

CHRIST
THE REDEEMER
-PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH-

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
June 14, 2026

Welcome to CHRIST THE REDEEMER...

We're glad you've joined us. Whether you have followed Jesus your whole life or you can't remember the last time you stepped foot in a church, we want you to feel welcome to come as you are and worship with our church family. If you have any questions about our church or where to find something, please don't hesitate to ask. We're excited about what God is doing among us as we seek to live, grow and serve as followers of Jesus in Portland and in our surrounding neighborhoods. So, welcome to CTR, we'd love to have you as part of our family.

During our service, our nursery is open for babies who are crawlers through 3-year-olds. If you need help finding the nursery area, please ask any of our greeters!

Children's Church is in session. After the blessing each week, children age 4 – 1st grade are welcome to go to Children's Church. They will re-join their families after the sermon.

→ You may use this QR code to link to the lyrics in our worship service today.



THE RHYTHM OF OUR WORSHIP

On the road to Emmaus (Luke 24), when Jesus' disciples found themselves troubled and confused, Jesus met them along the way. When they confessed their troubles and doubts to Him, His words and presence began to change them. He unfolded God's Word to them, pointing to His own person and work. He dined with them, giving thanks and breaking bread. The disciples recognized their Lord's presence with them and hurried to tell others the good news.

In the Emmaus story, we recognize the pattern of historic Christian worship as it began to take shape. Our worship liturgy at Christ the Redeemer moves through a specific rhythm: God **SUMMONS** us as His people, God **SANCTIFIES** us to Himself, God **SPEAKS** to us in His Word, God **STRENGTHENS** us at His table, and God **SENDS** us into the world to share His grace.

The emphasis throughout our worship is upon God's action and our appropriate response. In worship, we rehearse the gospel message of Jesus' death and resurrection and are caught up into the mission of the Triune God. The flow of our liturgy aims at drawing us further into the life of the Trinity as children of God and then impelling us outward into our world.

-adapted from City Church Philadelphia Guide to Our Worship

G O D S U M M O N S

[P R A I S E]

CALL TO WORSHIP

[L] Give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

[P] **Sing to God; sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!**

[L] Glory in God's holy name!
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

[P] **God remembers his covenant forever,
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.**

[All] **Let us worship God!**

Psalm 105:1-3, 8

SONG

COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING

G O D S A N C T I F I E S

[R E N E W A L]

CONFESSION OF SIN

[P] **Gracious God, we desire to follow when you call. We long to live according to the ways of Jesus, yet we find ourselves stumbling. Forgive us for the times we have failed to follow your example of compassion, love, and mercy. As you meet us with your grace and assurance, empower us to move when you call.**

TIME OF SILENT REFLECTION AND CONFESSION

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

[L] The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all, and his mercy is over all that he has made.

Psalm 145:8-9 ESV

[P] **Thanks be to God!**

SONG

AMAZING GRACE

LIFE OF THE PEOPLE
[ANNOUNCEMENTS]

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THE PEACE OF GOD
and THE BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

[L] May the peace of the Lord be always with you.

[P] **And also with you.**

[L] People of God, what is our prayer for these and all our children?

[All] **May the Lord be with you.**

[Children] **And also with you.**

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SONG

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL

G O D S P E A K S

[W O R D]

S C R I P T U R E

[beginning on **page 43** in the Pew Bible]

Exodus 2:11-15, 23-25; 3:1-15 ESV

Read by Marcela Wiechert

Moses Flees to Midian

¹¹ One day, when Moses had grown up, he went out to his people and looked on their burdens, and he saw an Egyptian beating a Hebrew, one of his people. ¹² He looked this way and that, and seeing no one, he struck down the Egyptian and hid him in the sand. ¹³ When he went out the next day, behold, two Hebrews were struggling together. And he said to the man in the wrong, “Why do you strike your companion?” ¹⁴ He answered, “Who made you a prince and a judge over us? Do you mean to kill me as you killed the Egyptian?” Then Moses was afraid, and thought, “Surely the thing is known.” ¹⁵ When Pharaoh heard of it, he sought to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh and stayed in the land of Midian. And he sat down by a well.

God Hears Israel's Groaning

²³ During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. ²⁴ And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. ²⁵ God saw the people of Israel—and God knew.

The Burning Bush

3 Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. ² And the angel of the Lord appeared to him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. ³ And Moses said, “I

will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned.” ⁴ When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, “Moses, Moses!” And he said, “Here I am.” ⁵ Then he said, “Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which

you are standing is holy ground.”⁶ And he said, “I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.” And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

⁷ Then the Lord said, “I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings,⁸ and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites.⁹ And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them.¹⁰ Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt.”¹¹ But Moses said to God, “Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?”¹² He said, “But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain.”

¹³ Then Moses said to God, “If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they ask me, ‘What is his name?’ what shall I say to them?”¹⁴ God said to Moses, “I am who I am.” And he said, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘I am has sent me to you.’”¹⁵ God also said to Moses, “Say this to the people of Israel: ‘The Lord, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you.’ This is my name forever, and thus I am to be remembered throughout all generations.

[L] The grass withers and the flower fades,
but the Word of God stands forever.

Isaiah 40:8

The Word of the Lord.

[P] **Thanks be to God.**

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Sermon Series:
LEAVING EGYPT, FINDING HOME

Sermon:
EXILE AND THE GOD WHO CALLS

Rev. Sean J.S. Roberts
Lead Pastor

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism Q & A's #1 & 2

[L] What is your only comfort in life and in death?

[P] **That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.**

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious blood and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven: in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ, by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

[L] What must you know to live and die in the joy of this comfort?

[P] **Three things: first, how great my sin and misery are; second, how I am set free from all my sins and misery; third, how I am to thank God for such deliverance.**

PRAYER OF THE PEOPLE

Led by Gabriel Wiechert

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art 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 lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:

For yours is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

SONG

SANCTUS

G O D S T R E N G T H E N S

[T A B L E]

CELEBRATING HOLY COMMUNION

A Word about Communion: Communion is the family meal of Christians. Baptized believers actively looking to Jesus as their hope for salvation are warmly invited to share in this meal with us as our brothers and sisters.

- *Please follow the directions given by the pastor in how to come to the front to receive the elements and then return to your seat.*
- *Once you receive the bread and wine/juice, please hold on to it as you return to your seat. We will partake together as one body after everyone has received the elements.*
- *Children and those who are not partaking are also welcome to approach the servers for a prayer or word of God's blessing. We ask that you fold your hands as you approach so the server is aware.*
- *Please dispose of your communion cups and any other trash in the wastebasket located at the back of the sanctuary as you leave today. Thank you!*

WORDS OF INVITATION & INSTITUTION

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS

SONG

CHRIST THE TRUE AND BETTER

PRAYERS OF REFLECTION

PRAYER FOR THOSE SEARCHING FOR TRUTH

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 open to me 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 for you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

PRAYER OF BELIEF

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE STRUGGLING WITH SIN

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my needs 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 run with perseverance the race set before me, looking only to you, the author and finisher of my faith. Amen.

PRAYER OF COMMITMENT

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

G O D S E N D S

[MISSION]

RESPONSES OF JOY

OFFERING OUR LIVES AND RESOURCES

[our tithes and offerings]



If you would like to give online, please use this QR code:
This takes you to our online giving portal.

SONG

O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

B E N E D I C T I O N a n d S E N D I N G

[L] Go, as God's own people and proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light:

Once you were not a people,
but now you are God's people;
once you had not received mercy,
but now you have received mercy.

For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

And may the blessing of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus, now and always. Amen.

[P] **Thanks be to God.**

HIGHLIGHTS

June 14, 2026

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1 ON THE CALENDAR

+ CTRKids CHRISTIAN FORMATION CLASSES

SUNDAYS – 9:00 AM | 61 Neal Street, Portland

Group	Age	Class Location	Curriculum
Ram Island	Potty-Trained – PreK	Nursery	Show Me Jesus
Bug Light	K-1 st Grade	The Corner Room [old nursery]	The Biggest Story
Two Lights	2 nd -4 th Grade	The Commons [large room downstairs]	The Biggest Story
Head Light	5 th Grade – Middle School	Downstairs Foyer	New City Catechism

FMI, please contact Abby Reid @ areid@ctrportland.org or 404.723.4448.

ON THE CALENDAR

CTR NEIGHBORHOOD COOKOUT

SUNDAY, JUNE 14 – NOON | 61 Neal Street, Portland

Join us for a fun afternoon of food, connection, and community as we welcome our West End neighbors to share a meal together! We'll enjoy a cookout, time to connect, and a bounce house for the kids.

Hot dogs, burgers, chips, drinks, and cookies will be provided.

We invite the congregation to **bring a side dish or dessert** to share. Please bring all food items in a cooler, as there will be **no** refrigerator space available during the service or event.

Feel free to **bring lawn chairs** if you'd like to sit out on the lawn near the bounce house, though table seating will also be available for the meal.

We hope you'll join us for this wonderful opportunity to extend hospitality and enjoy fellowship together!

For more information, please contact Claire Roberts @ clerkus@gmail.com or 956.270.2565.

MEN'S DROP-IN

THURSDAY, JUNE 18 – 5:00 PM | Belleflower Brewing, 66 Cove St, Portland

Men of CTR, mark your calendars for our next Men's Drop-In on Thursday, June 18, from 5:00–6:30 pm at Belleflower in Portland.

These gatherings are simple by design—a chance to grab a drink, catch up with friends, meet some new faces, and enjoy a relaxed evening together. Whether you're a regular at CTR or just getting connected, we'd love to see you there.

ON THE CALENDAR

CTR @ THE PORTLAND SEA DOGS

FRIDAY, JULY 17 – | Hadlock Field, 271 Park Ave., Portland

Join CTR at the Portland Sea Dogs game on July 17th! They will be playing the Somerset Patriots and plan to stick around after the game for a fabulous fireworks show! Buy your discounted tickets through the QR code before the deadline of **July 3!**



Gates open at 4:30 pm - gametime is 6:20 pm.

FCA POWER CAMP

MON-THURS, JULY 20-23 – 9:00 AM-12:30 PM | Presumpscot Park, Portland

We are excited to partner again this summer with the Fellowship of Christian Athletes to host an unforgettable camp experience for kids in our city!

FCA Camp 2026 runs **July 20–23, 9 am–12:30 pm**, at **Presumpscot Park** (next to Deering High School in Portland) for **kids ages 5–13**. It will be four fun-filled days of sports and spiritual growth!

We're looking for people willing to serve in any of the following roles:

Head Coaches, Assistant Coaches, Teachers, Huddle Leaders, General Volunteers, Registration Volunteers, Greeters, Junior Camp Volunteers (younger helpers), Games Team, Post-Camp Dinner Team (help with the volunteer appreciation dinner on July 24), Provide Baked Goods or Coffee for Parents at Check-in



SIGN UP HERE TO
VOLUNTEER

You don't need to be an athlete- just someone who cares about kids and wants to make a difference for the Kingdom. Whether you can serve all four days or just one, your help matters!

Parents, Sign up your kids for Power Camp!

Do your kids love sports? Do you want them to grow in confidence, character, and faith this summer? Send them to FCA Power Camp!



SIGN UP YOUR
KIDS HERE

Campers will receive great coaching in one of the following sports: Basketball, Football, Softball, Baseball, Soccer

SUMMER IN THE PSALMS

Sundays, June 21 – August 9
9 AM in The Commons

As you heard at the end of our Liturgy Sermon Series, God has made us to sing to him. And to that end, one of the greatest gifts he has given us is the Book of Psalms. This collection of ancient Hebrew poetry is timeless in its relatability and reliability to direct us to bring the full range of our emotions before the Lord.

Come, join us for this 8-week summer study in this rich treasury of God's word and how each of these songs points us to God through Christ.

NOTE: We will **NOT** meet for class on Sunday, July 5.



DEEP ROOTS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

As part of our **Deep Roots Capital Campaign**, we've invited everyone in our community to prayerfully consider how they can support the next chapter of our church's life together.

If you would prefer to make a pledge online, please visit our **online pledge form**—and feel free to share the link with friends, family, or others in your circle who believe in the mission of our church.

Every gift, every conversation, and every step of faith helps us put down deep roots for generations to come.



TO
PLEDGE
ONLINE

SERVE...

At CTR, we believe that part of what makes the church a beautiful place is that it draws people with various passions and gifts into one body. Below are some opportunities to use your passions and gifts to serve one another and our local community.

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SPECIAL EVENTS.....Claire Roberts
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How Do I Get and Stay Connected at CTR?

At CTR we long for clear communication and deep bonds. We are excited that you're interested in being more connected and involved. The following is a list of our communication channels and their purpose in the life of our body:

1. EMAIL NEWSLETTER (*Keeping in Touch*)

This is the primary vehicle by which we communicate regarding the life of our church. Most weeks you will receive an email with announcements and upcoming events. From time to time, our elders will also use this vehicle for church-wide or members only correspondence. **NOTE:** *If you are not regularly checking your email from CTR, it will be difficult to feel and be connected in the life of our church. [Use this QR code to sign up for the email.]*



2. CTR APP & TEXT MESSAGES

The CTR App is designed to help those in our church interact with each other. It is largely crowd sourced and includes information on informal meetups, prayer requests, live and past sermons/services, different hobby groups, ways to give, etc. [See page 16 to download the App.]

Text Messages are sent exclusively as reminders about events in the days/hours immediately beforehand.

3. SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday mornings employ several communication methods, including written **announcements in our Order of Worship**, verbally highlighted **announcements**, and (new) **projected announcements** running before and after the service. Sunday Morning announcements are focused on pointing people to events and ministries that help them explore or integrate more fully into the life of our church. Given the diverse backgrounds and circumstances of those attending Sunday Morning Worship, only on rare and exceptional occasions will these vehicles be used by leadership for information that is primarily member focused.

4. CTR WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

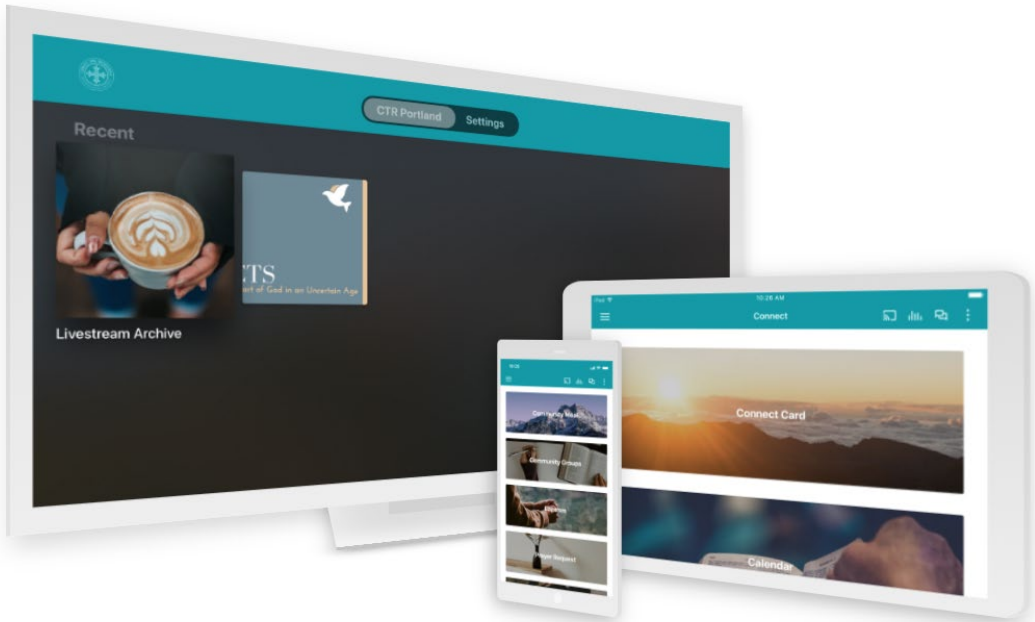
Both mediums are designed to be primarily outward facing.

The CTR Website [ctrportland.org] is designed to be our front door– a welcoming place for new people to discover and learn about our church. It is minimal in announcements and church life information.

Social Media [Instagram & Facebook] is used for promotion of church events. People are encouraged to “re-post” as a way of sharing with and inviting their friends. [@ctrportland]

If you would like to access or have had difficulty accessing any of these vehicles, please contact ctr@ctrportland.org. Our admin, Cheryl Sullivan, is happy to help you get integrated into our communication systems.

DOWNLOAD THE CTR APP!





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Christ the Redeemer Presbyterian Church
longs to be a diverse people who gather around
and extend the table of God's grace.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE at 10:00 AM

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In need of assistance?

If you're experiencing a material need beyond what you can manage, the CTR Deacons may be able to help. Please call them at 207-331-1304 or email deacons@ctrportland.org. All inquiries will remain confidential, and you will receive a reply within twenty-four hours.

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