

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Christ the King Presbyterian Church

May 1, 2011

*Christian Year: The First Sunday after Easter*

---

### Preparation for Worship

[W]e have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.

*2 Corinthians 4:7*

The gospel is the ultimate story that shows victory coming out of defeat, strength coming out of weakness, life coming out of death, rescue from abandonment. And because it is a true story, it gives us hope because we know life is really like that.

*Timothy Keller*

The history of the world is a field strewn with broken stones ... flawed lives of [God's] faithful servants. God means for us to consider their lives and peer through the imperfections of their faith and behold the beauty of their God.

*John Piper*

---

### \*Call to Worship *from Psalm 103* The Rev. Jared Huffman

Minister: Praise the LORD, O my soul;  
all my inmost being, praise his holy name!

People: **Praise the LORD, O my soul,  
and forget not all his benefits!**

Minister: He forgives all your sins, heals all your diseases,  
redeems your life from the pit, crowns you with love  
and compassion, and satisfies your desires with good  
things so that your strength is renewed like the eagle's!

People: **Praise the LORD, all his works everywhere in his  
dominion. Praise the LORD, O my soul!**

### \*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty *Hymn No. 53 (Stanzas 1-2, 4-5)*

*LOBE DEN HERREN*

### \*Prayer of Adoration

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.

### \*Affirmation of Faith

*Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1*

Minister: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: **That I belong—body and soul, in life and in death—  
not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,  
who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all  
my sins and has completely freed me from the  
dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that  
without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can  
fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his  
purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by his Holy  
Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me  
wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live  
for him.**

---

*\*Lift High the Cross*  
Hymn No. 263 (1, 3-5)

CRUCIFER

Prayer for Christ's Church and the World

Matt Tompson

*O God beyond All Praising*  
Hymn No. 660

THAXTED

‡Prayer of Confession

Everlasting Father, you have made us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they rest in you. We confess that we have been foolish; we have strayed from you and have wandered on our own way. But you have been merciful to us by sending your only Son to take the form of a servant, and to be obedient even to death on a cross.

We confess that we have not faithfully loved you, or adequately cared for our neighbors. We have not had the same mind that was in Christ, or shared in his humility. Therefore, pour out your grace upon us that we might enjoy purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing you, no weakness keep us from loving you, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

\*Words of Assurance

Psalm 103:8-13

Minister: The LORD is merciful and gracious,  
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
He will not always chide,  
nor will he keep his anger forever.

People: **He does not deal with us according to our sins,  
nor repay us according to our iniquities.**

Minister: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,  
so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

People: **As far as the east is from the west,  
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.**

Minister: As a father shows compassion to his children,  
so the LORD shows compassion to those who fear him.

\*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

HYFRYDOL

1. Je - sus! what a Friend for sin - ners! Je - sus! lov - er  
of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes as - sail me,  
he, my Sav - ior, makes me whole.  
Hal - le - lu - jah! what a Sav - ior! Ha - le - lu - jah!  
what a Friend! Sav - ing, help - ing, keep - ing, lov - ing,  
he is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him;  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing,  
He, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

*Refrain:*  
Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! what a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,  
Even when my heart is breaking,  
He, my comfort, helps my soul. (*Refrain*)

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find;  
He has granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. (*Refrain*)

#### **\*The Peace of God**

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

*In the 9:30 service, children (four years old – 2nd grade) are dismissed for Children's Worship.  
Parents and guardians, please escort departing children into the Gathering Hall.*

#### **Announcements**

#### **The Offering**

*Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* NETTLETON  
*Joe Deegan, John Trapp, and Campbell Silman, trio*

**Scripture Reading** Pam and Roger Cooner  
2 Corinthians 4:1-7  
*Page 965 in the black Bibles*

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

**The Sermon** "Ceramic Curios and Clay Containers"  
Dr. H. Andrew Silman  
*Minister, Cornerstone Presbyterian Church, Brevard, NC*

*Be Thou My Vision* SLANE  
*Hymn No. 642 (Stanzas 1-3)*

### **INSTALLATION OF PETER CLAY HOLLAND AS SENIOR MINISTER OF CHRIST THE KING PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

**Explanation of Installation** The Rev. Bradley Wright  
*Minister, Redeemer Presbyterian, Sugar Land*

**The Installation Questions** Andy Yung  
*Ruling Elder, Grace Presbyterian, The Woodlands*

1. Are you now willing to take charge of this congregation as their pastor, agreeable to your declaration in accepting its call?
2. Do you conscientiously believe and declare, as far as you know in your own heart, that, in taking upon you this charge, you are influenced by a sincere desire to promote the glory of God and the good of the Church?

3. Do you solemnly promise that, by the assistance of the grace of God, you will endeavor faithfully to discharge all the duties of a pastor to this congregation, and will be careful to maintain a deportment in all respects becoming a minister of the Gospel of Christ, agreeable to your ordination engagements?

**Questions to the Congregation**

Tim Brown  
*Ruling Elder, Christ the King Presbyterian*

1. Do you, the people of this congregation, continue to profess your readiness to receive Clay Holland, whom you have called to be your pastor?
2. Do you promise to receive the word of truth from his mouth with meekness and love, and to submit to him in the due exercise of discipline?
3. Do you promise to encourage him in his labors, and to assist his endeavors for your instruction and spiritual edification?
4. Do you engage to continue to him while he is your pastor that competent worldly maintenance which you have promised, and to furnish him with whatever you may see needful for the honor of religion and for his comfort among you?

**Charge to the Minister**

The Rev. Leo R. Schuster III  
*Associate Minister, Redeemer Presbyterian, New York City  
Former Senior Minister, Christ the King Presbyterian, Houston*

**Laying on of Hands & Installation Prayer**

Brad Wright

**Pronouncement and Right Hand of Fellowship**

**Charge to the Congregation**

John Durie  
*Ruling Elder, Christ the King Presbyterian*

***Be Thou My Vision***

*Hymn No. 642 (Stanzas 4-5)*

SLANE

## CELEBRATION OF HOLY COMMUNION

*Communion is an opportunity for all of us to seek the Lord. It is an occasion for baptized Christians to be strengthened by our Savior. All who trust alone in Christ as Savior and Lord, belong to (and are in good standing with) a church that embraces the Gospel, live at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully are welcome to come forward. If you are not a Christian, we invite you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers printed below.*

*Children who have not received their first communion should come forward with their hands folded and the wine server will pray for them.*

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.**

**Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution**

Minister: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith.

**All: Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

Minister: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.**

Minister: The gifts of God are for the people of God.

*Please let an usher know if it is difficult for you to come forward.  
We would be happy to serve you at your seat.*

*If you would like gluten-free communion bread, please request it from your server.  
We serve wine during communion. If you prefer grape juice, please request it when served.*

---

## **Communion Prayers**

### 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 of 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 of Humble Access

*I do not presume to come to this your table, O merciful Lord, trusting in my own goodness, but only in your righteousness credited to me. I am not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But you are the same Lord whose manner is always to show mercy. Grant me, therefore, O Lord, the grace to commune now with Christ by faith, that I may evermore live in him and he in me. Amen.*

---

### ***Jesus, I Come***

*Sleeper/Thompson*

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy freedom, gladness, and light, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of my sickness into thy health,  
Out of my wanting and into thy wealth;  
Out of my sin and into thyself, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm,  
Out of life's storms and into thy calm;  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold,  
Into the peace of thy sheltering fold;  
Ever thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to thee.

### ***His Love Can Never Fail***

*Hall/Miner*

I do not ask to see the way my feet will have to tread;  
But only that my soul may feed upon the living bread.  
'Tis better far that I should walk by faith close to his side;  
I may not know the way to go, but oh, I know my Guide.

*Refrain:*

His love can never fail, his love can never fail.  
My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail.  
My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail.

And if my feet would go astray, they cannot, for I know  
That Jesus guides my faltering steps, as joyfully I go.  
And though I may not see his face, my faith is strong and clear,  
That in each hour of sore distress my Savior will be near. (*Refrain*)

I will not fear, though darkness come abroad o'er all the land,  
If only I may feel the touch of his own loving hand.  
And though I tremble when I think how weak I am, and frail,  
My soul is satisfied to know his love can never fail. (*Refrain*)

***O Love that Will Not Let Me Go***

*Matheson/Miner*

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine oceans depth its flow  
May richer fuller be.

O Light that follow'st all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray,  
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead,  
And from the ground there blossoms red  
Life that shall endless be.

**\*Concluding Prayer**

Almighty God, the giver of all good gifts, in your divine providence you have appointed various offices in your Church: Give your grace, we humbly pray, to all who are called to serve and minister to your people; and so fill them with the truth of your teaching and clothe them with holiness of life, that they may faithfully serve before you, to the glory of your great Name and for the benefit of your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**\*The Benediction**

The Rev. P. Clay Holland

Minister: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

People: **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

---

*Serving in Worship today: Mark Austin, trumpet; Cindy Cook, organ; Oleg Sulyga, violin;  
Lovie Smith-Wright, percussion; Amy Wiggs, flute; Steven Wiggs, cello.  
Aimee Johnson and Rob Lee, vocalists.  
Sidney Kennard (9:30) and Wes Hinton (11:00), worship assistants.*

*Lyrics printed by permission: CCLI # 1268735*

*Scripture quotations are from the Holy Bible, English Standard Version, © 2007 Crossway Bibles, a division of Good News Publishers. Used by permission. All rights reserved.*