

Christ's Community Church
Worship Service
March 30, 2025
9:30 AM



**Gathering
Silence**

Time of

Welcome and Announcements

Rev. Mary K. Zambrana

Call to Worship

Lighting the Christ Candle #701 PH

“Sanctuary”

Christine Bodden

Opening Prayer

† Song #519 PH “You Are My Strength When I Am Weak”

Emmanuel Saylee

You are my strength when I am weak,
you are the treasure that I seek.

You are my all in all.

When I fall down, you pick me up,
when I am dry you fill my cup.

You are my all in all.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is your name.

(repeat)

† Blessing of the Children

“You Are Somebody”

You are somebody,
somebody on the Lord's side.
You are somebody,

Somebody on the Lord's side.

Call to Confession

Tracy Johnson

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

In humility and faith let us confess our sin to God.

Confession of Sin

Let us join together in confession:

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 and mind and strength.

We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the
glory of your holy name.

Assurance of Pardon

The mercy of the Lord
is from everlasting to everlasting.

I declare to you in the name of Jesus Christ,
you are forgiven.

May the God of mercy,
who forgives you all your sins, strengthen you in all goodness,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit
keep you in eternal life.

Amen

Sharing the Peace Johnson

Tracy

Worship Leader: May the peace of Christ be with you.

Response: And also with you.

Turn and share the peace with the people around you without leaving your seat.

† **Song #40 RH
Engell**

"To God Be the Glory", 3 verses

Debbie

Vs 1 -To God be the glory, great things he hath done!
So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
who yielded his life an atonement for sin,

and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Vs 2 – O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood,
To every believer the promise of God;
The vilest offender who truly believes,
That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father through Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Vs 3 – Great things He hath taught us,
Great things he has done,
And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
But purer, and higher, and greater will be
Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the earth hear his voice!
Praise the Lord, praise the Lord,
let the people rejoice!
O come to the Father thru Jesus the Son,
and give him the glory, great things he hath done!

Presenting the Word

Worship Leader: Your Word Lord, is eternal.

Congregation: It stands firm in the heavens forever!" Psalm 119:89

(Bible is walked to the table)

Consecration of Gifts:

The Bread and the Cup

Worship Leader: For God so loved the world he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life!

(The communion elements are brought up to the table)

Now, as Christ humbled himself and gave Himself on the cross on our behalf, let us consecrate our tithes and offerings to Him!

Even more than this: Let us “present our bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is our spiritual worship!

† **Offering Song #58 LYH**

“I Bow Down”

Debbie Engell

Love and faithfulness,
tender mercy, grace unmeasured comes to me.

So to honor You, give the glory due,
I bow down.

Bending low before your sov’reignty;
to the Lamb now robed in majesty,
praise and honor, glory, power be evermore.

Love and faithfulness, tender mercy,
grace unmeasured comes to us.
So to honor You, give the glory due,
we bow down.

Bending low before your sov’reignty;
to the Lamb now robed in majesty,
praise and honor, glory, power be evermore. (repeat)

(Please be seated)

Prayer for Illumination

Tracy Johnson

Lord, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit,
that as the scriptures are read and your Word is proclaimed,
we may hear with joy what you say to us today.

Worship Leader: "Hear the Word of the Lord"

Old Testament: Joshua 5:9-12

⁹The LORD said to Joshua, 'Today I have rolled away from you the disgrace of Egypt.' And so that place is called Gilgal to this day.

¹⁰ While the Israelites were encamped in Gilgal they kept the passover in the evening on the fourteenth day of the month in the plains of Jericho.

¹¹ On the day after the passover, on that very day, they ate the produce of the land, unleavened cakes and parched grain.

¹² The manna ceased on the day they ate the produce of the land, and the Israelites no longer had manna; they ate the crops of the land of Canaan that year.

Psalm 32 (Responsive)

Hank Engell

¹ Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

² **Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

³ While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴ **For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**
Selah

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, 'I will confess my transgressions to the LORD',
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
Selah

⁶ **Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;
at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.**

⁷ You are a hiding-place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.
Selah

⁸ **I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.**

⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰ **Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.**

¹¹ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21
Zambrana

Rev. Mary Kruse

¹⁶ From now on, therefore, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way.

¹⁷ So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation;

¹⁹ that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us.

²⁰ So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.

²¹ For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Pastor: "This is the Word of the Lord."

Response: "Thanks be to God."

† Song #821 PH

"My Life Flows On", vs 1 & 2

Debbie Engell

Vs 1 – My life flows on in endless song,
Above earth's lamentation,
I hear the clear, though far-off hymn that hails a new creation.

Refrain: No storm can shake my inmost calm

While to that Rock I'm clinging.

Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,

How can I keep from singing.

Vs 2 – Through all the tumult and the strife,

I hear that music ringing,

It finds an echo in my soul,

How can I keep from singing?

Refrain: No storm can shake my inmost calm

While to that Rock I'm clinging,
Since Christ is Lord of heaven and earth,
How can I keep from singing.

Gospel Reading: Story Time

"It Makes No Sense At All"

Luke 15:11-32

**Sermon
Zambrana**

"The Morning Without Manna"

Rev. Mary Kruse

Invitation

Jesus said "Ask, and you will receive; seek and you will find;
knock and the door will be opened to you."
God abounds in love and mercy and welcomes our return,
for in Christ, God came to us that we might have abundant life.

† Song #507 PH

"Come to the Table of Grace"

Bea Feddy

Vs 1 – Come to the table of grace,
Come to the table of grace,
This is God's table, it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of grace.

Vs 2 – Come to the table of peace,
Come to the table of peace,
This is God's table, it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of peace.

Vs 3 – Come to the table of love,
Come to the table of love,
This is God's table, it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of love.

Vs 4 – Come to the table of hope,
Come to the table of hope,
This is God's table, it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of hope.

Vs 5 – Come to the table of joy,
Come to the table of joy,
This is God's table, it's not yours or mine.
Come to the table of joy.

† Affirmation of Faith (Nicene Creed)

Tracy Johnson

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth, of all that is seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
Eternally begotten of the Father, God from God,
Light from light, true God from true God,
Begotten, not made, of one being with the Father.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son, She is worshiped and glorified.

Please be seated.

Prayers of the People

The Lord's Supper

Rev. Mary Kruse Zambrana

Invitation to the Lord's Table:

Friends, this is the joyful feast of the people of God!
They will come from east and west, and from north and south,
and sit at table in the kingdom of God.

This is the Lord's table.
Our Savior invites those who trust in him to share the feast which he has prepared.

Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

(Prayer by pastor continues leading to responsive section below)

Therefore, we praise you, joining our hearts with choirs of angels
and with all the faithful of every time and place,

who forever sing to the glory of your name.

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who come in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

(Prayer continues with prayer leading to responsive section below)

Christ is the bread of life:

**When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, Lord Jesus,
until you come in glory.**

Lord's Prayer

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 sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
And lead us not into temptation
But deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen

Communion of the People #840 PH

"When Peace like a River"

Christine Bodden

† Charge and Benediction

† Song

"Go Now in Peace"

Emmanuel Saylee

Go now in peace,
Go now in peace,
May the love of God surround you
Everywhere, everywhere, you may go.
(repeat)

Postlude

9:30 a.m., Sunday Worship Service

Looking ahead

March 31, Monday	6:30 p.m., Girl Scouts
April 1, Tuesday	7:00 p.m., Lenten Series on Zoom
	7:00 p.m., NA
	7:00 p.m., Al-Anon
April 2, Wednesday	7:00 p.m., NA
April 3, Thursday	7:00 p.m., NA
April 5, Saturday	9:00 a.m., Men's Fellowship
April 6, Sunday	8:00 a.m., Breakfast in Fellowship Hall
	9:30 a.m., Worship Service
April 11 and 12	9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Church Mouse

Counting Team: Mary Ellen's Team

- The chair glide located at the tower entrance of the church on Riverview Avenue is available for anyone who may want assistance.
- Nursery is available for young children.

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Pray the Word! Practice the Word! Proclaim the Word!

We seek the kingdom of God as we embrace all people and share the experience of God's steadfast love in Jesus Christ in Worship, Fellowship, Discipleship, Ministry and Mission.

For Our Guests:

Welcome in Christ's Name! We pray that you will know of God's love for you through the warmth of this congregation.

1. Welcome envelopes can be found in the pew. You are invited to place in the offering plate during the offering time. If you would like a pastoral visit, please make a note on the welcome envelope or contact the office, (610) 259-2696.
2. Do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. As our guest, we only ask you to complete the name portion of the envelope and place it in the offering plate at the appropriate time.

Continue intercessory prayer for:

Illness: Lisa Jeffries, health; Colleen Teti

Also keep in prayer: Wars, gun violence, those suffering from disasters and droughts, connecting Elders to Youth, Presbytery of Philadelphia

Sharing Your Joys and Concerns: Write the joy or concern on the attendance slip; place it in the offering plate.

Invitation to Communion

All who confess Jesus Christ as Lord are invited to share the Bread and the Cup when they are served!

SESSION

Moderator: Rev. Mary K. Zambrana

CLASS OF 2025

Eric Myers
Susan Parker

CLASS OF 2026

Lisa Jeffries
Emmanuel Saylee

CLASS OF 2027

Holton Falk (Clerk of Session)
Sandy Reilly

DEACONS

Heidi Hamilton & Nathan Johnson, Deacon Administrators
Aaron Geh & Veronica Hernandez

Let's remember our Shut-Ins on their birthdays. You can send birthday wishes to:

March 31

Mrs. Peggy Long
217 Marshall Landing
Glen Mills, PA 19342

Ongoing Mission Opportunities:

WYCLIFFE BIBLE TRANSLATORS – We have supported Marge during her forty years of service to Wycliffe Bible Translators. Now that she has retired, we will continue to support her with a check to Wycliffe Bible Translators with designation for her retirement fund.

CAMP DEBORAH is a mission project in Zambia that we support.

THE CHURCH MOUSE is a thrift shop run by the women that sells used items to the community and funds are donated to local charities or for needs of the church.

UPPER DARBY FOOD CUPBOARD: we financially support our community food cupboard and welcome food contributions that we deliver to the cupboard as a donation.

Items needed for donations: corn, soup-tomato and chicken noodle, spaghetti sauce, pasta, peanut butter, spam, nutrition/snack bars and pop tarts.

INNER CITY MOVEMENT/THEATER 700: we invest in our local youth through this Bible based Theatre that trains youth and their parents in performing and creative arts.

YOUNG LIFE DELCO: we support the YL mission in its effort to work with single mothers providing guidance and introducing them to Jesus Christ and helping them grow in their faith.

LIFE CENTER MEAL: every fifth Saturday of the month, volunteers prepare an evening meal for the 63rd Street Life Center of Eastern Delaware County.

CAMPUS CRUSADE FOR CHRIST INTERNATIONAL: This ministry builds and sends Christ-centered multiplying disciples who launch spiritual movements.

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY CENTER: nurtures families, strengthens neighborhoods, and drives change. People's Emergency Center is committed to increasing equity and opportunity throughout our entire community.