



CHRIST *the* REDEEMER

Ordinary Time
September 10, 2023



ORDER OF WORSHIP

Call to Worship

Psalm 119:33-48

Leader—

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end.

Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

Lead me in the path of your commandments, for I delight in it.

Incline my heart to your testimonies, and not to selfish gain!

Congregation—

Turn my eyes from looking at worthless things;

and give me life in your ways.

Confirm to your servant your promise,

that you may be feared.

Turn away the reproach that I dread,

for your rules are good.

Behold, I long for your precepts;

in your righteousness give me life!

Leader—

Let your steadfast love come to me, O Lord,

your salvation according to your promise;

Then shall I have an answer for him who taunts me, for I trust in your word.

And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth,

for my hope is in your rules.

I will keep your law continually, forever and ever,

Congregation—

And I shall walk in a wide place,

for I have sought your precepts.

I will also speak of your testimonies before kings

and shall not be put to shame,

For I find my delight in your commandments, which I love.

I will lift up my hands toward your commandments, which I love,

and I will meditate on your statutes.

Song of Praise, *Creator of the Stars of Night*

Creator of the stars of night
Thy people's ever lasting light
O Christ redeemer of us all
We pray You hear us when we call

When this old world
Drew on toward night
You came but not in splendor bright
Not as a monarch but a child of Mary
Blameless mother mild / **Chorus**

Chorus—

Come on come
Come oh come
Come oh come to us

Personal Confession (in silence)

Corporate Confession of Sin

God of love and grace, we confess to you and to one another the many ways we fail to live the lives you want for us. We make ourselves busy with many things, and neglect to listen to your voice. All too often we see the worst in the world around us, and look past your signs of hope. We are quick to voice our dissent with one another, and refuse to see your face in those with whom we disagree. We focus on our own hurts, anger, and disappointments, and close our hearts to your transforming grace. O Holy Light of the world, forgive us. Open our eyes to your forgiveness. Give us courage to listen for your call to us. Take our hearts of stone, and make them new again with your holy love. Amen.

Assurance of the Gospel

Romans 8:14-17

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God. For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Song of the Gospel, Christ the Lord is Risen Today

Christ the Lord is risen today alleluia
Sons of men and angels say alleluia
Raise your joys and triumphs high alleluia
Sing ye heavens and earth reply alleluia

Love's redeeming work is done alleluia
Fought the fight the battle won alleluia
Death in vain forbids Him rise alleluia
Christ has opened paradise alleluia

Lives again our glorious King alleluia
Where oh death is now thy sting alleluia
Dying once He all doth save alleluia
Where thy victory oh grave alleluia

Soar we now where Christ has led alleluia
Following our exalted Head alleluia
Made like Him like Him we rise alleluia
Ours the cross the grave the skies alleluia

Chorus—

He is not dead He is alive
We have this hope in Jesus Christ

Children ages 4 to 6 are dismissed to Children's Church

We love for the corporate worship gathering to be a family-friendly time, however, please feel free to either use overflow space in the office suite or check your children into the nursery/children's church if they are finding it difficult to sit through the service. Children's interactive bulletins are also

Scripture Lessons

Old Testament

Ezekiel 33:1-11

(Page 720 in the Pew Bible)

Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

(Page 823 in the Pew Bible)

Leader—

This is the word of the Lord

Congregation—

Thanks be to God

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Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who 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 have forgiven our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sermon Passage

Judges 14

Page 214 in the Pew Bible

Sermon

“Sulking Salacious Samson”

Song of Response, My Jesus I Love Thee

My Jesus I love Thee
I know Thou art mine
For Thee all the follies
Of sin I resign
My gracious Redeemer
My Savior art Thou
If ever I loved Thee
My Jesus 'tis now

I love Thee because
Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon
On Calvary's tree
I love Thee for wearing
The thorns on Thy brow
If ever I loved Thee
My Jesus 'tis now

I'll love Thee in life
I will love Thee in death
And praise Thee as long as
Thou lendest me breath
And say when the death dew
Lies cold on my brow
If ever I loved Thee
My Jesus 'tis now

In mansions of glory
And endless delight
I'll ever adore Thee
In heaven so bright
I'll sing with the glittering
Crown on my brow
If ever I loved Thee
My Jesus 'tis now

The Lord's Supper

Please come forward, when you like, to share from the common bread, which signifies our oneness in Christ. It is also gluten free to enable as many to partake as feasible. Then take from the individual servings of wine or juice, which signifies our individual discipleship with Jesus. You may leave your cup at the table or take it back to your seat and drink it there.

Song of Communion, O Come to the Altar

Are you hurting and broken within
Overwhelmed by the weight of your sin
Jesus is calling
Have you come to the end of yourself
Do you thirst for a drink from the well
Jesus is calling

Chorus—

O come to the altar
The Father's arms are open wide
Forgiveness was bought with
The precious blood of Jesus Christ

Leave behind your regrets and mistakes
Come today there's no reason to wait
Jesus is calling
Bring your sorrows and trade them for joy
From the ashes a new life is born
Jesus is calling

Benediction

Commissioning

Pastor—

Let us go into the world as children of God and servants of Christ to love and serve others.

Congregation—

Thanks be to God!

Bridge—

Oh what a Savior
Isn't he wonderful
Sing alleluia Christ is risen
Bow down before him
For he is Lord of all
Sing alleluia Christ is risen

Bear your cross as you wait for the crown
Tell the world of the treasure you've found

The Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Praise him all creatures here below.

Praise him above ye, heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen

Notes:

Prayers

Greenville

We pray this week for **Ridgewood Church**. We ask the Lord to continue to provide for their needs and bring the lost into salvation through their ministry.

United States

We pray this week for the **City of Boston** and the work the **North American Mission Board** is doing to grow the church and advance the gospel there.

World

Lord, we lift up **Shelly and Nathan**, our friends who are serving as missionaries to the **Middle East**. Make your presence real to them, so they know that they are never alone. Give them encouragement to continue in their efforts, even when they do not see the fruit of their labor.

Announcements

Dinner for the Curlee's | September 18, 6-8:30p

Fourth Sunday Service | September 24, 4-6p

Youth Nite | September 24, 4-6p

New Member Class | Fri, Sept 29 - 5:30-8:30p, Sat, Sept 30 - 8:30-11:30a

Church Retreat | Oct. 21, 9a-9p

English Club | Tuesday Nights, 6-8p

Freedom That Lasts | Starting soon. For more info, contact Ben Marshall (BMarshall@FreedomThatLasts.com)



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Community | Discipleship
Liturgy | Mercy + Mission | Simplicity

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