



## GATHERING

**The Introit**      *A New Day*      Allan Robert  
Petker

### The Welcome and Announcements

#### \*The Call to Worship

**\*Hymn of Praise**    *Let All Things Now Living*      Glory to God, No. 37

## CONFESSION AND PARDON

### Our Silent Confession

#### The Prayer of Confession

We count our cash, we look at our checkbook balance, we read our credit card statements and we wonder where best to use our money now.

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We look to Jesus for guidance, but he tells us to give to Caesar what is Caesar's and to God what is God's. How do we figure that out in this era?

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We look at what we need to spend on today and overlook the needs yet to come and then we find ourselves swirling in the confusion of our finances.

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#### The Assurance of Forgiveness

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Friends, this is the good news of the Gospel:  
**In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!**

**\* The Response of Praise**      *Christ Church Gloria Patri*      John Rafoth  
*The Quartet will sing once through. Congregation is asked to join on the repeat.*

#### \*Sharing the Peace of Christ

The Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

**\*The Doxology**    *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*      Hymnal No. 606

**Welcome!**  
**We are glad YOU**  
**are here!**

**Please note that our**  
**service is being**  
**livestreamed.**

**\* please stand as you**  
**are able**

**Gentle reminders for**  
**Pandemic Times:**

*Please, wear your*  
*mask and color-coded*  
*nametag at all times in*  
*the building.*

*Respect others' comfort*  
*levels with interaction,*  
*as indicated by their*  
*nametag.*

*Observe social distancing*  
*in seating. Instead of*  
*passing the Friendship*  
*Pads—use the card in the*  
*Pew rack to record your*  
*attendance, if you wish.*  
*Leave the card and your*  
*offering in the plate at*  
*the doorway as you exit*  
*the Sanctuary.*

*A Hearing Loop*  
*is installed and available.*  
*Switch your hearing aid*  
*to "T-Cell".*

*Please ask an Usher if you*  
*need assistance.*

*Before worship, please*  
*silence cell phones and*  
*other electronic devices.*



## What is Ordinary Time?

Most of the church year is organized around the two major festivals that mark sacred time

Christmas and Easter.

The rest of the year is known as Ordinary Time. This term comes from the word "ordinal," which means "counted time."

Ordinary Time begins with Trinity Sunday and ends with Christ the King Sunday.

The liturgical color for Ordinary Time is dark green, although other shades of green are commonly used. Green has traditionally been associated with new growth and life.

The Sundays of Ordinary Time are often used to focus on various aspects of faith, especially the mission of the church in the world.

## HEARING THE WORD

### A Moment for Children

**The Anthem** *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*

David Simmons

**A Reading from Scripture:** Matthew 22.17-22 and 1 Corinthians 16.1-4

**The Sermon** God's Economy

Rev. David Dragseth

### An Invitation for Giving

**The Offertory Anthem** *Our Hope, Our Life*

*Our hope, our life, are in the Lord, the God we honor and confess.*

*Why crave renown or opulence? They fade, those things we now possess.*

*Some flaunt their gold; some trust its power; but what they cherish will decay;  
and still the ransom for a soul remains a price too great to pay.*

*Though wealth or learning may be ours, or fame that spreads  
throughout the land,*

*the shackles of mortality prevent so much that we have planned.*

*Beyond this age of shame and sham we glimpse a better destiny:  
the Lord will lift us free from death to dwell in praise eternally.*

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## SENDING

### The Prayers of the People

#### The Lord's Prayer

**\*The Sending Hymn** *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing* Glory to God, No.546

#### \*The Benediction

**\*Choral Blessing** *The Grace of God*

Allan Robert Petker

**The Organ Postlude** *Introduction and Toccata*

Girolamo Frescobaldi

## *Leading in Worship Today*

**Preacher** Rev. David Dragseth

**Liturgists:** Rev. Dr. Jessica Patchett, Rev. Phil Haslanger

**Reader** Jean-Rene Watchou

**Guest Music Director** John Bohman

**Organist** John Rafoth

**Vocalists** The Chancel Choir and The Quartet: Amalia Goldberg, soprano; Kirstin Roble, alto  
Jiabao Zhang, tenor; John Bohman, bass

**Ushers and Greeters** Ron Wanek, John Ross, Alice Spencer

**A/V Coordinator** Patrick Green

**Livestream** Ben McKnight

**Online Worship Host** Karen King

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*We are a Community Centered in Christ,  
Gathering in Love, Growing by Grace, Going forth to Serve*

**Christ Presbyterian Church is located on Ho-Chunk Land.**



# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## Sunday, August 28, 2022 - Announcements

### **Follow the Money - God's Economy**

God is the source of abundance, and in God's economy there is more than enough for everyone. So how do we live this way, as Christians and members of society? Our preacher today is Rev. David Dragseth.

### **Congolese Refugee Ministry**

Thank you for your prayers and donations for the Refugee Resettlement Ministry. God is hearing your prayers! Apartments have been secured for the refugee family, arriving in Madison this Thursday, Sept 1. We are moving donation items to equip their apartments on Wednesday, Aug 31, and still need people to help with the move. Given that this is a large family of 10, we are in need of more people to provide transportation to their various appointments. Also, if you are familiar with the Madison bus system and willing to teach the family how the busses work, your help is needed. If you can help in any way, please inform Jean-Rene, [jeanrene@cpcmadison.org](mailto:jeanrene@cpcmadison.org) or Mary Strait, [dmstrait@charter.net](mailto:dmstrait@charter.net) Thank you again for your prayers and support!

### **DRC Background (Part 4, cont'd)**

**What is a refugee?** The UNHCR defines a refugee as *someone who has been forced to flee his or her country because of persecution, war or violence.* A refugee has a well founded fear of persecution for reasons of race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group.

### **Here are the steps for a refugee to be able to come to the US:**

Apply to the UN for refugee status; UN verifies they meet criteria; initial biometric and biographic data is collected; another background check verifies the person meets criteria ; background data evaluated with at least 4 databases for terror related associations; data reviewed by FBI, Homeland Security, State Dept and National Counterterrorism Center; face to face interviews; medical exams and screening for infectious diseases; screened & vetted by US Customs & Immigration; (overall, 18-24 months). President Obama once said, "the refugees who end up in the United States are the most vetted, scrutinized, thoroughly investigated individuals that ever arrive on American shores."

## **The Tour of Madison, Sunday September 4**

This is a unique opportunity to welcome new international students in Madison, meet new friends, and make a long-lasting impression on new-comers. Volunteer drivers use their own cars to help transport the students around town following a route specially designed for the occasion. The tour begins with an orientation for drivers and readers, and ends with a light reception at the home of one of our members. The Tour will be held Sunday, September 4 from 1 to 5:30 pm. Sign up here <https://bit.ly/tour-madison-22> or contact Jean-Rene at [jeanrene@cpcmadison.org](mailto:jeanrene@cpcmadison.org)

## **COVID Updates at CPC, Effective Sept 1**

CPC will move to Phase 4 in our approach to Worship and Activities. As children, 6 mo. and older are eligible to be vaccinated for COVID-19, as of Sept 1, face masks will be optional at all CPC worship services, activities, and events. The use of the kitchen and fellowship hall will resume. See your Wednesday emails or [cpcmadison.org](http://cpcmadison.org) for the full document with changes beginning Sept 1.

**The next Joining Meeting** will be September 25 at 10am - an opportunity to join CPC.

## **Save the Dates: Kick-Off Sunday, and Wednesday Night Live**

Sept 11 - **Kick-Off Sunday**, with a single combined service at 10am, and a provided picnic meal. Bring a dessert to share, and lawn chairs.

Sept 14 - our first **Wednesday Night Live** event of the fall, beginning with a fellowship meal featuring international cooking, more details soon. We'll unveil Wednesday Night Live activities for the fall, and celebrate some first looks at CPC's new branding, which will be unveiled throughout September.

## **"Together at Horizons" CPC Weekend Retreat, October 7-9**

All ages are welcome at this CPC Weekend Retreat at nearby Bethel Horizons. Registration is now open! Learn more and register at <https://bit.ly/cpc-horizons-22>

## **Discussion From Today's Scripture (Matt. 22:17-22 & 1 Cor. 16:1-4)**

- 1) In the first passage, why do you think they put Jesus "to the test," and why were they "amazed" at his response?
- 2) In the second passage, what is the underlying principle which applies to all generations of those who follow Jesus?

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