



# City Church

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Sunday July 7, 2019

Reflections on the Story of David  
“Imagination: David & Goliath”

# Welcome.

Thanks for joining us today in worship. We hope you find City Church to be a warm, welcoming community—regardless of your background, beliefs, or life situation. To that end, we recognize that certain parts of the service may feel unfamiliar, so we've provided brief explanations throughout this guide.

Our worship is "liturgical." The Greek word "leitourgia" means a public work, the work of the people. Liturgical worship begins with God's call upon us, his meeting with us, speaking among us, and ministering to us. The flow of our liturgy aims at drawing us further into the life of the Trinity and then moving us outward into our world.

On pages 19-22, you'll find information about our community. We hope this helps you get to know us better and that, in turn, we can get to know you better. Help us welcome you by filling out the contact sheet on the back page and placing it in the offering basket or in our hands after the worship service.

All to say, we are glad you are here and look forward to meeting you.

— The Pastoral Staff

*Tuck Bartholomew, Chris Currie, Jonathan Davis*

## Sunday Info

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**Nursery, Room 111** Children 4 – 24 months for the duration of the service

**Children's, Church Room 112-113** Children ages 2 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade dismiss just before the sermon. 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders will return prior to communion.

**Adult Ed Class** No classes are currently meeting.

**Accessibility** A wheelchair ramp and elevator are on site. A greeter can assist you.

**Coffee** is available in the SE hallway at 10:15am and before Adult Ed classes when offered.

## Reflection

And herein lies a central aspect of Christian worship: it is an alternative imaginary, a way that the Spirit of God invites us into the Story of God in Christ reconciling the world to himself. But... if such a Story is really going to capture our imaginations, it needs to get into our gut - it needs to be written on our hearts.

- James K. A. Smith, *Imagining the Kingdom*

## Church Calendar

ADVENT

CHRISTMAS

EPIPHANY

LENT

EASTER

PENTECOST

**ORDINARY TIME**

We observe a season of Ordinary Time from Pentecost until Advent, which we count as weeks following Pentecost. During this time we especially remember the lives and actions of Jesus' followers. We think about how the first Christians lived their lives, and how we should live ours today. This season of Ordinary Time takes up half the year and it doesn't offer big exciting festivals such as Christmas or Easter. As a result, as one Sunday follows another, this season can begin to feel, well, ordinary.

GOD SUMMONS US  
AS HIS PEOPLE

*As we meet together  
each week, we  
recognize in the  
preparation that God,  
through his word and  
Spirit, gathers us into  
his presence and calls  
us into his life and  
mission.*

## Prelude

### Preparation

Ground us, we pray, and settle us in your truth  
by sending your Holy Spirit into our hearts.

**All** Amen.

*Silence is kept.*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
the love of God,  
and the communion of the Holy Spirit  
be with you all.

**All** And also with you.

O praise the Lord with me,

**All** let us exalt God's name together.

# Opening Song

Psalm 62

Aaron Keyes, Stuart Townend

1. My soul finds rest in God a - lone, my\_ rock and my sal - va - tion, a\_\_  
2. Find rest, my soul, in God a - lone a - mid the world's temp - ta - tions; when  
3. I'll set my gaze on God a - lone, and trust in him com - plete - ly; with

for - tress strong a - gainst my foes, and\_ I will not be sha - ken. Though  
e - vil seeks to take a hold I'll cling to my sal - va - tion. Though  
ev' - ry day pour out my soul, and\_ he will prove his mer - cy. Though

lips may bless and hearts may curse, and\_ lies like ar - rows pierce me, I'll  
rich - es come and rich - es go, don't set your heart up - on\_\_ them; the\_  
life is but a fleet - ing breath, a\_\_ sigh too brief to mea - sure, my\_

fix my heart on right - eous - ness, I'll look to him who hears me.  
fields of hope in which I sow are\_\_ har - ves - ted in hea - ven.  
king has crushed the curse of death, and\_ I am his for - e - ver.

O\_\_ praise him, hal - le - lu - jah, my de - light and my re -  
ward; e - ver - las - ting, ne - ver fail - ing, my re - dee - mer, my God.

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## Opening of Responsorial

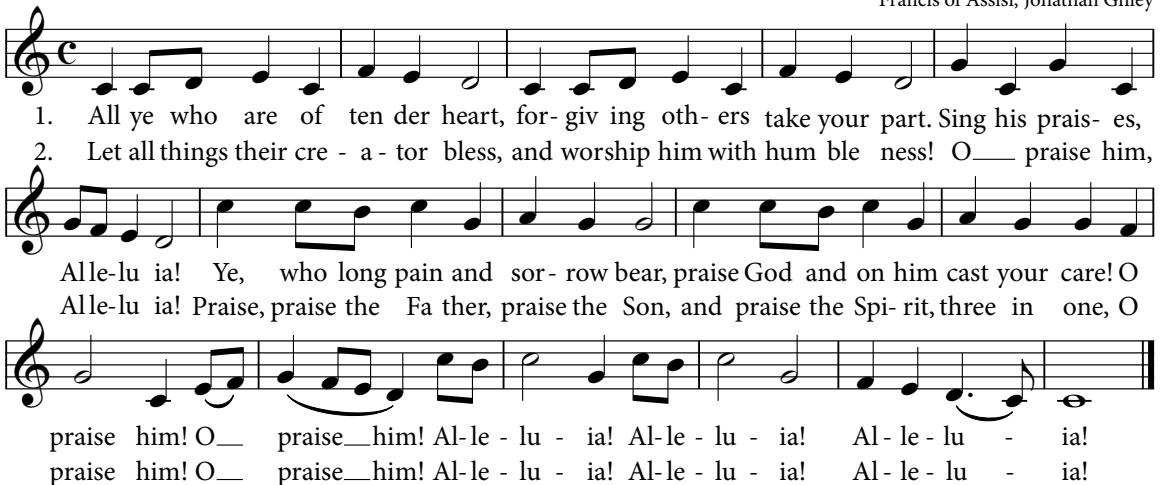
I will extol you, my God and King,  
**All I will bless your name forever and ever.**  
Every day I will bless you  
**and praise your name forever.**  
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;  
**his greatness is unsearchable.**  
One generation shall laud your works to another,  
**another generation shall declare your mighty acts.**  
The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,  
**and I will declare your greatness.**  
They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,  
**they shall sing aloud of your righteousness.**  
The Lord is gracious and merciful,  
**slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.**

*from Psalm 145*

## Prayer of Adoration and Invocation

### Doxology

Francis of Assisi, Jonathan Gilley



1. All ye who are of ten der heart, for- giv ing oth- ers take your part. Sing his prais- es,  
2. Let all things their cre - a - tor bless, and worship him with hum ble ness! O\_\_ praise him,  
Alle-lu ia! Ye, who long pain and sor- row bear, praise God and on him cast your care! O  
Alle-lu ia! Praise, praise the Fa ther, praise the Son, and praise the Spi- rit, three in one, O  
praise him! O\_\_ praise\_\_him! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!  
praise him! O\_\_ praise\_\_him! Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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## Confession of Sin

*All* Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Silence is kept.*

## Words of Comfort and Assurance of Pardon

May the God of love and power  
forgive you and free you from your sins,  
heal and strengthen you by his Spirit,  
and raise you to new life in Christ our Lord.  
*All* Amen.

GOD SANCTIFIES US  
TO HIMSELF

*Throughout Scripture, when people find themselves in God's presence, they sense how far short they fall and become aware of their own shame and brokenness. In the same way, we make a confession of sin, both as a community and also silently as individuals. In this, we remember that God is always ready, by his mercy and grace, to forgive us.*

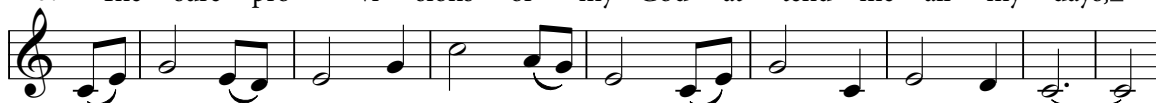
# Songs of Praise and Thanksgiving

## *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Isaac Watts, Southern Harmony



1. My shep - herd will sup - ply my need: Je - ho - vah is his name;
2. When I walk through the shades of death, thy pre - sence is my stay;—
3. The sure pro - vi - sions of my God at - tend me all my days;—



in\_ pas - tures fresh he makes me feed, be - side the li - ving stream.  
a\_ word of thy sup - por - ting breath drives all my fears a - way.—  
O\_ may thy house be my a - bode, and all my work be praise!



He brings my wand'r - ing spi - rit back when I for - sake his ways,—  
Thy hand, in\_ sight of all my foes, doth still my ta - ble spread;  
There would I\_ find a set - tled rest, while o - thers go and come;



and leads me, for his mer - cy's sake, in\_ paths of truth and grace.—  
my cup with bles - sings o - ver - flows, thine oil a - noints my head.—  
no more a\_ stran - ger, nor a\_ guest, but like a child at home.—

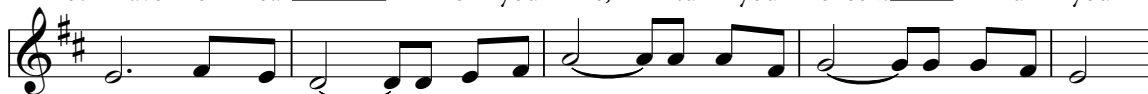


## We Are Not Overcome

Isaac Wardell, Robert Heiskell



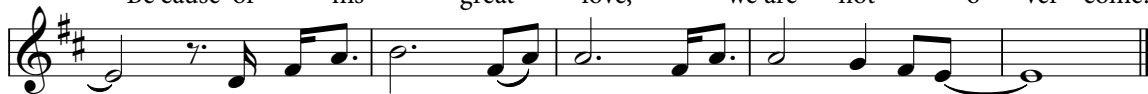
1. Flesh will fail, \_\_\_ and bones will break; thieves will steal, \_\_\_ the earth will
2. Put no trust \_\_\_ in the earth, in the sod \_\_\_ you stand up -
3. Have no fear \_\_\_ for your life; turn your cheek! \_\_\_ Turn your



shake. Night will fall, \_\_\_ the light will fade; \_\_\_ the Lord will give \_\_\_ and take a - way:  
on. Flo - wers fade \_\_\_ in - to dust; \_\_\_ the Lord will make \_\_\_ a place for us:  
cheek! Bear the yoke \_\_\_ of love and death; \_\_\_ the Lord will give \_\_\_ all life and breath:



Be cause of his great love, we are not o - ver - come!



— Be-cause of his great love, we are not o - ver-come!—

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## Passing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**All** And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

## The Word of God

*Old Testament reading:* 1 Samuel 17:1-11, 32-51

<sup>1</sup>Now the Philistines gathered their armies for battle; they were gathered at Socoh, which belongs to Judah, and encamped between Socoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim. <sup>2</sup>Saul and the Israelites gathered and encamped in the valley of Elah, and formed ranks against the Philistines. <sup>3</sup>The Philistines stood on the mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on the mountain on the other side, with a valley between them. <sup>4</sup>And there came out from the camp of the Philistines a champion named Goliath, of Gath, whose height was six cubits and a span. <sup>5</sup>He had a helmet of bronze on his head, and he

*Children attending kindergarten and younger are invited to go to their classes at this time. 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to Children's Church and will return during the Offering.*

*In the public reading of the word of God and its exposition in the sermon, God shares the story of his saving mission in Jesus, encouraging us to join in that mission and orienting us again to his priorities.*

was armed with a coat of mail; the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of bronze. <sup>6</sup>He had greaves of bronze on his legs and a javelin of bronze slung between his shoulders. <sup>7</sup>The shaft of his spear was like a weaver's beam, and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and his shield-bearer went before him. <sup>8</sup>He stood and shouted to the ranks of Israel, "Why have you come out to draw up for battle? Am I not a Philistine, and are you not servants of Saul? Choose a man for yourselves, and let him come down to me. <sup>9</sup>If he is able to fight with me and kill me, then we will be your servants; but if I prevail against him and kill him, then you shall be our servants and serve us." <sup>10</sup>And the Philistine said, "Today I defy the ranks of Israel! Give me a man, that we may fight together." <sup>11</sup>When Saul and all Israel heard these words of the Philistine, they were dismayed and greatly afraid.

<sup>32</sup>David said to Saul, "Let no one's heart fail because of him; your servant will go and fight with this Philistine." <sup>33</sup>Saul said to David, "You are not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him; for you are just a boy, and he has been a warrior from his youth." <sup>34</sup>But David said to Saul, "Your servant used to keep sheep for his father; and whenever a lion or a bear came, and took a lamb from the flock, <sup>35</sup>I went after it and struck it down, rescuing the lamb from its mouth; and if it turned against me, I would catch it by the jaw, strike it down, and kill it." <sup>36</sup>Your servant has killed both lions and bears; and this uncircumcised Philistine shall be like one of them, since he has defied the armies of the living God." <sup>37</sup>David said, "The Lord, who saved me from the paw of the lion and from the paw of the bear, will save me from the hand of this Philistine." So Saul said to David, "Go, and may the Lord be with you!" <sup>38</sup>Saul clothed David with his armor; he put a bronze helmet on his head and clothed him with a coat of mail. <sup>39</sup>David strapped Saul's sword over the armor, and he tried in vain to walk, for he was not used to them. Then David said to Saul, "I cannot walk with these; for I am not used to them." So David removed them. <sup>40</sup>Then he took his staff in his hand, and chose five smooth stones from the wadi, and put them in his shepherd's bag, in the pouch; his sling was in his hand, and he drew near to the Philistine. <sup>41</sup>The Philistine came on and drew near to David, with his shield-bearer in front of him. <sup>42</sup>When the Philistine looked and saw David, he

disdained him, for he was only a youth, ruddy and handsome in appearance. <sup>43</sup>The Philistine said to David, "Am I a dog, that you come to me with sticks?" And the Philistine cursed David by his gods. <sup>44</sup>The Philistine said to David, "Come to me, and I will give your flesh to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the field." <sup>45</sup>But David said to the Philistine, "You come to me with sword and spear and javelin; but I come to you in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. <sup>46</sup>This very day the Lord will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head; and I will give the dead bodies of the Philistine army this very day to the birds of the air and to the wild animals of the earth, so that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel, <sup>47</sup>and that all this assembly may know that the Lord does not save by sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's and he will give you into our hand."

<sup>48</sup>When the Philistine drew nearer to meet David, David ran quickly toward the battle line to meet the Philistine. <sup>49</sup>David put his hand in his bag, took out a stone, slung it, and struck the Philistine on his forehead; the stone sank into his forehead, and he fell face down on the ground. <sup>50</sup>So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and a stone, striking down the Philistine and killing him; there was no sword in David's hand. <sup>51</sup>Then David ran and stood over the Philistine; he grasped his sword, drew it out of its sheath, and killed him; then he cut off his head with it. When the Philistines saw that their champion was dead, they fled.

This is the Word of the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel reading: Matthew 12:22-29*

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

**All Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>22</sup>Then they brought to him a demoniac who was blind and mute; and he cured him, so that the one who had been mute could speak and see. <sup>23</sup>All the crowds were amazed and said, "Can this be the Son of David?" <sup>24</sup>But when the Pharisees heard it, they said, "It is only by Beelzebul, the ruler of the demons, that this fellow casts out the demons." <sup>25</sup>He knew what they were thinking and said to them, "Every kingdom divided against itself is laid waste, and no city or house divided against itself will stand. <sup>26</sup>If Satan casts out Satan, he is divided against himself; how then will his kingdom stand? <sup>27</sup>If I cast out demons by Beelzebul, by whom do your own exorcists cast them out? Therefore they will be your judges. <sup>28</sup>But if it is by the Spirit of God that I cast out demons, then the kingdom of God has come to you. <sup>29</sup>Or how can one enter a strong man's house and plunder his property, without first tying up the strong man? Then indeed the house can be plundered.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**All Praise to you, O Christ.**

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## Sermon

*"Imagination: David & Goliath" – Rev. Chris Currie*

## Offering and Presentation of Gifts

"I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich" - 2 Corinthians 8:8-9

## Creed

**All** I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

## Prayers

*Members of the congregation lead us in prayer.*

Almighty God,  
kindle in all our hearts the true love of peace,  
and give us courage to seek reconciliation  
by our own acts of repentance,  
forgiveness, and embrace.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
grant wisdom to those who lead the nations,  
that in tranquility your dominion may increase  
until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

Spirit of Compassion,  
look with kindness upon those who suffer  
in body, mind, and spirit:  
strengthen the weary, soften the hard-hearted,  
provide for the poor, and heal the afflicted.  
For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

And for what else should we pray?

*Members of the congregation may add their own intercessions at  
this time, ending with,*

For this, O Lord, we pray:

**All Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Having offered  
ourselves up in faith  
through the creed,  
affirming the power  
of God's redemption,  
we lift up the  
church, our world,  
and other needs to  
God in prayer for  
his provision and  
healing.*

GOD STRENGTHENS US  
AT HIS TABLE

*Communion, also called the Lord's Supper, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ to participate. If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer ("Prayers for Reflection" are included below). We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the church.*

Now gathering our prayers into one, let us pray boldly as our Savior has taught us:

**All** 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 and ever. Amen.

## Communion

The Lord be with you.

**All** And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

**All** We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All** It is right to give thanks and praise.

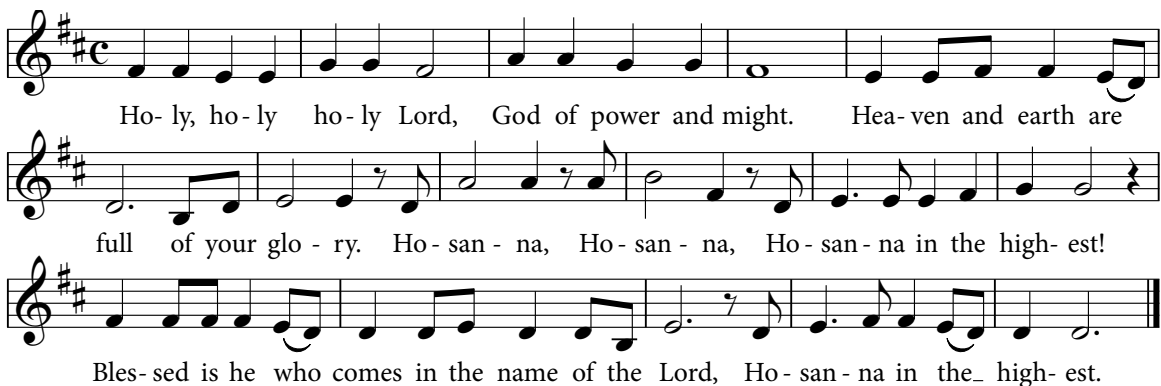
## The Eucharistic Prayer

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation,  
always and everywhere to give you thanks,  
holy Father, almighty and eternal God.

From sunrise to sunset this day is holy,  
for Christ has risen from the tomb  
and scattered the darkness of death  
with light that will not fade.

This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people,  
unfolds for us your word,  
and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread.  
And though the night will overtake this day  
you summon us to live in endless light,  
the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.  
And so we gladly thank you,  
with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

## Sanctus



Ho- ly, ho- ly ho- ly Lord, God of power and might. Hea- ven and earth are  
full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na, Ho - san - na in the high- est!  
Bles- sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho - san - na in the\_ high- est.

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## Prayers for Reflection

### Prayer for those searching

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 lead me to 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 that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise.

### Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weak and sinful, but through you, I am loved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death in order to offer me forgiveness and renewal. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord.

### Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, 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 faithfully follow you in life.

We use wine in Communion. Non-alcoholic white grape juice and a gluten-free option are also available if preferred. Please discard your Communion cup as you leave worship.

If you would like prayer for healing and anointing with oil, please come to the back of the room after you have been served, and an elder will pray for you. This will be a time of liturgical prayer; you will not be asked to share your particular situation.

*The minister concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.*

Through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
with whom and in whom,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father,  
for ever and ever.

**All** Amen.

*The minister speaks the Words of Institution.*

## Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All** Christ has died:  
Christ is risen:  
Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

**All** Therefore, let us keep the feast.

## Communion Song

### Draw Nigh

Latin, 7th century; Vito Aiuto

1. Draw nigh and take the bo - dy\_ of the Lord and drink the  
 2. He that in this world rules his saints and shields to all be -  
 3. Ap - proach ye, then, with faith - ful hearts sin - cere and take the  
 ho - ly blood for you out-poured. Of - fered was he for great - est and for  
 lie - vers life e - ter - nal yields, with heav'n - ly bread makes them that hun - ger  
 pledg - es of sal - va - tion here. O Judge of all, our on - ly sa - vior  
 least, him - self the vic - tim and him - self the priest.  
 whole, gives li - ving wa - ters to the\_ thir - sty soul.  
 thou, in this thy feast of love be\_ with us now.

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# Prayer after Communion

All O God, whose beauty is beyond our imagining  
and whose power we cannot comprehend:  
show us your glory as far as we can grasp it,  
and shield us from knowing more than we can bear  
until we may look upon you without fear,  
through Jesus Christ our Savior.  
Amen.

# Blessing and Sending

*A Mighty Fortress*

Martin Luther, Frederick Hedge



1. A might - y for - tress is\_\_\_ our God, a bul wark nev - er fail - ing;  
2. Did we in our\_ own strength con fide, our striv - ing would be los - sing;  
3. And though this world, with dev - ils filled, should threat en to un - do\_\_\_ us,  
4. That Word a - bove all earth - ly pow'rs, no thanks to them, a - bid - eth;



our help - er he\_\_\_ a - mid\_ the flood of mor - tal ills pre - vail - ing.  
were not the right man on\_\_\_ our side, the man of God's own choos - ing.  
we will not fear,\_ for God\_ hath willed his truth to tri - umph through\_ us.  
the Spir - it and\_ the gifts\_ are ours through him who with us sid - eth.



For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe; his craft and pow'r are  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is he, Lord Sa - ba - oth his  
The prince of darkness grim, we trem - ble not for him; his rage we can en -  
Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al - so; the bod - y they may



great; and armed with cru - el hate, on earth is not his e - qual.  
name, from age to age the same, and he must win the bat - tle.  
dure, for lo! his doom is sure; one lit - tle word shall fell\_\_\_ him.  
kill: God's truth a - bid - eth still; his king - dom is for - ev - er.

GOD SENDS US  
INTO THE WORLD

*We have responded  
to God's call, heard  
his word, offered  
ourselves to his  
service, and received  
strength at his table.  
Now, at the close of  
worship, God sends us  
out to carry forward  
the gospel story.*

## Benediction

May the Father,  
who fed his children with manna in the wilderness,  
strengthen you in your pilgrimage to the Promised Land;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
be among you, and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

## Dismissal

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our  
Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**All Thanks be to God.**

## West Philly

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Stacy Bartholomew: liturgist  
Tuck Bartholomew: celebrant

Bethany Brooks: piano, voice  
Jaron Olevsky: bass  
Joshua Shaffer: drums

# CONNECT

**COMMUNITY GROUPS** range in size from 10-15 people and meet weekly in the home of a group member for spiritual formation and friendship. We encourage you to visit multiple groups to see which one might be a good fit. Contact a leader if you plan to visit. Contact Jonathan Davis, jonathan@citychurchphilly.com if you have questions.

## West Philly

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- 51<sup>st</sup> & Chestnut, Fridays 6PM  
Jason Turner, jason.h.turner@gmail.com

## Fairmount

- 21<sup>st</sup> & Parrish, Wednesdays 7PM  
Chaney Widmer, chaney.widmer@gmail.com
- 24<sup>th</sup> & Brown, Thursdays 7PM  
Katie Wildes, km.young.wildes@gmail.com
- 22<sup>nd</sup> & Poplar, Fridays 6:30PM  
Liz Voboril, voborils@gmail.com

## South Philly

- 12<sup>th</sup> & Wharton, Wednesdays 7:30PM  
Kirstin Peth, kirstin.peth@gmail.com

## Roxborough

- Tuesdays 6:30PM  
Cale Weatherly, cale.weatherly@gmail.com

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**FAMILY MINISTRIES** come alongside families as they disciple their children, seeking to help them cultivate friendships, connect with the wider church community, and grow into maturity as people of faith.

- Children's Ministry Our children's classes use a gospel-centered curriculum with scripture, stories, and activities to allow them opportunities to form spiritual friendships with their peers and teachers. See page 2 for site-specific details. Contact Ginger Hayes, ginger@citychurchphilly.com.
- City Church Youth, Sundays 12:30-2:30pm. Students and Volunteer Leaders gather at a Woodland Presbyterian Church (42 & Pine) for fellowship, bible study, and prayer. Lunch is provided each week. Contact Jonathan Davis, jonathan@citychurchphilly.com.

**UNIVERSITY STUDENTS** Ekklesia is our mid-week, liturgically oriented, worship space for college students. We meet together to pray, sing, confess, and hear from God's Word. Contact Natalie Harvey, natalie@citychurchphilly.com.

**55+** is a group of older people attending City Church who gather monthly after Sunday services for a shared meal and shared prayer. Contact Ginny Toliver, ginny.toliver@verizon.net.

## WOMEN'S DAYTIME BOOK

**STUDY** Tuesdays 9:30AM, Childcare available. Contact Eeva, eevaduddleston@gmail.com.

## GROW

**City Church is a community committed to** growing in our life of joy and peace through communion with God in Christ. God uses many means to form his children into his likeness. As a church family, City Church focuses on eight practices that Christians historically have embraced for their growth. At right are a few links to help you get started.

- Read about our approach to Spiritual Formation | [citychurchphilly.com/spiritual-formation](http://citychurchphilly.com/spiritual-formation)
- Sign up to receive Daily Prayer in your inbox [citychurchphilly.com/daily-prayer](http://citychurchphilly.com/daily-prayer)
- Check out current and upcoming Adult Ed classes | [citychurchphilly.com/adult-ed](http://citychurchphilly.com/adult-ed)

## SERVE

### Church

- Prepare the space for worship by joining one of our hospitality teams: setup, communion, coffee, greeters, and scripture readers. Contact Dan Cason (UCity), [dan@citychurchphilly.com](mailto:dan@citychurchphilly.com) Ryan McCormick(Fairmount), [rmmccormick@outlook.com](mailto:rmmccormick@outlook.com)
- Serve our children and youth. Contact Ginger Hayes (children), [ginger@citychurchphilly.com](mailto:ginger@citychurchphilly.com) Jonathan Davis (youth), [jonathan@citychurchphilly.com](mailto:jonathan@citychurchphilly.com)

### City

- Serve dinners with University City Hospitality Coalition on Friday evenings at Woodland Presbyterian Church, 42nd & Pine. Contact Julia Snyder, [julia.a.snyder@gmail.com](mailto:julia.a.snyder@gmail.com)
- Tutor 1st graders at Lea Elementary. Contact Stacy Bartholomew, [stacy.bartholomew@gmail.com](mailto:stacy.bartholomew@gmail.com)

### World

- Assist refugees with needs such as housing, employment, transportation, community resources, education, and social services through our partnership with HIAS Pennsylvania. Contact Esuga Abaya, [esugaabaya@gmail.com](mailto:esugaabaya@gmail.com)
- Host international students for dinner. Contact Lyn Newbrander, [lnewbrander@isionline.org](mailto:lnewbrander@isionline.org)

## GIVE

**The intentional financial participation** of those who consider City Church their church home is vital. If you are not already tithing regularly, please prayerfully consider doing so. Our desire in giving is not only to meet our own needs but to be able to serve others in our city and neighborhoods. Here are a few ways that you can contribute financially to City Church:

- Place cash or check in the offering basket on Sundays
- Give online | [citychurchphilly.com/give](http://citychurchphilly.com/give)
- Text any amount to 84321, follow the link, and select City Church Philadelphia
- Checks may be mailed or arranged through Electronic Bill Pay to be sent to: City Church, PO Box 30902, Philadelphia, PA 19104

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Kids' Summer Celebration | July 10-12** Children who are at least 4 years of age through age 10 are invited to join us at Summer Celebration. This fun-filled event includes dinner, games, music, science, crafts and learning more about our Savior! Cost is free. Sign up at [citychurchphilly.com/summercelebration2019](http://citychurchphilly.com/summercelebration2019). Volunteers are needed! Please Ginger at [Ginger@citychurchphilly.com](mailto:Ginger@citychurchphilly.com) to learn more.

**Women's Summer Studies Starting Soon** In his book, *Being Disciples*, Rowan Williams challenges us to consider the calling of the church to be a learning community that helps followers of Jesus to grow. We invite the women of City Church to do just that this summer, using *Being Disciples* as the jumping-off point for our discussions. Purchasing the book is recommended but not required. Come as often as you are able!

- UCITY: Tuesday nights in July (9, 16, 23, & 30) from 7-9 pm at the Bartholomew's house, RSVP at [citychurchphilly.com/summerstudy](http://citychurchphilly.com/summerstudy)
- FAIRMOUNT: Thursday nights in August (1, 8, 15, and 22) from 7-9pm at the Cottrell's house. RSVP at [citychurchphilly.com/summerstudy](http://citychurchphilly.com/summerstudy)

**Summer Service Opportunity: Friday Night Meal Volunteers**

We're looking for volunteers especially on 7/5, 7/12, 8/9 and 8/16. Volunteers help with serving the meal and cleaning up. You may also get your own plate and sit with guests between the first and second servings. There are lively conversations to be had! The meals are served at Woodland Presbyterian Church (42nd and Pine) between 5:45-7:00. Contact Julia Snyder at [julia.a.snyder@gmail.com](mailto:julia.a.snyder@gmail.com) if you are interested.

**Wanted: Children's Ministry Coordinator** We're hiring a part-time Children's Ministry Coordinator. A job description is posted on our website. Applications are due July 31st. Contact Chris at [chris@citychurchphilly.com](mailto:chris@citychurchphilly.com) for more information.

**Fairmount Summer Schedule.** On summer Sundays, we'll gather at 4:30 pm for: 1st Sunday – Leadership Gathering, 4:30-6 (kids at The City School Fairmount, adults at a nearby home), 2nd Sunday – Serve Together (details TBD), 3rd Sunday – Meet up @ The Oval, 4th Sunday – Summer-Style Family-Friendly Worship & Taco Truck (at City School Fairmount). View the full schedule at [citychurchphilly.com/fairmount](http://citychurchphilly.com/fairmount). If you haven't been receiving Fairmount emails but would like to stay in the loop, please email Liz.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

### July

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**10-12** Kids Summer Celebration

**28** Taco Truck Sunday

### August

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**25** Taco Truck Sunday

# July 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2	3	4	5 UCHC Dinner	6
7	8	9 Summer Women's Group	10 Kids Summer Celebration		12 UCHC Dinner	13
14	15	16 Summer Women's Group	17	18	19 UCHC Dinner	20
21	22	23 Summer Women's Group	24	25	26 UCHC Dinner	27
28 Taco Truck Sunday 4th Sunday Prayer	29	30 Summer Women's Group	31			

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# Help us welcome you.

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Children & their ages:** \_\_\_\_\_

**If undergrad or grad student, school & year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Would you like to receive our weekly e-newsletter?**  Yes  No

## **Please contact me about:**

- Community Groups
- Neighborhood Service Opportunities
- Volunteering on Sundays
- Children's & Youth Ministries
- Meeting with a Pastor
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

## **Prayer Requests**

*Our staff prays weekly on Tuesdays, and our deacons pray monthly on 4th Sundays.*

*Fill out your name above if you'd like to be prayed for by name.*

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