

Lord's Day Worship

*(Asterisk) indicates *Please stand as you are able.*

Announcements Pastor Douglas

PRAISE

*Call to Worship John 4:23-24

Pastor Douglas: Let us now worship God, who is a Spirit, in spirit and in truth.

Congregation: For such the Father seeks those to worship him.

*Song *Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise*

*Prayer of Confession Martin Bucer (1491-1551)

Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto you that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe your word nor follow your holy commandments. Remember your goodness, we ask you, and for your name's sake be gracious to us, and forgive us our iniquity which is great. Amen.

(Silent Confession)

*Assurance of Pardon Romans 8:15-17

Pastor Douglas: For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!" The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

*Westminster Shorter Catechism #24

Reader: How is Christ a prophet?

Congregation: As a prophet, Christ reveals the will of God to us for our salvation by his word and Spirit.

*Song *In Christ Alone*

RENEWAL

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

*Offering and the Doxology

THE WORD OF GOD

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 14:1-2

Sermon Text Matthew 6:7-8

Sermon "Who Do We Pray to As Christians?"

*Song *To God My Earnest Voice I Raise*

*Benediction Pastor Douglas

*Dismissal

Michael: Christ Presbyterian Church, what is your mission?

Congregation: We go forth in the power of the Spirit to serve God's world as the head, heart, and hands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SERMON NOTES

"Who Do We Pray to As Christians?"

I) Opening - Who Do We Pray to as Christians?

II) The Text - Matthew 6:7-8

A) Matthew 6:7 - Pray as a Christian.

B) Matthew 6:8 - Your Father knows.

III) What is empty speech today?

IV) Application

A) Our Father is Nearby - Proximity Matters!

B) Our Father Knows - God is omniscient.

C) How does this transform our congregations prayer life?

V) Trinitarian Prayers - We pray to the Father, in the Son, by the Holy Spirit.

If you are visiting with us this week, please feel free to have your children, join our children's program, and visit with Pastor Douglas or email/call the church office if you have any questions.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TOWN HALL MEETING: Join us for our Town Hall Presentation on **Sunday, September 22nd, after service.** The elders from Session will give a presentation about the topic of building expansion. It will be live-streamed as well.

PRESBYTERY WORSHIP: Everyone is invited to Presbytery Worship on **Friday, October 4,** at **Christ Community Church in Caldwell at 6:30 PM.**

CPW: Christ Pres Women will meet **Saturday, September 21st 11:30-1:30.** Big Brothers/Big Sisters of SW Idaho: Come learn about an agency that provides positive role models to children in homes without adequate parental guidance due to health or incarceration of a parent. The theme is Back to School Lunchtime. Bring a sack lunch to exchange! Lunch bags will be provided at the Information table on Sunday. A dessert will be provided. Guests are welcome! Sign up at the information table or call Laretta

MISSIONARY POTLUCK: Jeff J from South East Asia will be speaking on the evening of **Monday, September 30th at 6:30 PM.** For more information, contact Ellen.

WOMEN'S FALL BIBLE STUDY: is coming on **Saturday, October 5th!** Join us as we read the book *Deeper: Real Change for Real Sinners* by Dane Ortlund. We'll be meeting **Saturdays at 10:30 AM** in the Sunday School room for this 9-week study, led by Beth and Julie. No charge for book and study guide. Sign-up sheet is on the information table. For more info, contact Julie Smith. Hope to see you all there!

EPC CHURCH PLANTING PRESENTATION: Please join us **October 6th at 5:00 PM** as we host the Evangelical Presbyterian Church's National Church Planting Director Tom . Tom will lead us through a presentation and a discussion about church planting in the EPC and what might be possible in the Treasure Valley. Dinner will be provided from Chipotle!

ALPHA: Alpha is on Wednesdays, from **7-8:30 PM.** It explores these questions: Why am I here? Is there more to this life than this? Why do I feel so disconnected and afraid? Is there a God? Who is Jesus? Each week, you can join the conversation, share your thoughts, or simply observe. So invite a friend and join the conversation as we explore some of life's big questions in a relaxed, open, and engaging atmosphere.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Meets on **Thursdays at 8:15 AM.** The study is led by Pastor Douglas and donuts are provided.

WEEKLY PRAYER MEETING: Meets on **Fridays at Noon.** Everyone is welcome!

PRAYER REQUESTS

HEALING AND COMFORT:

EPC PRESBYTERY OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST: Pray this week for Hope Presbyterian Church (OR) and their Pastor Rev. Brian Boisen.

MISSIONS: Please pray for the work and mission of Boise Rescue Mission and City Light.



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

...so that Jesus Christ might come to have first place in everything.” Colossians 1:18 (b) NRSV

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“Who Do We Pray to As Christians?”

Matthew 6:7-8

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