



**Christ the Saviour Evangelical Presbyterian
Congregation in Cracow**

WORSHIP ORDER

18th July 2021
The Seventh Sunday after Easter

Welcome to all worshippers to the Christ the Saviour Evangelical Presbyterian congregation in Cracow. As you enter the sanctuary, please feel free to greet one another. When the prelude begins let us quietly prepare for the worship of God. If you are worshipping with us for the first time, please allow us to get to know you better by staying for tea and coffee after the service.

Reflection before the service. Silence is kept.

PRELUDE

All stand.

HYMN

"Holy God We Praise Thy Name" ("Boże wielkiś pełny chwiał")

THE GREETING

Celebrant: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

CONFESSION

Call to confession

Celebrant: Humbling ourselves before God's majesty, let us profess to Him and to our brethren, our sins.

Silentium

All: Awesome and compassionate God, you have loved us with unfailing, self-giving mercy, but we have not loved you. You constantly call us, but we do not listen. You ask us to love, but we walk away from neighbors in need, wrapped in our own concerns. We condone evil, prejudice, warfare, and greed. God of grace, as you come to us in mercy, we repent in spirit and in truth, admit our sin, and gratefully receive your forgiveness through Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Celebrant: To those who have sincerely repented I say: *[The Lord] abolishes the first in order to establish the second. And by that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.*

— from Hebrews 10:9-10

All: Amen.

GLORIA

"Alleluja"

M. Leontovych

$\text{♩} = 120$

A - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu - ja. A - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu -

7 ja, a - lle - lu - ja. A - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu - ja, a - lle - lu - ja.

RESPONSIVE READING

Celebrant: I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips!

All: I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.

Celebrant: Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

All: Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.

Celebrant: Fear the LORD, you his holy people, for those who fear him lack nothing

All: I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.

Celebrant: Those who look to him are radiant; their faces are never covered with shame.

— Psalm 34

PRAYER BEFORE READING OF SCRIPTURE

READINGS

Old Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the first book of Samuel (15:10-23; p. 237).

Lector reads.

Lector: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

New Testament Reading

Lector: A reading from the book of Acts (14:8-22 and 19:1-7; p. 923 + 928).

Lector reads.

Lector: This is the word of God.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

All: And with your spirit.

Celebrant: Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Saint Luke. (18:35-43; p. 878).

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Celebrant reads the words of the Gospel.

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

All sit.

SERMON

PROFESSION OF FAITH (The Apostles' Creed)

Celebrant: Together with the church on the west, let us profess our faith by words of the Apostles' Creed.

All stand.

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,* the Creator of heaven and earth,* and in Jesus Christ,* His only Son, our Lord,* who was conceived of the Holy Spirit,* born of the Virgin Mary,* suffered under Pontius Pilate,* was crucified, died, and was buried.* He descended into hell.* The third day He arose again from the dead.* He ascended into heaven* and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty,* from whence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.* I believe in the Holy Spirit,* the holy catholic church,* the communion of saints,* the forgiveness of sins,* the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting.* Amen

HYMN

"All Creatures Of Our God And King" (Wszystkie stworzenia Boga czczą)

All sit.

PRAYER

Celebrant prays

All: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant: As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All: 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 for ever.* Amen.

All stand.

SANCTUS

„Holy, holy, holy“

1. Holy, holy, holy the Lord Almighty
Hosanna in the highest x3

2. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord
Hosanna in the highest x3

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Words of Institution

Celebrant: The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given, he broke it, and said, *This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.*

In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, *This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.* For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes

Prayer before Communion

Celebrant: Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the body and blood of the Lord. Let a person examine himself, then, and so eat of the bread and drink of the cup. (1 Cor. 11:27-28)

All: For as often as we eat the bread* and drink the cup,* we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor. 11:26)

Celebrant: Let us pray for a worthy reception of the Lord's supper.

All: Lord, I am not worthy of coming at your table, but say the word, and my soul shall be healed. (Luke 7:7)

Celebrant: Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Giving of Communion.

CLOSING AFTER COMMUNION

The congregation while sitting pray in silence. After a moment of prayer, the celebrant comes out and says a prayer, to which the church responds: Amen.

All stand.

HYMN

„In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful“ (Pan jest mocą swojego ludu)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

DISMISSAL

Benediction

Celebrant: *The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.*

All: Amen.

Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

DOXOLOGY

Sung in Polish only

POSTLUDIUM

PRAISE POINTS

1. For better health situation and loosening the COVID-19 restrictions.
2. For God's generous gifts and for living in Him.
3. For a successful series of women's meetings.
4. Successful printing of "What is Reformed Theology?" by R.C. Sproul.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY

1. Everyone who is suffering from the coronavirus infection around the world. May God be with them, bless them and comfort them.
2. Pray for all women who are pregnant, for their health and the health of their children who are not born yet.
3. For Iwo's aunt and uncle and for her son, who has diabetes. That they could learn to live in the new circumstances.
4. Pray for Theo, Richard, and Louise's son from Northern Ireland, and for his eye surgery this week.

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS AND WORKER

1. For good relationships between the young people in our Church and their parents.
2. For Bogdan, for his driving lessons.
3. For Simoné's successful work permit registration and that she might find an apartment in Krakow.
4. For Ania & Saszko's flat remodelling.
5. Pray for all those who are travelling: Emily&Pasha, Karina, Daniel&Thais, Ira.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

1. Pray for the university student ministry of our church (RDA).
2. For wisdom in organizing and leading the women's Bible study group at church.
3. For the publishing ministry of our church. Pray for the preparation for printing of "Why Do We Say Good Night?" by Champ Thornton.

OTHER

1. Pray for unity among all Reformed churches in Poland.
2. For the leaders of the countries around the world, for wisdom in making decisions amidst the COVID-19 pandemic.

UPCOMING EVENTS

22 / 07

Thursday, 19:00

Bible Study (in Polish)

Smolki 8

25 / 07

Sunday, 11:00

Morning service (with translation into English)

Smolki 8

Online giving for the church is payable to: Fundacja "Europejska Misja Chrześcijańska", ul. Św. Filipa 23/4, 31-150 Kraków IBAN: PL 94 1140 2004 0000 3802 7701 2043. Cash offerings should be put into white envelopes placed at the back of hymnals and put into the offering basket.

Offerings received during the week: 765 złoty.

All up to date events including this bulletin can be found on our church's web site:

www.kosciolzbawiciela.pl

*As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them,
and said to them: "Peace to you!"*

(Luke 24:36)

