



KOŚCIÓŁ
CHRYSTUSA ZBAWICIELA

ORDER OF WORSHIP

8th March 2020
2nd Sunday in Lent

We welcome all guests at the service in the Presbyterian Community of Christ the Saviour Church in Krakow. We are asking to keep silence in the chapel before the service. Silence allows you to open up before God, enables and accepts the Word of God, helps in adapting to it. For this reason, the silence before and after the service is used for personal prayer.

PRELUDE

All stand.

SONG

"Tak jakim jest / Just as I am"

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. Amen.

CONFESSION

Call to Confession

Silentium (moment of silence)

All: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Celebrant: May God in His Trinity - the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, who in His rich mercy promised forgiveness of sins to everyone who comes to Him with sincere and true faith, have mercy on us, redeem us from our sins and confirm us in eternal salvation with the gift of his grace through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. There is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. Amen.

M. Leontovych (1877-1921)

A-le-lu-ja, a-le-lu-ja, a-le-lu-ja. A-le-lu-ja, a-le-lu-ja.

ja, a-le-lu-ja. A-le-lu-ja, a-le-lu-ja, a-le-lu-ja.

RESPONSIVE PSALM

Celebrant: In the LORD I take refuge; how can you say to my soul, "Flee like a bird to your mountain,

All: for behold, the wicked bend the bow; they have fitted their arrow to the string to shoot in the dark at the upright in heart;

Celebrant: if the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?"

All: The LORD is in his holy temple; the LORD's throne is in heaven; his eyes see, his eyelids test the children of man.

Celebrant: The LORD tests the righteous, but his soul hates the wicked and the one who loves violence.

All: Let him rain coals on the wicked; fire and sulfur and a scorching wind shall be the portion of their cup.

Celebrant: For the LORD is righteous; he loves righteous deeds; the upright shall behold his face.

— Ps. 11 (ESV)

READINGS

Prayer for Illumination

Celebrant: Lord, help us hear your voice that speaks to us through the Holy Bible. Open our hearts and minds so that we can accept your truth into the depths of our soul. Transform us through your power so that we can show your love to the people around you.

All: Lord, your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

All sit.

First reading

Reader: Reading from Isaiah 51:17-23 (Page 612)

[...]

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Second reading

Reader: Reading from Mark 14:32-42 (Page 851)

[...]

Reader: This is the word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

APOSTLES' CREED

Celebrant: In response to the word heard, together with the Christian Church, let us confess our faith with the 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 sited 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 (universal) church,* the communion of saints,* the forgiveness of sins,* the resurrection of the body,* and life everlasting.* Amen.

HYMN

„Ludu mój ludu (verses 1, 2, 3 and 8) (Polish only)”

PRAYER

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.

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

SANCTUS

„Święty, Święty, Święty/Holy, Holy, Holy”

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 thanks, 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.

Eucharistic Prayer

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 you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. (1 Cor. 11:26).

Celebrant: Let us ask the Lord to make us worthy of participating in His supper.

All: I am not worthy to have you come under my roof. But say the word, and let my servant be healed. (Luke 7:7).

Celebrant: Taste and see that the Lord is good! Blessed are those who are invited to the Lamb's feast.

Giving of Communion

During the Communion, believers go to the altar to receive the wafer and wine from the celebrant. If you are not a believer, baptised in one of the Christian Churches or for some reason you are not ready to participate in the Communion, we encourage you to spend this time thinking about the sermon preached earlier. We hope that this time will be helpful for you, to consider where you are on the road to your relationship with Jesus Christ and the church that is His family.

PRAYER

The prayer finishes with: **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING

HYMN

„Przy Twym krzyżu / Near the Cross”

SENDING

Celebrant: Go in the peace of Christ.

All: Thanks be to God.

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. Numbers 6:24-26

All: Amen.

All sit.

POSTLUDE

Postlude is a good time for worshippers to reflect on the Word that they heard preached during the service. Use this time for prayer or to think about what you have heard or experienced. Please respect those who would like to stay in the sanctuary and pray longer in silence. After the Postlude everyone is invited for tea, coffee and refreshments in the foyer.

PRAISE POINTS:

1. For the Church's Facebook page.
2. For Daniel Tsykra's baptism this Sunday (08.03.2020).
3. For Anastasia and Andre's safe trip back home.
4. The end of the first part of the science and faith meetings.

PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAYER FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY

1. Larysa's, Sashko's, Dave's, Anna's, Leana's and Andre's health.
2. Rehabilitation of a pastor from Kirill's hometown.
3. Hayden's health, a son of Dave's colleague.
4. Everyone who is suffering from the coronavirus infection in China and everywhere around the world. May God be with them, bless them and comfort them. And also may God give wisdom to scientists who are working on researches about this virus, so that there will be effective means to fight against this virus developed as soon as possible.

PRAYER FOR STUDENTS AND WORKER

1. An unmentioned request for Dave.
2. Blessed deliverance for Daniela.
3. Lewis' thesis and to make a wise decision regarding his future studies.
4. Ania's studies and for new relationships at her work.
5. For the Love God Greatly ministry which will be translated into Russian.
6. For Serhii that he would be able to find a positive and quick solution to a problem.
7. Preparations for the mums and toddlers group.
8. For good relationships between the young people in our Church and their parents.
9. For wise decisions for Kirill and for his safe journey to Portugal.
10. For the children of the Sharakhimov family and the fathers of Artur and Tatyana Sharakhimov.
11. An unmentioned request for Bogdan.
12. Pray for Ivonne Pozerski who is shipping a large amount of books from Australia for the Church library.
13. Leana's USMLE exam preparation.
14. Sashko's safe trip to Lviv.
15. For Emily and Pasha, that they would be able to organise their trip back to Poland and for wisdom as to when they should leave Northern Ireland.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH

1. Pray for more church workers for our fellowship and the starting of a university student ministry.

OTHER

1. Pray for unity among all Reformed churches in Poland. Pray for the Presbyterian Church in Poland to come to existence.
2. For the new Presbyterian Church which is growing in Gdańsk.

CHURCH EVENTS FOR NEXT WEEK

Catechism study (event is in Polish), Thursday

12th March at 5.30 pm, Street: Smolki 8

English language Bible study (Thursday)

12th March at 7.00 pm, Street: Smolki 8, Leader of the group - Dave, 783 109 614.

Evening prayer (Sunday)

15th of March, 5.00 pm, Street: Smolki 8

Mum's and Toddlers group

In a little while we will be holding the Mum's and Toddlers group and we will need some toys etc. We would be very grateful if you could buy one or more of the toys on the Amazon list (Ask Lewis or Saszko for the Amazon link).

Come, let us bow and fall on your face!

Let us kneel before the Lord who made us! For he is our God, and we are a people of his pasture and flock of his hand.

The timetable of current church events is available on the page of our Church: www.kosciolzbawiciela.pl

Cash offerings from last week: 290 zł

Bank offerings this week: 400 zł

