

# ORDER OF WORSHIP

## Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church

August 13, 2006

*The Lord's Day*<sup>1</sup>

### Welcome and Silent Preparation

The Reverend Douglas D. Warren

*A Word About Worship and this time of Preparation: We have the incredible privilege of coming into the presence of the living God. Please take a few moments now to silently prepare your heart. As others around you are in prayer and contemplation, please consider their need for quiet.*

*A Note to Parents: There is a **nursery** available at your discretion throughout the service. Please ask one of the greeters if you need help finding your way. There is also a class called **Kids' Quest** for children (3 and up) during the sermon. Children are welcome to come forward during communion to be prayed for by the pastor, but should not partake of communion until they have professed their faith publicly and been approved by the session.*

## GATHERING TO WORSHIP THE REDEEMER

### Prelude

#### \*Call to Worship

*Psalm 86*

Rev. Warren

Minister: We will praise you, O Lord our God, with all our whole hearts; we will glorify your name forever. For you have delivered us from the power of death.

**All: Bring joy to your servants, O Lord, for to you we lift up our souls. There is none like you; no deeds can compare with yours.**

Minister: All the nations you have made will come and worship before you. They will bring glory to your name, for you alone are God.

**All: Teach us now your way, O Lord, and we will live in your truth. Give us undivided hearts that we may fear and praise your great name.**

**\*Songs of Exultation** (7) "From All That Dwells Below the Skies" *DUKE STREET*

"How Majestic is Your Name" *Smith*<sup>2</sup>

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.

O Lord, we praise Your name. O Lord, we magnify Your name;

Prince of Peace, Mighty God, Oh Lord God Almighty!

### Prayer of Adoration

*(concluded by praying together):*

Mr. Robert Crosby

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

## REPENTING TOGETHER BY GOD'S GRACE

### Scriptural Call to Repentance

First John 1:8

Rev. Warren

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness

### Song of Preparation (Insert)

"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"

*Medema*<sup>3</sup>

### Corporate Confession

Psalm 51

Rev. Warren

Be gracious to me, O God, according to Your lovingkindness; according to the greatness of Your compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me. Against You, You only, I have sinned, and done what is evil in Your sight, So that You are justified when You speak, and blameless when you judge.

### Silent Reflection/Confession

*Please take a few moments to pray privately*

### Proclamation of Forgiveness

Acts 10:43

Rev. Warren

All the prophets testify about Christ that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name.

### \*Song of Renewal (585)

"Take My Life, and Let it Be"

*Malan*

### \*The Peace of God

*This is an opportunity to extend the grace of Christ to one another.*

Minister: The peace of the Lord be always with you!

**People: And also with you!**

### Prayers for Christ's Church and the World

*Praise*

*Requests*

Rev. Warren

### Greeting and Announcements

Mrs. Sharie Pillsbury

Children ages 3-9 are excused to **Kids' Quest** at this time.

## PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

### \*Psalm 98

"Sing a New Song to the Lord"

*Dudley-Smith*<sup>4</sup>

### \*Scripture Reading (insert)

John 17:13-19

Jake & Monique Paris

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

### The Sermon

"Sanctified and Sent"

Rev. Warren

### Overcoming the World through Prayer

### The Offertory

### \*Affirmation of Faith

The Westminster Shorter Catechism<sup>5</sup>

Minister: What is the chief end of man?

**People: Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.**

Minister: What rule has God given to direct us in how to glorify and enjoy Him?

**People: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us as to how we may glorify and enjoy Him.**

### \*Gloria Patri

*Greatorex*

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.

<sup>4</sup> Text: Psalm 98; vers. Timothy Dudley-Smith, Music: David G. Wilson, Text © 1973, Hope Publishing Co; music © 1973, Jubilate Hymns, Ltd., admin. Hope Publishing Co.

<sup>5</sup> A catechism is a Question and Answer format for teaching the truths contained in Scripture. The Westminster Shorter Catechism was written in 1647 in England primarily as an aid for teaching children. It has been used by congregations and families in both worship and instruction for the past 350 years.

## CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

*A Word About Communion: This is a time for all people to seek the Lord. For Christians, communion is a time to meet with their Savior by faith to be strengthened and renewed as they eat bread and drink wine. All those who trust in Christ alone as their Savior and Lord, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, and are at peace with their fellow Christians are welcome to come forward. For those not taking communion, we invite you to consider the prayers found below.*

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

Minister: God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.<sup>6</sup>

**People: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.**

Minister: He says, "Be still, and know that I am God;"

**People: The Lord Almighty is with us; The God of Jacob is our fortress.**

### Words of Institution & Invitation

Minister: God lives in a high and holy place,

**People: But also with him who is contrite and lowly in spirit,**

Minister: To revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.

**People: The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

### Approaching the Lord's Table

*Please listen carefully to the minister's explanation of communion.*

*All those who are prepared to come to the Lord's table can come forward. If you are not yet prepared to come, with all the responsibilities that entails, this is a loving environment within which to consider your estate before a holy and merciful God. Please use the prayers below as an aid. Both wine and grape juice are available (juice is in the outer circle of the trays).*

### \*Communion Song (345)

"Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken"

*Haydn*

## COMMISSIONING FOR SERVICE

### \*Concluding Prayer

Rev. Warren

### \*The Benediction

Jude 24-25

Rev. Warren

Minister: To Him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before His glorious presence without fault and with great joy—to the only God our Savior be glory, majesty, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and forever more.

**People: Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### Postlude

<sup>6</sup> This communion litany is taken from Psalm 46. The themes of God's presence with us and His power in conquering everything provide us hope. It is only in Him as our fortress that we can know His peace and rest. As we come to His table, let us look together to Him for our strength.

<sup>1</sup> Sunday is more than just the first day of the week. Each Sunday is a celebration of Jesus' victory over death in His resurrection Easter Sunday. The Lord of Creation has entered our world and changed everything. Just as God's people rested from work on the last day of the week to commemorate God's creative work, we now rest from worldly concerns on the first day of the week to celebrate His redeeming work.

**\* Please stand, if you are able. Thank you.**

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# Reflections

“The gospel is the message of God’s redeeming love in sending his own Son into the world. Those who understand that love will be driven to share it. They will not only rejoice to sit down with other redeemed sinners in heaven’s feast; they will seek other sinners in Christ’s name to call them home. As Christ was sent, so he sends them, and the dynamic of mission is the heart of the love of God.” — Edmund P. Clowney

“‘God created man in his own image’ (Genesis 1:27). This statement tells us that the special dignity of being human is that, as humans, we may reflect and reproduce at our own *creaturely* level the holy ways of God, and thus act as his direct representatives on earth. This is what humans are made to do, and in one sense we are human *only* to the extent that we are doing it.” — J. I. Packer

## PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

*If you would like to use this time to speak silently to God, we hope that the prayers below will be a help to you.*

### Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the Life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding for you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

### Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my savior. Amen.

### Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

### Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, 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.

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Worship Christ in Community,  
As We Celebrate and Extend His Grace  
to Portland, New England, and the world.**

Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church is a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), a denomination committed to the historic Christian faith.

Serving Communion: Doug Warren and Robert Crosby.

CHRIST THE REDEEMER

# Highlights.....August 13, 2006

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Today

Please stay for refreshments after the service and get better acquainted with one another.

### Officer Training

We will be beginning a new round of officer training this fall. The adult Sunday School starting September 10<sup>th</sup>, will be one part of this as we look at the *Westminster Confession of Faith*. There will also be another adult class available. If you have questions about the requirements for our elders and deacons, please see the pastors.

### Root Cellar Dinner

We will be the host church for the Thursday night neighborhood dinner at the Root Cellar on August 24<sup>th</sup>. There are sign up sheets on the back table. We need your help with providing and/or cooking the food items, and serving the dinner. We also have to provide the music portion of the evening program. Can you help by playing an instrument or helping with a sing along? Come and be a part of this important outreach ministry. If you have any questions speak to Joanne Crosby.

### Church Retreat

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> we will gather at New England Camp Cherith for our annual Church Retreat. This is a great time of fellowship as well as a time to be refreshed. Bring the whole family!

### Dates to Remember

**Sunday School begins on September 10<sup>th</sup>-come and bring your whole family.**

CTR Prayer Meetings Park Avenue Church of God, Fridays, **6:30-7:30 am**  
Session Meetings (monthly) First and Third Tuesday nights 6:00-9:00

## SERVICE AND OFFERINGS

	This Week	Next Week
<b>Set Up</b>	Yates	Third Week
<b>Food</b>	Team	Team
<b>Usher</b>		
<b>Nursery</b>	Wendy & Kaylie Stewart	Doug & Gwen Tedder
<b>Kid's Q</b>	Paula & Alison Marchand	Steve & Katya Harmon
<b>Sound</b>	Jordan Stewart	Robert Crosby
<b>Prayer</b>	Robert Crosby	Jim Mansfield

**Finances:** Last week our collection was \$3,413.00. Thank you for your gifts to the Lord.

## MINISTRY STAFF

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