam. 3:22, 23



All Glory, Laud, and Honor

"Hosanna!" "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" "Blessed is the King of Israel!" John 12:13



They will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them. Rev. 14:13



My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. John 10:27



TODAY'S SERMON NOTES

"He Must Increase" John 3:22-30 Fred Greco August 21, 2022

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8:30 AM – Morning Worship 9:50 AM – Sunday School 11:00 AM – Morning Worship 6:00 PM – Evening Worship

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