

## CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

### WELCOME

...to all our visitors! We would like to greet you and get to know you, so please join us for fellowship following the service. Also, please be certain to complete a Visitor Card (available on back table) and put it into the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Thank you for joining us for worship.

### OUR PURPOSE

...is to promote obedience to Jesus Christ, the only redeemer and Lord, as he has revealed his will in the Holy Scriptures. A summary of what the Scriptures teach may be found in the Westminster Confession of Faith, and Larger and Shorter Catechisms, available upon request.

### CHURCH LEADERSHIP

Jason Wakefield	<i>Church Planter</i>
Rodney Collins	<i>Elder</i>
Doug Domin	<i>Elder</i>
Walter Gilde	<i>Elder</i>
Ralph Perrino	<i>Elder</i>
Dan Troy	<i>Elder</i>

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship Service	10:00 a.m.
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting	7:00 p.m.

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### Illustrations

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Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Manhattan

**Sermon:** Parable of the Mustard Seed and Leaven  
**Text:** Luke 13:18-21

### **Kingdom of God**

Psalm 145:11,13

Present  
Lk 11:20, 17:20-21

Future  
Luke 11:2, 22:18

1. Theocentric
2. Dynamic
3. Messianic
4. Salvation

### **Parable of the Mustard Seed & Leaven**

“THE BIRDS OF THE AIR NESTED IN ITS BRANCHES”

Ezekiel 17:23

D.A. Carson => The mustard seed represents extensive and amazing growth. The leaven represents intense transformation.

Donald Guthrie => The Mustard Seed tells us of the success of Jesus mission and the leaven is an example of its dynamic activity.

## **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

January 9, 2005

**Prelude:** We invite you to prepare your heart for the worship of our God.

### **Welcome and Announcements**

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### **Service of Praise**

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#### **\*Call to Worship**

Psalm 98:1-4

**Leader:** Sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

*People:* *The LORD has made his salvation known and revealed his righteousness to the nations.*

**Leader:** He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

*People:* *Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music.*

#### **\*Hymn of Praise**

O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing

N°164

#### **\*Prayer of Adoration**

## Call to Renewal

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### \*Confession of Sin

Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sins. For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us. Against you, you alone, have we sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are justified in your sentence and blameless when you pass judgment. Indeed, we were born guilty, sinners when our mothers conceived us. Hide your face from our sins, and blot out all our iniquities. Create in us clean hearts, O God, and put new and right spirits within us. Do not cast us away from your presence, and do not take your Holy Spirit from us, we pray through Him Who loved us and gave Himself for us, even our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

### A Moment of Private Confession

#### Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 34:4-5

I sought the Lord, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears. Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.

#### \*+Hymn of Thanks

Amazing Grace

N°460

#### Scripture Reading

Ezekiel 17

#### Prayer of Intercession

## Call to Commitment

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### Sermon

Parable of the Mustard Seed and Leaven  
Luke 13:18-21

### \*Hymn of Response

'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus

N°679

### Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

#### \*All Creatures of Our God and King

Verse 5

N°115

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

#### \*Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church\*; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

\* the universal Christian Church

#### \*Gloria Patri

N°735

#### \*Benediction

2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

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+Young children may leave for nursery during the singing of this hymn.

## Announcements for January 9, 2005

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*If you have any announcements or prayer requests, please contact the Oquists.  
Phone: 603-881-3808, Email: announcements@nashuaapca.org*

**Mission to the World** (PCA) is helping with disaster relief in Southeast Asia after the recent tsunami. You can contribute during our regular offering time January 16 and 23. Make checks payable to: *Christ Presbyterian Church* with "Mission to the World" or "tsunami relief" on the memo line.

A **church luncheon** will be held after the service on Sunday, January 30. Please sign up to bring something to share.

A new **Sunday School** class based on R.C. Sproul's Psalm 51 video series is beginning. Come join us!

**Women's Retreat:** Redeemer Presbyterian Church in Concord, MA has invited the women of Christ Presbyterian to a one day retreat (Saturday, February 5) in Merrimack, NH. Please let Jason know if you are interested.

**Nursery Care** is provided during the morning worship service for young children. If you need nursery care, please bring your child to the back of the sanctuary at the beginning of the second hymn.

### **Nursery Schedule:**

January 9 – Pat Newman and Roger Camire  
January 16 – Amy Newman and Dave Schaller  
January 23 – Joan Yates and Janet Dery

**Offering:** The offering taken this morning will go toward the work of our church. Please make checks payable to *Christ Presbyterian Church*.

**Tape Ministry:** Tapes of the sermons and Sunday School classes are available. They may be purchased for \$2 apiece. If you are interested, please contact Pat Newman.

# Christ Presbyterian Church

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*The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them. The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.*

*Psalm 145:18-21*

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 9, 2005**