

Lord's Day Service

Second Sunday of Epiphany

10:30 a.m.

Prelude (Please be seated by this time)
Meditation & Preparation for Worship

Call to Worship

God Summons His People

❖ *Sanctus*407

❖ Adoration

Leader: The Lord is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of those who are in awe of Him.

All: He will hear their cry and save them. Amen

Leader: Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the highest heavens, the earth and all that is in it (Deut. 10:14)

Leader: Lift up your hearts!
All: We lift them up to the Lord!

❖ **Prayer of Praise**
❖ **Congregational Response:** *Psalm of the Month*
Hallelujah! Praise the Lord (Ps.150).....196

Confession

God Cleanses His People

Exhortation
Scripture Reading of Confession

Congregation is invited to kneel if able

Beware, lest your hearts be deceived and you turn away and serve other gods and worship them. Or the anger of the Lord will be kindled against you, and He will shut up the heavens so that there will be no rain and the ground will not yield its fruit; and you will perish quickly from the good land which the Lord is giving you (Deut. 11:16-17).

Prayer of Confession

All: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto you, that we are by nature

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sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against you by thought, word, and deed. Wherefore we flee for refuge to your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring your grace, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ. Selah. [Time of Silent Confession of Individual Sins] Amen.

❖ Assurance of Pardon

See, I am setting before you today a blessing and a curse: the blessing if you listen to the commandments of the Lord your God, which I am commanding you today (Deut. 11:26-27).

Leader: Your sins are forgiven through Christ
All: Thanks be to God!

❖ **Hymn of Praise..**(*See insert in back of Cantus Christi*)
Gloria in Excelsis (Glory be to God on High)

❖ Confession of Faith: The Nicene Creed

Leader: Christian, What Do You Believe?

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the 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 sits on the right hand of the Father; and He shall come again, with glory, to judge the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, 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 I believe one holy catholic and apostolic Church. I acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

❖ Confession of Faith: The Heidelberg Catechism

Leader: Question 100: Is it, therefore, so great a sin to blaspheme God's name by cursing and swearing that God is also angry with those who do not try to prevent and forbid it as much as they can?

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All: Yes, indeed; for no sin is greater or provokes his wrath more than the profaning of his name. That is why he commanded it to be punished with death.

❖ **Congregational Response**
My Heart Has Found a Ready Theme.....80-81

Consecration

God Equips and Prepares His People

❖ Reading of the Universal Word

Jeremiah 31:15-25 & Matthew 2:13-18

Leader: The Word of the Lord!

All: Thanks be to God!

(Please be seated following the scripture reading)

Opening Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving

Petitions & Closing Prayer

(Prayer ends with the Lord's Prayer, debtors' version)

❖ **Congregational Response**
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee.....359
(Remain standing for reading of the sermon text)

Preaching of the Particular Word

❖ **Text:** Ephesians 2:8-10
Message: "By Grace Through Faith"
By Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

Offertory – *Create in Me a Clean Heart (Ps.51)*....415
(Remain seated for Offertory, Prayer & Hymn of Gratitude & Praise)

Prayer of Dedication

Hymn of Gratitude & Praise
O Praise Ye the Lord!.....*see insert*

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Communion

God Nourishes His People

The Bread & Wine

All Creatures of Our God and King (v.1-2 bread)...288-9
All Creatures of Our God and King (v.3-5 wine)....288-9

Commissioning

God Blesses and Sends His People

❖ **Congregational Response** *Gloria Patri*.....436
❖ **Charge & Benediction**

Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler over the kings of the earth. To Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen (Rev. 1:4-6).

(Please be seated after the Lord's Day Service for Announcements)

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Announcements

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

- Thanksgiving for the men who will preach for us in the future
- Thanksgiving for our Mother church, Christ Church of Moscow, its Session of Elders and Deacons.
- Continuing petitions; Elder and Steering Committee for wisdom.

Speakers/Announcements/Other:

- Mr. Joe Crawford leads our service today
- 1/22: Rev. Francis Foucachon leads our service
- 1/22: Monthly Fellowship Luncheon after service
- 1/29: Csaba Leidenfrost leads our service
- 1/31: Heads of Households meeting

Church Leadership

Elder: Dr. Mike Lawyer, Associate Minister, Christ Church Moscow, elder *pro tempore* of Christ Church Missoula
Steering Committee: Mr. Joe Crawford, Chairman;
Dr. Mike Lawyer; Mr. Taylor Crawford

Welcome

Visitors

If you are visiting our church today, we welcome you to our worship service and Christian community. If you are interested in learning more about us, please fill out a visitor's card and place it in the offering box on the welcome table. Your personal information will be kept confidential. We invite you to join our fellowship time after the service so that we might get to know you better.

About Us

If you are unfamiliar with our church, please pick up a copy of our informational brochure located on the Welcome Table for some helpful background material. More in-depth information is available at our website, www.christchurchmissoula.com, including our Constitution and Book of Confessions which contains our Statement of Faith.

Form of Worship

If your background is primarily in contemporary worship, you may be unfamiliar with our form of worship known as covenant renewal. This pattern or liturgy follows our rich heritage of historic Protestant worship that rose from the Reformation.

God summons us to worship during the *Call to Worship*. During *Confession*, we are cleansed so that we might approach God for purposes of praising and worshipping Him. During *Consecration*, God teaches us and prepares us through the reading and preaching of His word, prayer and the offering. During our weekly *Communion* we celebrate a covenant renewal meal, the Lord's Supper. Finally, during *Commissioning*, God blesses and sends us out to fulfill the Great Commission.

Almighty God is the focus of the Lord's Day Service, not man. Instrumental and choral accompaniment is provided from behind the congregation to strengthen our praise and worship and to keep our attention on Him. Far from lethargic, our worship is hearty and bold, including our singing and resounding corporate amens! You are invited to kneel with us during the Prayer of Confession and to raise your hands during the singing of the *Gloria Patri* at the conclusion of the service; however, this is optional. You will need to mark songs in the *Cantus Christi* before the service as we do not announce the page numbers of the music or instruct the congregation when to sit or stand. More information on the biblical rationale for our

form of worship is available on our Welcome Table and website.

Communion

"May I Come To The Lord's Table?" We warmly invite to the Lord's Table all those who are baptized disciples of Jesus Christ, under the authority of Christ and His body, the Church. By eating the bread and drinking the wine with us as a visitor, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in the sovereign mercy of God, and that you are trusting in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. You also acknowledge to the elder and Steering Committee of this congregation that you are in covenant with God, being active in a congregation which is covenantally bound to the triune God through Word and sacrament. If you have any doubt about your participation, please speak to our elder or a member of the Steering Committee after the service.

The inner circle of the serving tray contains grape juice in tinted cups and the outer circle contains wine in clear cups. Our elder and steering committee encourages everyone to take the wine. Juice is available for those who cannot drink the wine in faith (Romans 14:23). Please hold each element until all have been served so that we may partake together.

Offering Box

God loves a cheerful giver and we desire that those attending our services be free from any pressure to contribute resulting from passing an offering plate during the service. Consequently, we provide a box on the Welcome Table for receipt of all tithes and offerings. During the Offertory the box is brought forward and placed on the Communion Table as an offering unto the Lord.

Attribution

The writings of John Calvin, Dr. Martyn Lloyd-Jones, C.H. Spurgeon and Douglas Wilson are regularly used in our services.

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