



# **Christ Our Hope**

Presbyterian Church (PCA)

**Lord's Day Worship**  
September 21, 2025

*We preach Christ crucified...*  
*Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God...*  
- 1 Corinthians 1:23, 24 -

# Order for the Worship of God

September 21, 2025 | 9:30 AM

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*Italics indicate congregational participation and/or standing.*

## **We Adore the Lord and Honor Him as King**

### **Call to Worship | Psalm 27:4**

*One thing I have desired of the LORD, that will I seek; that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the LORD, and to inquire in His temple.*

### **Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

#### **Songs of Adoration**

*Gloria Patri*

*#53 | Praise to the Lord the Almighty*

### **Call to Repentance**

*The Ten Commandments & The Great Commandment*

### **Confession of Sin |** Adapt. from H.O. Old, Leading in Prayer, based on Daniel 9:4-19

*O Lord, great God, all holy; Father most gracious, filled with mercy and steadfast love: we are ashamed to come before You, for we have preferred the ways of this world to Your ways; we have rebelled against Your wisdom revealed in Your holy Law, and so brought trouble on ourselves; we have rejected the fatherly guidance of Your Word, and so feel hopelessly lost. And therefore we are ashamed. To You belongs righteousness, O Lord, and to us confusion of face. O Lord, great God, all holy, full of glory; Father, most gracious, full of mercy and steadfast love: incline Your ear to our troubles. Hear us when we pour out our sorrows before You. Forgive us, not on the ground of our own righteousness, but on the ground of Your great mercy, in the gift of Your Son, Jesus Christ. It is in His name that we pray, for He is our Savior, and mediator of the covenant of grace. Amen.*

### **Assurance of the Gospel | Galatians 4:4-5**

But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons.

### **Pastoral Prayer**

*The Lord's Prayer*

### **Song of Thanksgiving**

*#485 | O Thou That Hear'st When Sinners Cry*

# Lord Speaks to Us in the Ministry of the Word

NT Homily

Hebrews 5:12-14

Sermon Text

John 1:29-34

Sermon Title

“Behold! The Lamb of God!”

Prayer of Response

Song of Response

#246 | *Man of Sorrows! What a Name*

## We Commune with God and One Another in the Sacrament and Collection

**Confession of Faith** | Nicene Creed (325, 451 AD)

*I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible; and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried; and the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the Prophets. And we believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic Church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.*

\* That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

**Administration of the Lord's Supper**

**Words of Institution**

Grape juice is available in center cup/inner circle for those who cannot drink the wine in faith.

**Prayer of Thanksgiving**

**Collection with Singing of Praise**

*Psalm 23B | BOPFS*

*Doxology*

**Benediction** | Hebrews 13:20–21

Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom *be* glory forever and ever. Amen.

## **Gloria Patri**

*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.*

## **Doxology** (tune: “Old 100<sup>th</sup>”)

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here  
below; praise Him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy  
Ghost. Amen.*

## **Summary of God’s Law** (from Exodus 20 & Matthew 22)

*“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out  
of the house of bondage.”*

- I *You shall have no other gods before Me.*
- II *You shall not make for yourself a carved image – nor bow down to  
them nor serve them.*
- III *You shall not take the name of the LORD your God in vain.*
- IV *Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.*
- V *Honor your father and your mother.*
- VI *You shall not murder.*
- VII *You shall not commit adultery.*
- VIII *You shall not steal.*
- IX *You shall not bear false witness.*
- X *You shall not covet.*

*And our Lord Jesus said, “You shall love the LORD your God with all your  
heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great  
commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as  
yourself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the  
Prophets.”*

## **The Lord’s Prayer**

*Our Father in heaven,  
Hallowed be Your name.  
Your kingdom come.  
Your 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 do not lead us into temptation,  
    but deliver us from the evil one.  
For Yours is the kingdom  
    and the power  
    and the glory forever. Amen.*

## Sermon Notes

A Christ-centered Exposition of John 1:29-34

*“Behold! The Lamb of God!”*

**Theme:** *John the Baptist bears true witness to Jesus the Christ:*

Introduction

1. He is the Lamb of God who takes away our sin. (John 1:29)
2. He is the pre-existent One now revealed. (John 1:30-31)
3. He receives and pours out the Holy Spirit. (John 1:32-33)
4. He is the Son of God. (John 1:34)

Conclusion

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## Announcements/Opportunities

### Visitors' Sign-in

Welcome! If you are a visitor and would like someone to contact you with more information about our church, please scan the QR code on the back of this worship guide and fill in your contact information.

### Virtual Prayer Meeting | 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays at 4:00 pm (new time)

Zoom link sent weekly; join us for a brief season of prayer (40 mins.) to exalt our God and intercede on behalf of one another (see QR code on last page).

### NEW Ladies' Bible Study | September 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays)

Location: Church building (4080 S County Trail, Charlestown, RI). The ladies will be meeting for a Bible study in Hebrews – “Hoping for Something Better” by Nancy Guthrie. *For more details, please contact Ruth Slater or Sandy Swenson.*

### Men's Night | October 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday)

Location: Chris Shoemaker's house, weather permitting (540 Shermantown Rd., Saunderstown, RI); this is the monthly gathering of the men of the church for fellowship. *For more details, please contact Mark Slater.*

### Nursing Home Ministry | October 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:45 pm (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday)

South Kingstown Nursing & Rehabilitation Center (2115 S. County Trail, West Kingston, RI). *For more details, please contact Ruth Slater.*

### Today's Schedule:

Worship	9:30-11:15 am
Fellowship	11:15-11:30 am
Children's Christian Education	11:30-12:15 pm
Adult Sermon Discussion	11:30-12:00 pm
Corporate Prayer	12:00-12:15 pm

### Nursery and Cleaning Schedule

*If you are unable to fulfill your obligation as assigned, please find a replacement and inform Randy May so that the Worship Guide can be updated accordingly.*

	Nursery	Cleaning/Closing
Today	Randy May & Ryan Kilpatrick	Phelps
Next Week	Geoff Short & Elinor Short	Kilpatrick
10/5	Mark Slater & Caleb Shoemaker	May
10/12	Molly Whitman & Claire Short	Slater

Welcome to Christ Our Hope Presbyterian Church! We are a congregation of the Presbyterian Church in America. For God's glory and by His grace, we aim to be faithful to the scriptures, true to the Reformed faith, and obedient to the Great Commission – serving one another and South County through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Who We Are, What We Do, and Why:**

We are a Christ-centered, Law & Gospel, Word & Sacrament, Covenantal, Catechetical, Biblical & Historic, Reformed Church.

**Christ-centered** – we preach Christ and His work of redemption for us from Genesis to Revelation.

**Law & Gospel** – we proclaim the Law (which shows us our sin) and the Gospel (which shows us our Savior).

**Word & Sacrament** – we receive by faith the means of grace Christ has given for our salvation: the Word read, preached, sung, prayed, and made visible in the sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper.

**Covenantal** – we embrace the covenant structure of Scripture, as revealed in the covenants of the Bible and culminating in the New Covenant sealed in the blood of Jesus Christ; and we believe that our covenant God deals with us not only individually, but also as families, and corporately as His Church.

**Catechetical** – we utilize historic Reformed catechisms as we make disciples by baptizing and teaching men, women, and children everything that Jesus commanded us to observe.

**Biblical & Historic** – we worship in accord with the ancient Western liturgy, reformed according to the Scripture.

**Reformed** – we confess the historic creeds, adhere to the Westminster Standards, appreciate the Three Forms of Unity, and govern the church according to Presbyterian polity.

**Church** – we assemble as one part of the universal church, appointed by Christ as the means by which His people of all nations would be gathered and grow in grace.

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Sign-up Form



Zoom Link  
Virtual Prayer