

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church

July 1, 2007

The Lord's Day'

Welcome and Silent Preparation

The Reverend Douglas D. Warren

A Word About Worship and this time of Preparation: We have the incredible privilege of coming into the presence of the living God. Please take a few moments now to silently prepare your heart. As others around you are in prayer and contemplation, please consider their need for quiet.

*A Note to Parents: There is a **nursery** available at your discretion throughout the service. Please ask one of the greeters if you need help finding your way. There is also a class called **Kids' Quest** for children (3 and up) during the sermon. Children are welcome to come forward during communion to be prayed for by the pastor, but should not partake of communion until they have professed their faith publicly and been approved by the session.*

GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE REDEEMER

Prelude "How Great is Your Name (Psalm 8)" *B. Moore*

***Call to Worship** Isaiah 6 Rev. Warren

Minister: I saw the Lord, seated on a throne, high and exalted,
All: And the train of his robe filled the temple.
Minister: Above him were seraphs, each with six wings: with two wings they covered their faces, with two they covered their feet, and with two they were flying. And they were calling to one another:
All: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord Almighty; the whole earth is full of his glory."

***Hymn of Exultation** (53) "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" *Gesangbuch*

***Prayer of Adoration** *(concluded by praying together):* Mr. Doug Tedder
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 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

REPENTING TOGETHER BY GOD'S GRACE

Scriptural Call to Repentance Isaiah 30:15-18 Rev. Warren
In repentance and rest is your salvation, in quietness and trust is your strength, but you would have none of it. Yet the Lord longs to be gracious to you; He rises to show you compassion. For the Lord is God of justice. Blessed are those who wait for Him!

Song of Preparation "I Lift My Eyes Up" *Doerksen*²

I lift my eyes up to the mountains. Oh, how I need You, Lord.
Where does my help come from? You are my only hope.
My help comes from You, You're my only prayer;
Maker of heaven, Creator of the earth. So, I will wait for You
To come and rescue me.
Come and give me life.

I lift my eyes up to the mountains. Where does my help come from?

Corporate Confession Rev. Warren
Holy Father, we long to have you change our hearts. We confess to You that we do not obey You as we should. We love little, speak not the truth, harbor resentment, and leave the oppressed with no defender. We break Your holy law, leave undone what

You command, and delight in what You have forbidden. Merciful Lord, we humbly ask that You would forgive us and change our hearts. Conform us to the image of Your Son. Holy Spirit, work in us we pray, that we might be like You.

Silent Reflection/Confession *Please take a few moments to pray privately*

Proclamation of Forgiveness Hebrews 2:18 Rev. Warren
Because Jesus Himself suffered when He was tempted,
He is able to help those who are being tempted.

***Song of Renewal** "Shout to the Lord" *Zscheb*³
My Jesus, my Savior, Shout to the Lord
Lord there is none like You, All the earth let us sing,
All of my days, I want to praise, Power and majesty praise to the King.
The wonders of Your mighty love. Mountains bow down
My comfort, my shelter, And the seas will roar,
Tower of refuge and strength. At the sound of Your name.
Let every breath, all that I am, I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Never cease to worship You. Forever I'll love You, forever I'll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise
I have in You.

(Repeat all)

Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

***The Peace of God** *This is an opportunity to extend the grace of Christ to one another.*

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you!
People: And also with you!

Prayers for Christ's Church and the World Rev. Warren
Praise Requests

Greeting and Announcements Mrs. Terry Cosgrove
Children ages 3-6 are excused to **Kids' Quest** at this time.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Psalm Singing (48) "O Lord Most High, With All My Heart" *arr. E. Miller*

***Scripture Reading** (Pg. 379) Psalm 9 Mr. Brian Cosgrove

Reader: The Word of the Lord.
People: Thanks be to God!

The Sermon "Faithful and Forsaken for the Fallen" Rev. Warren
Psalms: Singing Christ's Praise in Community

The Offertory

***Affirmation of Faith** The Apostles' Creed⁴
Minister: Christian, what do you believe concerning God, the Father?
People: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.
Minister: What do you believe concerning Jesus?
People: I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and buried; He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
Minister: Christian, what do you believe concerning the Holy Spirit and His work?

People: I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic⁵ church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***Doxology** *LAST UNSERFREUEN*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Alleluia, alleluia Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

A Word About Communion: This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, communion is a time to meet with their Savior by faith to be strengthened and renewed as they eat bread and drink wine. All those who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, and are at peace with their fellow Christians are welcome to come forward. For those not taking communion, we invite you to consider the prayers found below.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: The Lord be with you.
People: And also with you.
Minister: Lift up your hearts.
People: We lift them up unto the Lord.
Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Words of Institution & Invitation

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.
People: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
Minister: O Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world,
People: Have mercy upon us!
Minister: O Lamb of God, that takes away the sin of the world,
People: Grant us your peace!
Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.
People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.
Minister: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Approaching the King's Feast

Please listen carefully to the minister's explanation of communion.

All those who are prepared to come to the Lord's table can come forward. If you are not yet prepared to come, with all the responsibilities that entails, this is a loving environment within which to consider your estate before a holy and merciful God. Please use the prayers below as an aid. Both wine and grape juice are available (juice is in the outer circle of the trays).

***Communion Song** (32) "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" *Runyan*

COMMISSIONING FOR SERVICE

***Concluding Prayer** Rev. Warren

***The Benediction** Hebrews 13:20-21 Rev. Warren
Minister: Now the God of peace, who brought up from the dead the great Shepherd of the sheep through the blood of the eternal covenant, even Jesus our Lord, equip you in every good thing to do His will, working in us that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory forever and ever.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

Postlude

¹ Each Sunday is a celebration of the resurrection from the dead by Jesus. His triumph over death is the basis for our hope. The first day of the week now points us forward to the certainty of His return.

*** Please stand, if you are able. Thank you.**

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⁴ The Apostles' Creed is a concise summary of the teachings of the apostles. Originally used as a baptismal confession in the second century, it was developed into its current form by the sixth or seventh century.

⁵ The term "catholic" is used here in its generic sense of the universal church, not to refer to a denomination.

Reflections

Trust hurts
Why does trust equal suffering

—Megadeth
“Trust”

Trust entirely in God, and when He brings you to the venture, see that you take it. We act like pagans in a crisis, only one out of a crowd is daring enough to bank his faith in the character of God.

— Oswald Chambers

God can be trusted even when he cannot be seen or understood.

— Sinclair B. Ferguson

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

*If you would like to use this time to speak silently to God,
we hope that the prayers below will be a help to you.*

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the Life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

**Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church exists to
Worship Christ in Community,
As We Celebrate and Extend His Grace
to Portland, New England, and the world.**

Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination committed to the historic Christian faith.

Musicians: Eric Mathis, vocalist; Rebecca Heilie, flute; Beth Almquist, French Horn;

Johnathan Bauer, piano.

Serving Communion: Doug Warren and Doug Tedder.

CHRIST THE REDEEMER

Highlights.....July 1, 2007

OPPORTUNITIES TO PRAY TOGETHER

Friday Morning Prayer-*Park Ave Church of God-Portland*
Sunday Morning Prayer-*Breakwater School*

Fridays at 6:30 AM
Sundays at 9:30 AM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today

Please stay for refreshments after the service and get better acquainted with one another.

Summer Adult Sunday School

Beginning today there is an adult class from 9:15 - 10:15 a.m. beginning on July 1 and continuing through August 5. There will be no child care for this class, but all are welcome. David Stewart is our teacher.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a Congregational Meeting of the membership of Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church on Sunday, July 15, 2007. The meeting will be held here at Breakwater School following the worship service. Please plan now on attending this important meeting. Everyone is invited to attend.

VBS/Sports Camp

Our VBS and Soccer Camp will be held July 23-27. A team of 14 folks are coming from Covenant Presbyterian in Fayetteville, GA. They will need us to assist them. The sign up sheet is on the greeter table. Please sign up to help as soon as possible indicating how many days you can attend.

Central Maine Mission

The session shared with us a few weeks ago about the support raising that is needed for beginning the daughter church. Don't forget to turn your pledge card in. Remember that Per has a matching grant which will double the amount of your gift! If you need more information please see Per or one of the other elders. Also indicate pledges for prayer as this is also very much needed and appreciated.

Teaching Position

A full-time Fifth Grade teaching position is open at Greater Portland Christian School. If you are interested in applying for this position, call the school between 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m., Monday-Friday at 767-5123 to ask for an application. The completed application and a copy of your college transcript must be returned to the school by July 9, 2007. Maine teacher certification is required. If you have any questions, please call Lori Libby at the school.

Dates to Remember

Session Meetings
Church Retreat

First and Third Tuesday evenings- 6:00-9:00 PM
September 21-22, 2007

SERVICE AND OFFERINGS

	This Week	Next Week
Set Up	Woodward Team	Guliani Team
Nursery	Wendy & Kaylie Stewart	Sarah Peters & Trisha Scribellito
Kid's Q	Linda & Noah Southwick	Paula & Alison Marchand
Sound	Jordan Stewart	Jordan Stewart
Prayer	Doug Tedder	Robert Crosby

Finances: Last week our collection was \$1,976.00. Thank you for your gifts to the Lord.

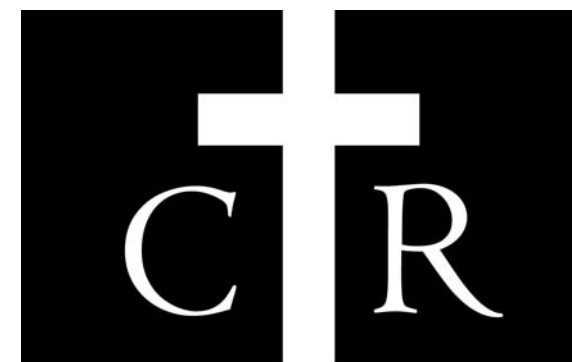
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