

Sample Bulletin



**CHRIST CHURCH
JONESBOROUGH**

MONTH, DAY, YEAR
10:00AM

ORDER OF WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP: PSALM 105:1-4

- 1** Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!
- 2** Serve the Lord with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
- 3** Know that the Lord, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- 4** Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!
- 5** For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

SONG OF ADORATION: COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

1. Come people of the Risen King,
who delight to bring Him praise;
come all, and tune your hearts to sing
to the Morning Star of grace.
From the shifting shadows of the earth,
we will lift our eyes to Him,
where steady arms of mercy reach
To gather children in.

(continued...)

WHAT IS PARTICIPATORY WORSHIP?

To worship God is to acknowledge His supreme worth. Therefore, worship shouldn't be the performance of a few but an action we all are called to participate in. (Psalm 100)

WHY A CALL TO WORSHIP?

It is a fundamental truth that we don't call on God first but that He first calls us into worship so that we can experience His grace. (Deuteronomy 7:6-9)

WHAT IS A PRAYER OF INVOCATION?

Invocation is Latin for "to call upon." After God calls us into worship, we respond by asking him to bless our service with His overflowing goodness. (Psalm 96; Colossians 3:16)

SONG OF ADORATION (CONTINUED)

Chorus:

Rejoice, rejoice! Let ev'ry tongue rejoice!
one heart, one voice;
O Church of Christ, rejoice!

2. Come those whose joy is morning sun,
and those weeping through the night;
come those who tell of battles won,
and those struggling in the fight.
For his perfect love will never change,
and his mercies never cease,
but follow us through all our days
with the certain hope of peace. (*Chorus*)

3. Come young and old from ev'ry land,
men and women of the faith;
come those with full or empty hands—
find the riches of His grace.
Over all the world, his people sing—
shore to shore we hear them call
the truth that cries through ev'ry age,
“Our God is all in all.” (*Chorus*)

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN (SELECTIONS FROM Ps 51)

Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my transgressions. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

Cleanse me, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from your presence,
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and uphold me with a willing spirit.

SILENT CONFESSION

WHAT IS SIN?

Sin is any lack of conformity unto, or transgression of, the law of God. WSC 14
(1 John 3:4)

WHY ARE WE CALLED TO CONFESS OUR SINS CORPORATELY?

There are no exceptions—we all sin and need God's forgiveness. This is true for the most seasoned Christian and the newest Christian in the room. We are acknowledging that corporate reality by confessing together. (Nehemiah 9:33)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: PSALM 103:8, 10-12

8 The LORD is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

10 He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

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

12 as far as the east is from the west,
so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

SONG OF GRATITUDE: O THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS!

1. O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free;
rolling as a mighty ocean
in its fullness over me.
Underneath me, all around me,
is the current of thy love;
leading onward, leading homeward,
to thy glorious rest above.

2. O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Spread his praise from shore to shore;
how He loveth, ever loveth,
changeth never, nevermore;
how He watches o'er his loved ones,
died to call them all his own;
how for them He intercedeth,
watcheth o'er them from the throne.

3. O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
Love of ev'ry love the best:
'tis an ocean vast of blessing,
'tis a haven sweet of rest.
O the deep, deep love of Jesus!
'tis a heav'n of heav'ns to me;
and it lifts me up to glory,
for it lifts me up to Thee.

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WHAT IS AN ASSURANCE OF PARDON?

This is the reminder that God will, with the absolute certainty of His perfect Word, forgive every sinner who comes to Him with a true heart of repentance and faith in Jesus Christ.
(1 John 2:1-2)

WHY DO WE SING TOGETHER?

Singing is one of the most powerful expressions we express as human beings and is even more powerful when our voices are joined together.
(Psalm 100)

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: HEIDELBERG CATECHISM (1563)

Q1. What is your only comfort in life and in death?

A. That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

Q2. How many things are necessary for you to know, that in this comfort you may live and die happily?

A. Three things: First, the greatness of my sin and misery. Second, how I am redeemed from all my sins and misery. Third, how I am to be thankful to God for such redemption.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH AND THE WORLD, (CONCLUDING WITH) THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING: PSALM 1

1 Blessed is the man
who walks not in the counsel of the wicked,
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of scoffers;

2 but his delight is in the law of the LORD,
and on his law he meditates day and night.

3 He is like a tree
planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not wither.
In all that he does, he prospers.

4 The wicked are not so,
but are like chaff that the wind drives away.

5 Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment,
nor sinners in the congregation of the righteous;

6 for the LORD knows the way of the righteous,
but the way of the wicked will perish.

WHAT IS AN AFFIRMATION OF FAITH?

This is a time that we encourage one another by joining our voices with the saints, past, present, and future, to profess our trust in Jesus Christ.

(2 Timothy 1:13)

WHAT IS PRAYER?

Prayer is an offering up of our desires unto God, for things agreeable to His will, in the name of Christ, with confession of our sins, and thankful acknowledgment of his mercies.

WSC 98

(Phil. 4:6; 1 John 5:14)

WHY DO WE PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER TOGETHER?

To remind ourselves in the manner we are to pray since we are so prone to forget.

(Matt 6:9-13; Luke 11:2-4)

WHY DO WE PREACH FROM THE BIBLE?

We believe the Bible is the very word of God, and therefore, a living book, able to transform us as we sit under its teaching. (2 Tim. 3:14-17)

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord

TOGETHER: Thanks be to God

SERMON:

THE MAN
DAVID WILSON
STATED SUPPLY

OFFERING (DURING SONG OF RESPONSE)

SONG OF RESPONSE: HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

1. When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

Chorus:

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

2. Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His Promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast. (Chorus)

3. For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
'til our faith is turned to sight,
when He comes at last! (Chorus)

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**WHY DO WE INCLUDE AN
OFFERING IN OUR
SERVICE?**

This doesn't just support the work of the church but is an opportunity to acknowledge that everything we have is God's (2 Cor. 8:1-15)

You can give during worship in the offering baskets or through the QR code below.



**WHAT IS THE LORD'S
SUPPER?**

The Lord's Supper is a Sacrament, wherein, by giving and receiving bread and wine, according to Christ's appointment, his death is showed forth; and the worthy receivers are, not after a corporal and carnal manner, but by faith, made partakers of his body and blood, with all his benefits, to their spiritual nourishment and growth in grace.

WSC 96

(1 Cor. 10:16; 1 Cor. 11:20-23)

TOGETHER: This meal is observed in remembrance of Christ, to show forth His death till He come; it is of invaluable benefit to strengthen His people against sin; to support us under troubles; to encourage and invigorate us in duty; to inspire us with love and zeal; to increase our faith and holy resolve; and to produce peace of conscience and comfortable hopes of eternal life

LEADER: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again

TOGETHER: Blessed are all who take refuge in Him

*Red is wine, white is grape juice.
Gluten-free crackers are in a cup in the basket.

SONG OF REFLECTION: WE WILL FEAST IN THE HOUSE OF ZION

Chorus:

We will feast in the house of Zion.
We will sing with our hearts restored.
He has done great things, we will say together.
We will feast and weep no more.

1. We will not be burned by the fire;
He is the Lord, our God.
We are not consumed by the flood;
upheld, protected, gathered up. (Chorus)

2. In the dark of night, before the dawn
my soul, be not afraid.
For the promised morning, O, how long?
O God of Jacob, be my strength. (Chorus)

3. Every vow we've broken and betrayed,
You are the faithful one.
And from the garden to the grave,
bind us together, bring shalom. (Chorus)

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WHY DO WE TAKE COMMUNION EVERY WEEK?

To take advantage of the grace God offers every time we join together.
(Acts 2:42-47)

SHOULD I TAKE COMMUNION?

If you have trusted in Jesus and have publicly professed Him before a church, then we emphatically say, "Yes!" If you haven't yet trusted in Christ or are living in hidden sin, we'd love to talk more with you. (1 Cor. 11:28-29)

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY: 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.

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AFTER THE SERVICE

Kids Club: age 5 - 5th grade upstairs
Refreshments: in the concession area
Youth/Adult Book Study: in the auditorium

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

JAMA

Our Community Care team volunteers every third Thursday at the local food pantry from 4:30-6:30pm. If you'd be interested in helping, contact Stephen Carter

WHAT IS A BENEDICTION?

Benediction is Latin for "good word." It is the pronouncement of God's favor as we go out. (2 Cor. 13:14)

WANT TO CONNECT FURTHER?

Join our email list, schedule a time to meet, and/or let us know about a prayer request.





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Jonesborough

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRAYER TIME

All are welcome to gather in the mezzanine level concession area from 9 AM to 9:30 AM on Sundays for prayer for the Roberts family and the congregation.

BOOK STUDY CONTINUES TODAY AFTER THE WORSHIP SERVICE

Adults and youth will discuss *Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy: Discovering the Grace of Lament* by Mark Vroegop.

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GROUPS

WOMEN'S GROUP— First Thursdays @ various times

CONTACT: Lauren Reichart

MEN'S GROUP— Second Sundays @ Neuma Coffee, 4:00pm

CONTACT: Rob Hemp

MOM'S GROUP— Third Saturdays @ Corner Cup, 10:00am

CONTACT: Bing Wilt

YOUTH GROUP— various activities throughout the year

CONTACT: Joanna Hemp

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