



## POMPTON REFORMED CHURCH

July 28, 2024

10:00 am

### **Prelude**

**Christ Candle:** *In him was life and that life was the light of all humankind. The light shines into the darkness and the darkness has not overcome it.*

### **Call to Worship**

Christ calls us to come to worship

**To rest from the things that are troubling us**

**To learn what Christ can teach of life**

**To realize what we can offer to others**

**And so to return into the world to serve**

**Let us worship God.**

Lord let our souls rise to meet you as the day rises to meet the sun.

**Glory to The Father and to The Son and to The Holy Spirit.**

**As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**Song: Blue #447**

*"Seek Ye First"*

### **Prayer of Confession**

For our time of corporate confession today, I am going to lead us in a prayer and I invite you to join me for the second half.

Incarnate God, you know us in our inner being.

In your grace you offer us forgiveness

even before we have the chance to articulate our sorrow.

You embrace us in all our sinfulness

and in doing so give us the chance to start again

to learn from the example you have given us in Jesus,

who chose the way of the Cross

that all might know the depth of your love for all you have made.

### **Spirit of God**

**open our hearts and minds**

**that we may grasp your forgiveness,  
and as forgiven people, seek to forgive others  
and to live a life of reconciling love,  
modeled on the example of Jesus Christ  
in whose name we pray. Amen**

### **Words of Assurance**

Friends, hear these words of hope and assurance today!  
Because we are not worthy to enter God's dwelling,  
God came to dwell with us through the body and being of God's Son, Jesus Christ.  
**Christ came to be with us, amongst us, and for us.**

Hear the good news of the Gospel:  
in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! **Alleluia! Amen.**

### **Living the Way of Jesus**

Jesus gave us an incredibly tangible picture of how to serve the world and live lives of mercy and compassion. He ended a parable in Matthew 25 by saying,

<sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

<sup>37</sup> **"Then the righteous answered him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?'<sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? <sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'**

<sup>40</sup> Jesus replied, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

Friends, this is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

### **Announcements**

### **Prayers of the People**

### **Offering**

### **Offertory**

**Doxology: Blue #629**

*"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"*

**Sermon: The Lord's Prayer**

**Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13**

<sup>9</sup> "This, then, is how you should pray:

“Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
<sup>10</sup> your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
    on earth as it is in heaven.  
<sup>11</sup> Give us today our daily bread.  
<sup>12</sup> And forgive us our debts,  
    as we also have forgiven our debtors.  
<sup>13</sup> And lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from the evil one.’

**Song: Blue #632**

*“The Lord’s Prayer”*

### **Our Shared Faith: The Apostles’ Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will 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 the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Benediction**

## TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Worship Leader: Pastor John Burden  
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### **Streaming & Audio**

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If you are in need of prayer, spiritual support, have concerns about your faith journey or wish to discuss any other issue, we faithfully encourage you to reach out to your Elder representative.



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