

## Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church of New Haven!

*We are delighted that you have chosen to join us in worship this Lord's Day.*

*It is our sincere hope and prayer that you will know the saving presence, power, love and authority of our King and Savior Jesus Christ as a result of our time spent together in worship.*

*We would also like to get more acquainted with you, so please take the time to **fill out the register** as it comes down your row during the announcements. Please use the prayer card located in the inside pocket of the register or the back of pews to communicate your prayer requests or other concerns and place it in the basket on the back table as you leave the worship service. Your requests are prayed for during the week.*

*We also hope you will join us for **coffee & tea following the worship service.***

*As a church, we value family worship, and therefore children of all ages are welcome to join us in the worship service at their parents' discretion. However, **childcare** is available (off of the foyer area - Children's Education Wing) for parents who wish to take advantage of it (there is no age restriction). Please do not hesitate to ask a greeter for assistance.*

**Introduction and Welcome to CPC** - please pick up your free copy on the table located at the foyer entrance.

**Our Offices are adjacent to the sanctuary.** Core office hours at CPC are from 8:30 am to 2:30 pm Monday-Thursday. Should you need to use our facilities, please call our Administrator to make arrangements. We are currently building a unique library and reading room containing various selections of books, journals, children's literature and tapes (library is located in our balcony area). Selections may be checked out or you are welcome to drop by for a reading break from your busy schedule.

**Parking - On Sundays**, please reserve the on-site parking lot for our visitors & parents with small children. In courtesy to our neighbors, please do not park in front of Bradley St. homes, but use the RIS parking lot located next door. **During the week**, please contact our administrator for parking information as most of our spaces are rented out during the week. And, for safety reasons, exit the lot on the Bradley Street side only. Thank you.

**Log onto: [christpresnewhaven.org](http://christpresnewhaven.org) for more information or calendar events.**

**You may also call 777-6960 and press 5 to hear weekly events.**

**Sermon** MP3's are downloadable online or are available upon request for \$3 per CD. To order a copy, please fill out a request sheet (located in the Media Center/Reading Room in the Fellowship Hall) and place your payment into the container labeled Media Payments.

*As a church committed to Greater New Haven, we meet in the middle of the region we hope to serve and reach, which consists of both downtown New Haven and the surrounding edge towns. We believe that the gospel transcends all ethnic, social, and demographic boundaries. We are ambitious for the glory of God and aim to extend a Christ-centered gospel throughout Greater New Haven.*

**We reuse bulletin covers - if you do not need one - please place covers on the foyer table as you leave.**

# THE WORSHIP OF GOD

## Service Order 4

February 18, 2007

10:30 am

### Prelude & Pre-Worship Meditation

#### Opening Songs of Praise and Worship

##### *Jesus, Cast a Look*

1. *Jesus cast a look on me,  
Give me sweet simplicity.  
Make me poor and keep me low,  
Seeking only Thee to know.*

2. *All that feeds my busy pride,  
Cast it evermore aside  
Bid my will to Thine submit,  
Lay me humbly at Thy feet*

3. *Make me like a little child,  
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled.  
Seeing only in Thy light,  
Walking only in Thy might.*

4. *Leaning on Thy loving breast,  
Where a weary soul can rest.  
Feeling well the peace of God,  
Flowing from His precious blood.*

5. *In this posture let me live,  
And hosannas daily give.  
In this temper let me die,  
And hosannas ever cry!*

##### *\* Come and Rejoice*

*Come with rejoicing, the Father is calling,  
those who would worship in spirit and truth;  
Come with your singing, come with thanksgiving,  
Jesus, our Savior, has made all things new.*

*Come and rejoice, O holy nation,  
come and sing praises to him;  
come and bow down, worship before him,  
Jesus, the King of all Kings,  
Jesus, the King of all Kings.*

*Lord of creation is full of compassion,  
seated in splendor adorned with all grace;  
majestic and glorious, reigning victorious,  
now and forever enthroned on our praise.*

##### *Chorus*

*\*Congregation Standing*

*With the sound of the trumpet he summons the nations,  
calling a priesthood to go in His name;  
to show forth His power to this generation,  
to worship before him, a kingdom of praise.*

*Chorus*

#### WORSHIP THROUGH INVOCATION AND ADORATION

\*Call to Worship: Revelation 5:11-14

Leader: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

People: *"Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"*

Leader: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all therein, saying,

People: *"To him who sits upon the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might for ever and ever!"*

Leader: And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" and the elders fell down and worshiped.

\*Hymn of Praise: *Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim*

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*Exalt the Lord, His praise proclaim;  
All ye His servants, praise His Name,  
Who in the Lord's house ever stand  
And humbly serve at His command.  
The Lord is good, His praise proclaim;  
Since it is pleasant, praise His Name;  
His people for His own He takes  
And His peculiar treasure makes.*

*I know the Lord is high in state,  
Above all gods our Lord is great;  
The Lord performs what He decrees,  
In heaven and earth, in depths and seas.  
He makes the vapors to ascend  
In clouds from earth's remotest end;  
The lightning flash at His command,  
He holds the tempest in His hand.*

\*Congregation Standing

*Exalt the Lord, His praise proclaim;  
All ye His servants, praise His Name,  
Who in the Lord's house ever stand  
And humbly serve at His command,  
Forever praise and bless His Name,  
And in the church His praise proclaim;  
In Zion is His dwelling place;  
Praise ye the Lord, show forth His grace.*

\*Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

\*Doxology (#733)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia!  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;  
O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Old Testament Reading: *Isaiah 55:1-11*

New Testament Reading: *John 4:1-26*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: *Thanks be to God!*

Meditation: *Come and Fill*

*[Please take a moment to reflect on the reading of God's Word]*

*Instrumental Meditation – Sing 2x – Instrumental Meditation*

*Come and fill our hearts with your peace, you alone, O Lord are holy.  
Come and fill our hearts with your peace, Alleluia.*

## WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Corporate Confession:

*[Participants may kneel or lean forward]*

Leader: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

People: *Father of Lights and Bright Morning Star, we confess that the light  
of your love has been obscured by the darkness of our sin. Thoughts, words, and deeds  
of our own devising hang over us as black and foreboding clouds. Give us eyes to see, O  
Lord, the grievous and heinous nature of our sin. Grant us to hate it with a holy hatred  
and to turn from it with all our might. We give you thanks, you who cause sun to shine  
through the storm, that you have dispersed the storm clouds of your judgment, and have  
made the light of your love and mercy shine into our lives, through the work of your dear  
Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Forgive us for his sake, and enable us to know of the peace  
and consolation of your Holy Spirit. Amen.*

\*Congregation Standing

Private Confession

Absolution

Leader: Hear now God's assurance of pardon:

"He was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed."

*Isaiah 53:5*

Pastoral Prayer

*[Participants may be seated]*

**Prayer for our Members:** Paul Wildey, Stephen Wirth

**Special Needs:** Janine Lempke – upcoming rotator cuff surgery.  
Caitlin Jorgensen – test results.  
Maureen Jackson – wisdom for job decisions.

**Mission to the World:**

**South Africa** - Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Armes, Mr. & Mrs. Tom Austin, Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Borden, Mr. & Mrs. Bill Carr, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Mollenkof, Mr. & Mrs. John Shane, Mr. & Mrs. Doug Stelzig, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Wannemacher, Mr. & Mrs. Matt Wiley, Mr. & Mrs. Bert & Nancy Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Brad Wos

\*Song of Response: *Beneath the Cross of Jesus*

*Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand  
The shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land  
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way  
From the burning of the noontide heat; burden of the day.*

*Upon that cross of Jesus my eyes at times can see  
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me.  
And from my smitten heart with tears two wonders I confess  
The wonders of His glorious love, and my unworthiness.*

*I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place  
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face  
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss.  
My sinful self, my only shame; my glory all the cross.*

\*Congregation Standing

## WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Sermon: *You gonna help a brotha?*

[Sermon notes located on page 10]

Rev. Preston Graham

Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard that Jesus was making and baptizing more disciples than John [2] (although Jesus himself did not baptize, but only his disciples), [3] he left Judea and departed again for Galilee. [4] And he had to pass through Samaria. [5] So he came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. [6] Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

[7] There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." [8] (For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) [9] The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) [10] Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." [11] The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? [12] Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." [13] Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, [14] but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." [15] The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

[16] Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." [17] The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; [18] for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." [19] The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. [20] Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." [21] Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. [22] You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. [23] But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. [24] God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." [25] The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." [26] Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

John 4:1-26 (ESV)

## WORSHIP THROUGH SACRAMENT

Introduction to the Lord's Table

The Collection of the Communion of the Saints

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

2 Corinthians 8:9

Collection Hymn: *Thy Works, Not Mine O Christ* (vs. 1, 3 & 4)

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[A good time to retrieve your children from childcare to experience the Lord's Table, if so desired.]

***Thy works, not mine, O Christ, speak gladness to this heart;  
They tell me all is done; they bid my fear depart.  
To whom, save Thee, Who canst alone  
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?***

***Thy cross, not mine, O Christ, has borne the awful load  
Of sins that none in Heav'n or earth could bear but God.  
To whom, save Thee, Who canst alone  
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?***

*Thy righteousness, O Christ, alone can cover me:  
No righteousness avails save that which is of Thee.  
To whom, save Thee, Who canst alone  
For sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?*

\*Presentation of Gifts

*[Please stand as we present our lives and gifts to Christ at His banquet table.]*

...and they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

*Revelation 4:10-11*

\*Congregation Standing

\*Processional Hymn: *All People That on Earth Do Dwell* (#1)

*All people that on earth do dwell,  
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;  
him serve with fear, his praise forth-tell,  
come ye before him and rejoice.*

\*Confession of Faith

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

*Congregation: We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible, and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to the life in the world to come. Amen.*

*[Nicene Creed, 325 AD]*

\*Congregation Standing

**\*Prayer of Thanksgiving**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**People: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.***

Pastor: Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**All: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.***

***Hosanna in the highest.***

**\*Prayer of Consecration**

**Invitation to the Lord's Table**

*[We use wine in the Lord's Supper, believing it to be the biblical element used. We provide grape juice for those who, out of conscience or reasons of health, do not partake of wine. Grape juice is in the outer rim.]*

**Words of Institution**

**Sharing the Bread and Cup**

***Prayers for those not communing:***

***~Prayer for those searching***

Oh God, I am discovering that the more I have, the more I need to have, the more I am loved, the more I need to be loved, the more I achieve, the more I need to achieve. Nothing seems to satisfy me. "Nothing tastes." Could it be, as someone once said, that "Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee." Dear God, if this is true, and if as the Bible teaches there is life and life eternal in Christ alone, please guide me to him. Open me to the reality of the one who alone can satisfy my restless heart. Give me the courage to believe that which I cannot see but can understand, feel and touch through the word, sacraments and church family. Lord I want to believe, please help me in my unbelief! Amen.

***~Prayer of belief***

Lord God, I now see that I am weaker and more flawed than I ever before believed, but in Christ, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. Even as I have not loved you or my neighbor with all of my heart, you have shown your love for me in that while I am still sinning, Christ died for me and took upon himself the condemnation that I deserve. I now know that You owe me nothing for my efforts, but you offer acceptance, love and blessing into all eternity because of Christ's efforts on my behalf. I therefore ask that you would enable me to turn away from trusting in my own efforts to gain your acceptance and forgiveness, and trust in the perfectly righteous efforts of Christ on my behalf in order to be accepted by you and entered into your holy family. And just as you raised Christ from the dead, so too I ask that you would give me a new life in Christ, one that will lead eventually to heaven itself. Thank you for Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit to believe in him alone for my salvation. And as 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.

**\*Congregation Standing**

*Thee we adore, eternal Lord!  
We praise Thy Name with one accord.  
Thy saints, who here Thy goodness see,  
Through all the world do worship Thee,  
Through all the world do worship Thee.*

*To Thee aloud all angels cry,  
The heav'ns and all the powers on high:  
Thee, holy, holy, holy King,  
Lord God of hosts, they ever sing,  
Lord God of hosts, they ever sing.*

*Apostles join the glorious throng,  
And prophets swell th'immortal song;  
Thy martyrs' noble army raise  
Eternal anthems to Thy praise,  
Eternal anthems to Thy praise.*

*From day to day, O Lord, do we  
Exalt and highly honor Thee!  
Thy Name we worship and adore,  
World without end, forevermore,  
World without end, forevermore.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Gloria Patri (#735)

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
World without end. Amen, Amen!*

\*Benediction

Leader: "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit." Amen.

*Romans 15:13*

*People: Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!*

Postlude

\*Congregation Standing

## Sermon Notes

*You gonna help a brotha?*

*John 4:1-26*

Exposition:

Main Point:

Inferences:

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