

# Lord's Day Worship

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

Announcements Pastor Douglas

## PRAISE

\*Call to Worship Psalm 124:8

Pastor Douglas: Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**Congregation: Who made heaven and earth.**

\*Prayer of Adoration Pastor Douglas

\*Song *Now Thank We All Our God*

\*Prayer of Confession

**Lord, you have called us to worship you. We gladly gather! As we praise you, though, our own inadequacy reminds us of how we have broken our relationship with you. Because we have sinned against you, even our worship fails to be what it could. We often treat it as a show. We simply go through the motions, failing to recognize that you want to engage us deeply. Renew us, we pray, according to your steadfast love. Remind us of your covenant faithfulness and have mercy on us in the name of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(Silent Confession)

\*Assurance of Pardon Psalm 147:2-3,5

Pastor Douglas: The Lord builds up Jerusalem; he gathers the outcasts of Israel. He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. Great is our Lord, and abundant in power; his understanding is beyond measure.

\*Westminster Shorter Catechism #34

Reader: What is adoption?

**Congregation: Adoption is the act of God's free grace by which we become his sons with all the rights and privileges of being his.**

**\*\*Children Dismissed\*\***

\*Song *He Will Hold Me Fast*

## RENEWAL

Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer

\*Offering and Doxology

## THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament Reading Mark 2:13-17

Sermon Text Haggai 2:10-23

Sermon "The Lord Blesses His People"

\*Song *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

\*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

"The Lord Blesses His People"

**I) Introduction** - Recap of Series and Christian Contemplation

**II) The Text** - Haggai 2:10-19

**A) 2:10-14:** Question(s) to Priests about the categories of clean and unclean.

**B) 2:15-19:** God's Presence and Blessing

**III) The Problem?** Why is self criticism lacking in churches? "When we do not see evidence of such blessing in our lives, we must be open to the fact that God may be crying for our attention, while not losing sight of the fact that he may have other reasons for withholding blessing from us." Mark Boda

**IV) Application** - Major Takeaways from Haggai for our Congregation

**A) Hearing and Doing** - How has the Lord spoke to us about building expansion and have we listened?

**B) God's Presence** - Mark 2:13-17

**C) Covenant Faithfulness** - God's people are *always* open to criticism from the Lord.

**V) Closing** - Haggai 2:20-23 as Bridge to Advent

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**STANTON DIAPER DRIVE:** Stanton Health Care is partnering with Human Bean Coffee to do a Diaper Drive for their Stanton Moms! Simply stop by any Treasure Valley Human Bean location on selected dates, with a package of diapers (any size) or wipes for donation, and receive a 16 oz iced or hot drink at no charge! The final date available for donations is December 3. Let's support these moms who chose life!

**FLOWERS FOR SUNDAY:** You may have noticed the beautiful flowers on the Lord's table on Sunday mornings. There's a sign-up sheet on the wall in the room next to the sanctuary, if you'd like to contribute flowers for a given Sunday.

**CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM:** The children's Christmas program and dinner catered by Uncle Giuseppe's is on **Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup>** at **5:00 PM**.

**DECEMBER CPW:** The Christ Presbyterian Women Christmas Luncheon is **Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup>** from **11:30-1:30**. Beth and her team have planned a special Christmas catered luncheon to honor the women of Christ Presbyterian Church. Leave your holiday stresses at home and come enjoy and relax with your Christian sisters. Bring only yourself and a wrapped White Elephant Gift. (If you must buy something, price limit is \$5 at the thrift store!) Otherwise, find something at home that you would like to trade. The wrapped gift is your ticket at the door. (From brown bag to fancy Christmas box are acceptable.) As always, guests are welcome. Bring your out-of-town guest for us to meet. Be sure to provide a ticket (wrapped gift) for her too. Questions? Call Beth at

*Be sure to sign up at the information table or by email to:*

**CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES:** There will be two candlelight Christmas Eve services on **Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>**: **4:00 PM** and **6:00 PM**.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** 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. Hope to see you all there!

**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

**MISSIONS:** Please pray for the work and mission of

*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.*



# Christ Presbyterian Church

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

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November 24, 2024 | Rev. Douglas Kortyna

"The Lord Blesses His People"

Haggai 2:10-23

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