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Welcome and Opening prayer

Lord, direct our thoughts, and teach us to know You better. Lift up our hearts to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Introductory call to worship

(Psalm 62)

Find rest in God;

our hope comes from him.

Truly He is our rock and our salvation;

He is our fortress; We will not be shaken.

Our salvation and our honour depend on God;

He is our mighty rock, our refuge.

Trust in Him at all times, you people;

pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, our shelter from the stormy blast, and our eternal home:

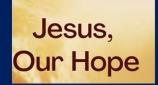
Beneath the shadow of your throne your people lived secure; sufficient is your arm alone, and our defence is sure.

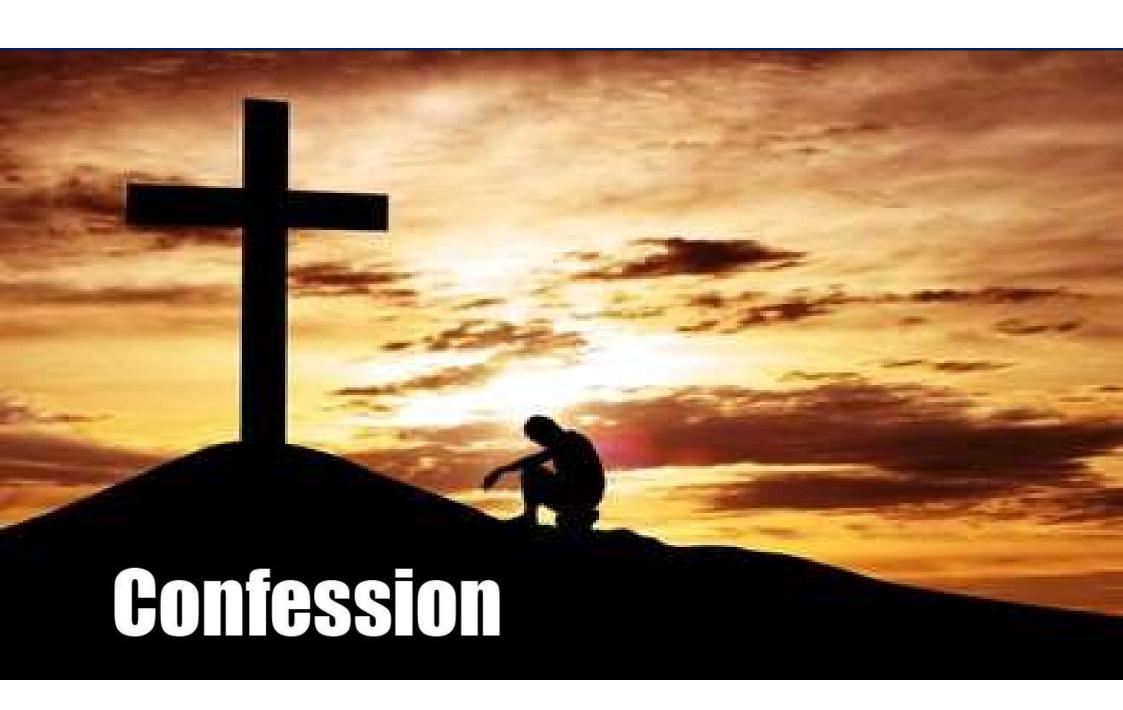
Before the hills in order stood, or earth from darkness came, from everlasting you are God, to endless years the same.

A thousand ages in your sight are like an evening gone; short is the watch that ends the night, before the rising sun.

Time, like an ever-rolling stream, will bear us all away; we pass forgotten, as a dream dies with the dawning day.

O God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come: be our defence while life shall last, and our eternal home!





'If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.'

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned in thought, word and deed. We have not loved you with our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbour as ourselves. In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid Ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! - who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save: Till on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied -For every sin on Him was laid; Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine -Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand: Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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Reading and Talk - Romans 8:18-25

18 I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us. 19 For the creation waits in eager expectation for the children of God to be revealed. 20 For the creation was subjected to frustration, not by its own choice, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope 21 that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the freedom and glory of the children of God. 22 We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.

Not only so, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for our adoption to sonship, the redemption of our bodies. ²⁴ For in this hope we were saved. But hope that is seen is no hope at all. Who hopes for what they already have? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness.
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus' Name.

(Repeat all)

Christ alone. Cornerstone. Weak made strong in the Saviour's love. Through the storm, He is Lord, Lord of all.

When darkness seems to hide His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace.
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil.
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When He shall come with trumpet sound Oh may I then in Him be found.

Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultless I stand before the throne.

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Prayers led by Celia Ensum (which may include)



Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.



Merciful Father,
accept these prayers for
the sake of your Son, our
Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be Your name, Your kingdom come, Your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are Yours now and forever. Amen.

I vow to thee, my country
All earthly things above
Entire and whole and perfect
The service of my love
The love that asks no questions
The love that stands the test

That lays upon the altar
The dearest and the best
The love that never falters
The love that pays the price
The love that makes undaunted
The final sacrifice

I've heard of long ago
Most dear to them that love her
Most great to them that know
We may not count her armies
We may not see her King

Her fortress is a faithful heart
Her pride is suffering
And soul by soul and silently
Her shining bounds increase
And her ways are ways of gentleness
And all her paths are peace.





Act of Commitment

Lord God our Father, we pledge ourselves to serve all humankind, in the cause of peace, for the relief of want and suffering and for the praise of Your name. Guide us by Your Spirit: give us wisdom; give us courage; give us hope and keep us faithful to You now and always. Amen.

Before the throne of God above I have a strong and perfect plea, A great High Priest whose name is Love, Who ever lives and pleads for me. My name is written on His hands, My name is hidden in His heart; I know that while in heav'n He stands No power can force me to depart, No power can force me to depart.

When Satan tempts me to despair And tells me of the guilt within, **Upward I look and see Him there** Who made an end to all my sin. Because the sinless Saviour died, My sinful soul is counted free; For God the Just is satisfied To look on Him and pardon me, To look on Him and pardon me.

Behold Him there the risen Lamb, My perfect sinless Righteousness. The great unchangeable I Am, The King of glory and of grace. One with my Lord I cannot die, My soul is purchased with His blood, My life is safe with Christ on high. With Christ my Saviour and my God, With Christ my Saviour and my God.





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We no longer take collections at our services but there is a retiring collection half of which will be given to the British Legion poppy appeal.



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The Colour Party will lead the clergy Procession and the Civic Party from the church. The procession will form up in William Street and will march to the War Memorial in the Park.



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Our aim at Christ Church St Andrews is to glorify God by building a Christ centred community through the power of the Holy Spirit.