



CHRIST
CHURCH

September 6, 2026



Welcome to worship at Christ Church!

Our aim is to enjoy the goodness of our triune God in fellowship within the community he has formed, lifting our hearts as an offering to the Lord using the varied and unique gifts of this local congregation. We await his transformative word in our lives.

We are glad that you have joined us.

Young children are an important part of our community as well. We are very happy to be part of this very significant stage in their lives — learning to worship together in the community of believers. You are welcome to keep your children with you throughout the service, or you may choose to use one of our nurseries for children ages 3 years and younger and Christ Kids Worship at the 9:00 service for 4 and 5 year olds during the sermon. Activity bags for children during the 11:00 service are available in the bulletin table in the foyer. If you would like a quiet space to feed or rock your baby during the worship service, you are welcome to use Room 106 or the Children's Ministry office, Room 102.

Assistive hearing devices are available in the sound booth, located in the back of the sanctuary. If you are experiencing sensory sensitivity, an usher can direct you to a quiet space.

Prelude *O God Beyond All Praising*

Michael A. Perry
arr. David Maurand

O God beyond all praising, we worship you today,
and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
for we can only wonder at every gift you send,
at blessings without number and mercies without end;
we lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
we honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
that we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
and whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still;
to marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Welcome

Assistant Pastor Lucas Mooibroek

Silent meditation

Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.

Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and give no opportunity to the devil. Ephesians 4:15-16, 25-27

** Please rise in body and/or in spirit.*

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

Call to Worship Psalm 86:8-12

Elder Dan Churchwell

There is none like you among the gods, O Lord,
nor are there any works like yours.
All the nations you have made shall come
and worship before you, O Lord,
and shall glorify your name.
For you are great and do wondrous things;
you alone are God.
Teach me your way, O LORD,
that I may walk in your truth;
unite my heart to fear your name.
I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
and I will glorify your name forever.

** Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven* Trinity Hymnal 76

*** Invocation**

GOD CALLS US TO RENEWAL

Call to confession Hebrews 4:12-16

For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Prayer of confession followed by a time of silent confession

Declaration of Forgiveness 2 Corinthians 5:17-19, 21

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation... For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

9:00 service: On the final verse of the following song, 4- to 5-year-olds are dismissed to the foyer for Christ Kids Worship and will return following the sermon.

11:00 service: Church bags for 4- to 5-year-olds are available in the foyer.

*** Yet Not I But Through Christ In Me**

by Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson & Michael Farren



1. What gift of grace is Je - sus, my Re - deem - er. There is no
2. The night is dark, but I am not for - sak - en, for by my
3. No fate I dread, I know I am for - giv - en: the fu - ture
4. With ev - 'ry breath I long to fol - low Je - sus for he has



more for hea - ven now to give. He is my
side the Sa - vior he will stay. I la - bor
sure, the price it has been paid, for Je - sus
said that he will bring me home, and day by



joy, my right - eous - ness, and free - dom, my stead - fast
on in weak - ness and re - joic - ing for in my
bled and suf - fered for my par - don and he was
day I know he will re - new me un - til I



love, my deep and bound - less peace. To this I hold, my hope is on - ly
need, his po - wer is dis - played. To this I hold, my Shep - herd will de -
raised to ov - er - throw the grave. To this I hold, my sin has been de -
stand with joy be - fore the throne. To this I hold, my hope is on - ly



Je - sus, for my life is whol - ly bound to his. Oh how
fend me; through the deep - est val - ley he will lead. Oh the
feat - ed. Je - sus now and ev - er is my plea. Oh the
Je - sus. All the glo - ry ev - er - more to him. When the

strange and di - vine, I can sing: All is mine! Yet not
 night has been won, and I shall ov - er - come! Yet not
 chains are re - leased, I can sing: I am free! Yet not
 race is com - plete, still my lips shall re - peat: Yet not

I, but through Christ in me.
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GOD'S WORD GIVEN TO US

* Scripture reading Acts 15:36-41

³⁶ And after some days Paul said to Barnabas, "Let us return and visit the brothers in every city where we proclaimed the word of the Lord, and see how they are." ³⁷ Now Barnabas wanted to take with them John called Mark. ³⁸ But Paul thought best not to take with them one who had withdrawn from them in Pamphylia and had not gone with them to the work. ³⁹ And there arose a sharp disagreement, so that they separated from each other. Barnabas took Mark with him and sailed away to Cyprus, ⁴⁰ but Paul chose Silas and departed, having been commended by the brothers to the grace of the Lord. ⁴¹ And he went through Syria and Cilicia, strengthening the churches.

Elder: The Word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God!

* Prayer

Sermon Conflict Lenses

Pastor Kyle Culbertson

Missional Lens

Merciful Lens

The Master's Lens

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DEDICATING OURSELVES TO GOD

* *Holy Spirit, Living Breath of God*

Stewart Townsend & Keith Getty

VERSE

D Dmaj7/F# G A G/B A/C# D D/F# A D/F#

1. Ho ly Spir - it, liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new
 2. Ho ly Spir - it, come a - bide with - in, may Your
 3. Ho ly Spir - it, from cre - a - tion's birth, giv - ing

3 G A G/B A/C# D G/D A/D D Dmaj7/F# G A G/B A/C#

life in - to my will - ing soul. Let the pres - ence of the
 joy be seen in all I do. Love e - nough to cov - er
 life to all that God has made, show Your pow - er once a -

6 D D/F# A D/F# G A G/B A/C# D

ris - en Lord come re - new my heart and make me whole.
 ev - 'ry sin, in each thought and deed and at - ti - tude.
 - gain on earth, cause Your church to hun - ger for Your ways.

9 G A Bm D/F# G D/F# A Bm A/C# D D/F# Em D A

Cause Your word to come a-live in me; Give me faith for what I can - not see,
 Kind - ness to the great - est and the least, gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace.
 Let the fra - grance of our pray'rs a - rise; Lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice,

13 Bm Dmaj7/F# G A G/B A/C# D D/F# A D/F# G A G/B A/C#

give me pas - sion for Your pu - ri - ty; Ho - ly Spir - it breathe new life in
 Turn my striv - ings in - to works of grace; Breath of God show Christ in all I
 that in u - ni - ty the face of Christ may be clear for all the world to

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me.
 do.
 see.

Invitation to the Lord's Table

The bread served is gluten free. Rows will be dismissed to walk forward.

* *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

Stewart Townsend



1. How deep the Fath - er's love for us, how
2. Be - hold the Man up - on a cross, my
3. I will not boast in an - y - thing: no



vast be - yond all meas - ure that He should give His on - ly Son to
sin up - on His shoul - ders. A - shamed, I hear my mock - ing voice call
gifts, no pow'r, no wis - dom. But I will boast in Je - sus Christ: His



make a wretch His treas - ure. How great the pain of sear - ing loss. The
out a - mong the scof - fers. It was my sin that held Him there un -
death and res - ur - rec - tion. Why should I gain from His re - ward? I



Fa - ther turns His face a - way as wounds which mar the Cho - sen One bring
til it was ac - com - plished; His dy - ing breath has brought me life. I
can - not give an an - swer. But this I know with all my heart: His



man - y sons to glo - ry.
know that it is fin - ished.
wounds have paid my ran - som.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Living out our faith announcements about the life of the church

Prayers of the People

*During the offertory please pass the red friendship pads found at the end of the rows.
Give online at christchurchgr.org or by texting (888) 793-1604*

Offertory *Grace Greater Than Our Sin*

Daniel B. Towner
arr. Kristin Campbell

Refrain:

Grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
Grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that is greater than all our sin.

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured,
there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt. [Refrain]

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
threaten the soul with infinite loss,
grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
points to the refuge, the mighty cross. [Refrain]

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace,
freely bestowed on all who believe;
all who are longing to see His face,
will you this moment His grace receive? [Refrain]

* **Doxology** Trinity Hymnal 731

* **Benediction**

Kids and All: You are invited to come forward and wave the flags as we sing our closing Amen song.

*** Let the Church Say Amen**

Andrae Crouch

Let the Church say "A - men." Let the Church say "A - men." ___

God has spok-en, let the Church say "A - men."

*** Postlude**

Prayer Partners are available to pray with you right now. Come to the area by the organ with anything on your heart: praise, fears, questions, thanksgiving. We'll sit down and pray together.

Worship musicians

Claudia Chang, piano

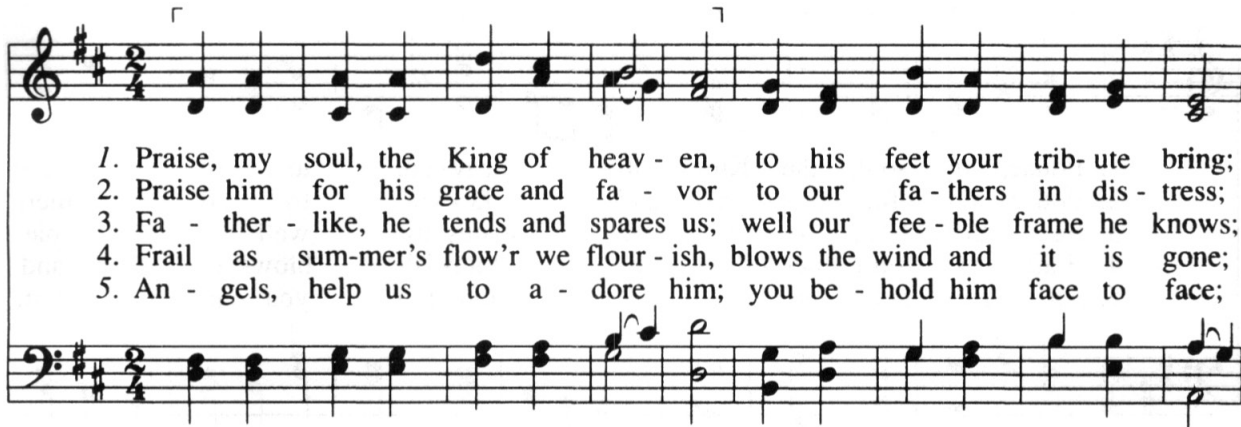
Grace Cheong, song leader, violin

Lia Gelder, flute

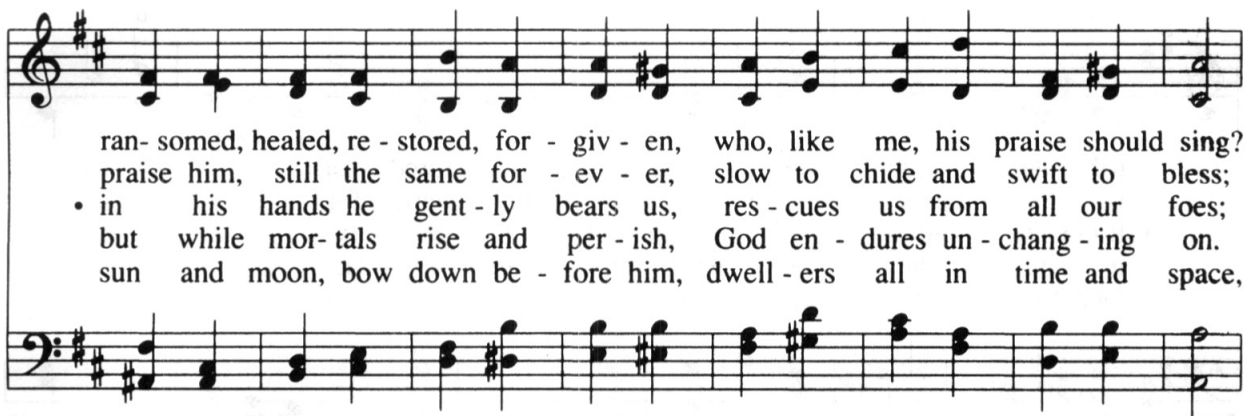
Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

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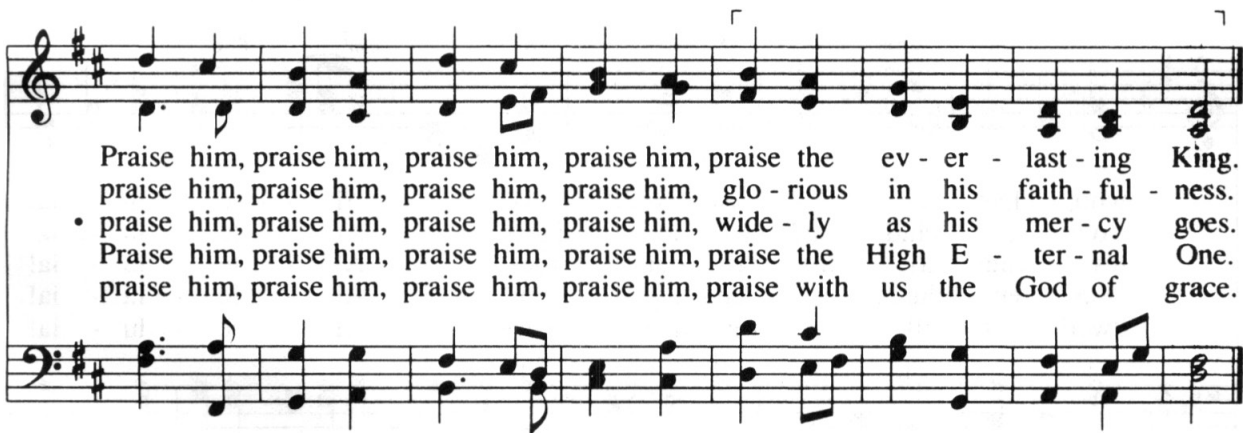
*Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his dominion. Praise the LORD,
O my soul. Ps. 103:22*



1. Praise, my soul, the King of heav - en, to his feet your trib - ute bring;
 2. Praise him for his grace and fa - vor to our fa - thers in dis - tress;
 3. Fa - ther - like, he tends and spares us; well our fee - ble frame he knows;
 4. Frail as sum - mer's flow'r we flour - ish, blows the wind and it is gone;
 5. An - gels, help us to a - dore him; you be - hold him face to face;



ran - somed, healed, re - stored, for - giv - en, who, like me, his praise should sing?
 praise him, still the same for - ev - er, slow to chide and swift to bless;
 • in his hands he gent - ly bears us, res - cues us from all our foes;
 but while mor - tals rise and per - ish, God en - dures un - chang - ing on.
 sun and moon, bow down be - fore him, dwell - ers all in time and space,



Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the ev - er - last - ing King.
 praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, glo - rious in his faith - ful - ness.
 • praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, wide - ly as his mer - cy goes.
 Praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise the High E - ter - nal One.
 praise him, praise him, praise him, praise him, praise with us the God of grace.

Doxology

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

Γ G D Em Bm Em D G 7
 Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

D Em C G D Em D G D G C D G
 crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

Γ D G Em D Am G D G 7 C G
 praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

Thomas Ken, 1709

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