

# Order for the Worship of God

## Welcome & Announcements

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### GATHERING

Welcome (from HC #35)

L What does it mean that he “was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary”?

**C That the eternal Son of God, who is and remains true and eternal God, took to himself, through the working of the Holy Spirit, from the flesh and blood of the virgin Mary, a truly human nature so that he might also become David’s true descendant, like his brothers and sisters in every way.**

Prayer

\*Opening Hymn (Blue #27) *“Gentle Mary Laid Her Child”*

Worship from the Psalms *(Psalm 113:11-18, ESV)*

L The Lord swore to David a sure oath from which he will not turn back:

**C “One of the sons of your body I will set on your throne.**

L If your sons keep my covenant and my testimonies that I shall teach them,

**C Their sons also forever shall sit on your throne.”**

L For the Lord has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his dwelling place:

**C “This is my resting place forever; here I will dwell, for I have desired it.**

L I will abundantly bless her provisions; I will satisfy her poor with bread.

**C Her priests I will clothe with salvation, and her saints will shout for joy.**

L There I will make a horn to sprout for David; I have prepared a lamp for my anointed.

**C His enemies I will clothe with shame, but on him his crown will shine.”**

Prayer of Confession

**Dear God, You are a great and awesome God. Today we come to you in a prayer of confession. We are sorry for the many things that we have done that are wrong in your eyes. We are also sorry for all the things we should have done but we didn't do. We are asking now for forgiveness for these things, and for other things that we have done wrong and don't even know about. Please forgive us. In your name alone we pray, Amen.**

*Please take a moment and offer your silent personal prayers to God...*

Silent Prayers of Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

### PROCLAIMING GOD’S WORD

Special Music *“Christ the Lord”*

The Heidelberg Catechism *(HC #36)*

L How does the holy conception and birth of Christ benefit you?

**C He is our mediator, and, in God’s sight, he covers with his innocence and perfect holiness my sinfulness in which I was conceived.**

Prayers for Illumination

Sermon Text Reading *Matthew 1:18-23 (ESV), p. 959*

*John 10:22-30 (ESV), p. 1055-1056*

Message *Bruce Brown*

Prayer of Affirmation

### RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

\* Hymn (Blue #492) *“Baptized in Water”*

The Presentation

## Profession of Faith

Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, he is seated on the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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

## The Baptism

Laying On of Hands

Welcome

## 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**

## SENDING OUT

\*Closing Hymn (Blue #34)

*"In Bethlehem a Babe was Born"*

\*Blessing and Benediction

Departing Music

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## ORDER FOR THE WORSHIP OF GOD

June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026

10:00 a.m.

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## Welcome to our Worship!

*We are glad to have you with us today. May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you. Everyone is welcome for refreshments and fellowship after worship. Thank you, Lynn Yarnell, for being liturgist today.*

Our **offering** is received on the back table in the sanctuary.

You can give online using the **QR code** or donate from our **website**.

Please volunteer to be **liturgist** or **bring cookies**.

Signups are on the table in the south alcove.



Next week we will be moving **church services** downstairs.

**Connect to Community** will be at 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>.

The **227th General Assembly of the PC(USA)** meets from Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> to Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>. If there is any news that is important for our congregation, I will pass it on.

On Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, we will be joining several other Presbyterian churches for a **joint worship in the Bryan Presbyterian Church**. Please meet at the church at 9:30 a.m. for a 9:45 departure. There will also be a potluck after church. Signup sheets are on the table in the south alcove.

**Arise Freedom Encounter** for the women of the church will be at 9AM on July 25<sup>th</sup> at the Napoleon American Legion. Lunch is included. Tickets are available for \$15 on their webpage:

<https://www.givebutter.com/2026-restoration-retreat-napoleon-vl1udl>

### CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**VANCREST:** Dollie Smith

**BEACHWOOD:** Connie Cobb

**ALPINE VILLAGE:** Sandy Johnson

**PRAYER LIST:** Carol Detmer, Sandee Scheweter, Kathy Schilens (Jana Schroeder's sister), Enoch Castro Vásquez (Olga Hall's father), Jacob Clegg (Brenda Stough's friend), Betty Sladek (Ed Sladek's Wife)

### Christ the Lord - Evie Clair | Lyrics

Words and music by Nik Day Arranged by Gavin McMahan, Mitch Davis, and Nik Day Produced by Gavin McMahan and Mitch Davis

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PgHChKyhpHw>

The night was silent and still,  
The shepherds watched on the hill  
As the heavens were shining.  
The angels sang of His birth,  
Proclaiming joy to the earth,  
And said they would find Him.

In a lowly stable,  
A child of a King  
Lying in a manger.  
All creation sings,  
Oh, glory! Glory!  
Unto us this day is born  
Christ the Lord.  
Christ the Lord.

The ancient prophets foretold  
This royal child would be born  
To lift us from darkness.  
He is the great I Am,  
The Prince of Peace, the Lamb  
That came to save us.

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