

The Gathering

Silent Meditation

Prelude

Christ Is Alive

Kerr

Words of Welcome

Introit

* Call to Worship

(Psalms 23)

Leader: The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

People: He makes me lie down in green pastures; and leads me beside still waters;

Leader: He restores my soul. He leads me in right paths for his name's sake.

People: Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I fear no evil; for you are with me;

Leader: Your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

People: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;

Leader: You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

People: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord my whole life long.

* Hymn 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

CORONATION

* Prayer of Confession (unison)

O God, so much of life is spent saying “I can’t.” We are presented with opportunities to work for justice in the lives of poor people, and we say: “I can’t; I don’t know enough about it.” We have a chance to deepen our faith through spiritual disciplines, and we say: “I can’t; I don’t have enough time.” We stop job hunting for something more fulfilling, saying: “I can’t; I am afraid.” We snap at loved ones and isolate ourselves from neighbors, because we say: “I can’t; I am too stressed.” Lord, forgive us our shortcomings, and awaken a sense of hope in us. Redeem us from our limitations, and help us to know that all things are possible in you. We pray this in Jesus Name. Amen.

* Declaration of Pardon

* Gloria Patri

Hymn 579

* The Peace

Leader: The Peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

The Word of God

Children’s Message

First Lesson

Acts 4: 5-12

Second Lesson

1 John 3: 16-24

One: The Word of the Lord

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Anthem *Come to the Banquet* Martin

* Gospel Lesson John 10: 11-18

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Sermon "Genuine Christianity" Dr. Cheetham

Response of the People

* Affirmation of Faith *from A Brief Statement of Faith*

In life and death we belong to God. Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel, whom alone we worship and serve. We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. We trust in God, whom Jesus called, Abba Father. We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life.

In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives. With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

* Hymn 521

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart FINEST WHEAT

* Offertory Prayer

Offertory *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* Peeters

* Doxology Hymn 592

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Table

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Leader: O God of majesty, you are holy, and blessed is Jesus Christ, your Son,
our Lord, who has joined us together as members of his body, the Church.

We rejoice that in his death and rising again, you set before us the
promise of new life, the certain hope of a heavenly home, where we will sit at
the table with Christ, our host. Remembering your grace given
through Jesus Christ, we take from your creation this bread and this cup, and
joyfully celebrate his dying and rising, as we await the day of his coming
again.

**People: Accept this, our sacrifice of praise, O God, as a living and holy
offering of ourselves to your service. Nurture us at this, your table, that
we may be united together in one faith and service and
nourished to proclaim your love and grace in all that we do. Amen.**

Words of Institution

Distribution of the Elements

Prayer of Celebration.

Sending Forth

* Hymn 438

Blest Be the Tie That Binds DENNIS

* Charge and Benediction

* Choral Response

Postlude *Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray* Walther

Lay Reader: Hugo Sandoval

Worship Notes: This morning we are celebrating the sacrament of communion, also called the Lord's Supper. A sacrament is an outward sign of an inward grace. This means that the bread and grape juice symbolize God's love for us in the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Presbyterian Church believes that the elements stay the same but acknowledges the special presence of Christ in and around the elements through the Holy Spirit. This is a powerful opportunity to commune with Jesus, our Savior and Lord, and be reminded of his love for us.

All those who have been baptized are welcomed to the Lord's Table. This is not a right, but a privilege. It is a call to confess your sins and opportunity to renew your faith. We ask that you hold the elements so everyone can eat the bread or drink the cup together as this symbolizes our unity in Christ.

Prayer Concerns

Hazel Williams
Claudine Prowell
Etta Hammer
Thayer & Alice Smith
Mary Helen Averitt
Margaret Patton Sharp
Sherry Arnold
Darlene Black
Debbie Harston
Joseph Clemons
Harry Stewart
Greta Baty
Debbie Sharp
Jerry Pentecost
Phillip Petty
Marjorie Nabbe

Pam Anderson
Don Denney
Peggy Williams
Betty Eshelman
Eddie Ferrell
Linda Hyland
Aubrey Roney
Norma Johnson
John Angles
Julie Stephens
Ramona Dennis
Debbie Brinner
Jim Robbins
Donna Goliher
Charles Cowden Sr.

Marcia Williams
Isa Carroll
Tom Chambers
John Freeman
Ken Tyree
Billy Joe Ferrell
Julie Pepper
Sheleah Jensen
Valerie Eblin
Malcolm Sloan
Fran Moscardelli
Tornado Victims
Jan Hyder
George Donnell
Thomas Bombich

Military

Kevin Alseys
Matthew Ash
Luke Baker
Blake Beckman
Jaymon Bell
Kent Cardwell
Matthew Humes

Kyle Kaker
Bayson Keyes
Mike Matthys
David Midgett
Jason Nolley
Jason Redmon
Malcolm Rios

Randy Sandlin
James Scott
Jeff Scott
Jeremy Scott
Jason Sellars
Lee Smith
Noah Evans

The Church Session

Brenda Thaxton, Clerk of Session

2006

Joe Adams
Jimmie Crawford
Brenda Thaxton

2007

Suane Bone
Tom Halbert
David Howell

2008

Charles Bradshaw
Pat Climer
Ken Hawkins

Lois Ann Wauford

Hugo Sandoval

Gwynn Lanius

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Jennifer Breland

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James Herren

Faye Brown

Mary Ellen O'Neil

Lesley Jacobson

Becky Burris

Deborah Sanders

Karen Jump

Alex Quarles

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Dr. John T. Cheetham, Pastor

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Branson Clark, Music Director

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	6:00 pm	Christian Ed Meeting

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	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Thursday	9:00 am	Preschool
	6:30 pm	Contemporary Practice

Last Sunday's Record

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