# Lord's Day Worship

\*(Asterisk) indicates Please stand as you are able.

Welcome, Announcements

## **PRAISE**

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 124:8

Pastor Douglas: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Congregation: Who made heaven and earth.

\*Song Praise to the Lord, The Almighty

\*Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, you have given us the law of Moses and the teachings of Jesus to direct us in the way of life. You offer us your Holy Spirit so that we can be born to new life as your children. Yet, O God, we confess that the ways of death have a strong attraction and that we often succumb to their lure. Give us the vision and courage to choose and nurture life, that we may receive your blessing. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

\*Assurance of Pardon

Ezekiel 36:25-26

Pastor Douglas: I will sprinkle clean water upon you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleanness, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. A new heart I will give you, and new spirit I will put within you; and I will remove from your body the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

\*Westminster Shorter Catechism #2

Pastor Douglas: What authority from God directs us how to glorify and enjoy him?

Congregation: The only authority for glorifying and enjoying him is the Bible, which is the Word of God and is made up of the Old and New Testaments.

### RENEWAL

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 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.

\*\*Children Dismissed\*\*

\*Offering and the 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.

### THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Reading Exodus 32:1-10

New Testament Reading Colossians 1:15-20

Sermon Text Exodus 20:4-6

Sermon "The Second Commandment"

\*Song O, Church Arise

\*Benediction

\*Dismissal

Pastor Douglas: Christ Presbyterian Church, what is your mission?

Congregation: We go forth in the power of the Spirit to serve God's world as the head, heart, and hands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **SERMON NOTES**

"The Second Commandment"

I) Introduction - "it is not sufficient to cast images out of the heart by the preaching of the word unless they are removed also from sacred places" Francis Turretin (1623- 1687).

- II) The Text Exodus 20:4-6
- **A) Exodus 20:4** The negative command and prohibition against idols.
  - B) Exodus 20:5 Covenantal Curse
  - C) Exodus 20:6 Covenantal Blessing
- **III) Application -** He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all of creation (Col 1:15).
  - A) Preaching Galatians 3:1
- **B)** Sacraments The sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper are *visible* signs of the covenant of grace.
- **C) Visual Representation -** Why the need for visual representation when the Scriptures give us word pictures?
- **IV) Conclusion** With fallen eyes, we see Christ through the eyes of faith in this age. In the age to come with our resurrected bodies and new eyes we will behold the Son of God in all his glory and perfection.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

**HEALING AND COMFORT:** 

**EPC PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST**: Pray this week for Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church in Wenatchee, WA and their Pastor Rev. Philip Pent.

MISSIONS: Please pray for the work and mission

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

TESS FOLKES PLAY:

**NEW WED NIGHT STUDY:** You're invited to the new Wednesday night study, meeting every Wednesday in May, starting on **May 1**<sup>st</sup>. The teachings focusing on the end times, will be led by Pastor Douglas. The group will meet in the **worship space** at **7:00 PM**. In person attendance is encouraged, but there will be a live stream as well.

**APRIL CPW:** Christ Pres Women will meet on **April 20**<sup>th</sup> from **11:30-1:30** at the **Ministry Center.** Jaclyn Palmer will be presenting. Bring a friend and a potluck dish to share! Be sure to sign up at the information table. Contact Dottie for more details.

**NEXT STEP FUNDRAISER:** We have reached our goal as a church to raise **\$5,000** to adopt a room at the Next Step facility! Thank you to all those who have donated! This gift will help to make a difference in the lives of those in our community in need of a transitional living solution.

**MICHAEL MEADOWS:** We are excited to welcome Michael on staff as the new music director here at Christ Pres! Michael will be leading music on Sunday's in June, and start in the office in July.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** A 12-week women's Bible study on the Book of Revelation meets **Saturdays** at **10:30 AM** in the **Ministry Center**. For more info, please contact Julie

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Is on **Thursdays** at **8:15 AM** at the **Ministry Center**. Donuts are provided.

**WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING:** You are invited to the weekly prayer meeting on **Fridays** at **Noon** at the **Ministry Center**.

If you are visiting with us this week, please feel free to have your children, join our children's program, and visit with Pastor Douglas or email/call the church office if you have any questions.



...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything." Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

April 14, 2024 | Rev. Douglas Kortyna
"The Second Commandment"
Exodus 20:4-6

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