

## Confession of Faith:

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.

Apostles' Creed

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

### Song: May the Peace of God our Heavenly Father

1. May the peace of God our heavenly father,  
and the grace of Christ the risen Son,  
and the fellowship of God the Spirit  
keep our hearts and minds within his love.

*And to him be praise for his glorious reign,  
from the depths of earth to the heights of heaven.  
We declare the name of the Lamb once slain:  
Christ eternal, the King of kings!*

2. May this peace which passes understanding,  
and this grace which makes us what we are,  
and this fellowship of his communion  
make us one in spirit and in heart.

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## Benediction

### Notices

**Welcome** to Oxford Pres! Whether this is your first service with us, or you attend regularly, you are very welcome! Please feel free to stay for refreshments after the service.

**Babies and children.** Nursing mothers and those with small children are welcome to use the crèche area downstairs. Activity sheets, crayons and books are available on the welcome table.

**Home Groups** meet this Thursday 23rd November, 5:30-7:30pm at the Atipaldis' house (South) , and 7:00-9:00pm at the Solanos' house (City).

**Youth Group** meets on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November from 7:30-9:30 pm at the Solanos' house

**Advent Carol Service** Sunday 26th November, 5:00-6:30pm, here at the North Gate Hall

Please be responsible for your property and (parents) your children whilst you are with us.

If you wish to be added to the church email list, please speak to Alberto or Andy.

If you wish to give to the work of Oxford Pres, please see the 'support' page on our website.

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Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 5:00pm Service

## Welcome & Notices

### Call to Worship: Psalm 34:3

Oh, magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together!

## Prayer for God's Presence and Blessing

### Song: You, O Lord, Have Searched and Known Me – Psalm 139

1. You, O Lord, have searched and known me,  
you know when I sit or rise;  
every thought and deed lies open  
to your all-perceiving eyes.  
You have laid your hand upon me,  
guarded me before, behind;  
knowledge so sublime, so towering,  
far transcends an earthly mind.
2. Where could I elude your Spirit,  
ever present everywhere?  
In the heavens, or deep in Hades?  
You are with me even there!  
Eastward, westward, still you guide me,  
from your grip I cannot stray;  
nor will darkness hide me from you:  
night to you is clear as day.
3. For you made my inmost being,  
wove me in my mother's womb,  
God all-wise, who ordered for me  
all my days until the tomb.  
How profound, how vast, how precious  
all the workings of your will-  
countless marvels, endless mercies!  
When I wake, I'm with you still.
4. God all-holy, judge the wicked,  
break their blasphemous design!  
How can I not hate such evil?  
Lord, your enemies are mine.  
Search my heart, O God, and know me,  
test my anxious thoughts, I pray;  
take away my sins and lead me  
into everlasting day.

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### Call to Confession: Deuteronomy 10:12-13

And now, Israel, what does the LORD your God require of you, but to fear the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the LORD, which I am commanding you today for your good?

## Confession of Sin

Almighty God and heavenly Father, we poor, miserable sinners confess that from our childhood until this very hour we have sinned against your commandments by evil thoughts, words, will, and works, which we cannot count, and first of all by vast unbelief. Therefore, we are not worthy to be called your children, nor lift our eyes up to heaven. O God and Father, we wish that we had never provoked you to anger. In your mercy and for the sake of your glory, we ask you to receive us into your grace by the forgiveness of our sins. Amen.

John Oecolampadius

## Assurance of Pardon: Exodus 34:5-7

The LORD descended in the cloud and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD. The LORD passed before him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD, a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness, keeping steadfast love for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, but who will by no means clear the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children and the children's children, to the third and the fourth generation.

## Song: O Lord my Rock and my Redeemer

1. O Lord, my rock and my redeemer,  
greatest treasure of my longing soul;  
my God, like you there is no other,  
true delight is found in you alone.  
Your grace a well too deep to fathom,  
your love exceeds the heavens' reach;  
your truth a fount of perfect wisdom,  
my highest good and my unending need.
2. O Lord, my rock and my redeemer,  
strong defender of my weary heart,  
my sword to fight the cruel deceiver  
and my shield against his hateful darts;  
my song when enemies surround me,  
my hope when tides of sorrow rise;  
my joy when trials are abounding,  
your faithfulness my refuge in the night.
3. O Lord, my rock and my redeemer,  
gracious Saviour of my ruined life;  
my guilt and cross laid on your shoulders:  
in my place you suffered, bled and died.  
You rose, the grave and death are conquered;  
you broke my bonds of sin and shame.  
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer,  
may all my days bring glory to your name.

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## Children's Talk

### Prayer of Intercession and for Illumination

### Bible Reading: Exodus 20:7

### Sermon: The Third Commandment – Identity Theft

### Song: All the Law Your God has Given

1. All the law your God has given,  
teaching, promise, song, command,  
guide your steps from here to heaven,  
light your pathway through the land.  
It is written, God has spoken;  
ours to listen, read, obey:  
Scripture never can be broken;  
do not close your hearts today!
2. Make this book your meditation,  
speak its truth by day and night;  
let no doubt, no deviation  
turn your foot to left or right.  
Has not God your Lord commanded?  
Do not fear the road is long;  
never fear, for he has granted  
in his strength, we shall be strong.
3. Where God leads you, take possession;  
what he gives, with joy receive!  
Set your course by his commission;  
learn from him, and you will live.  
Best of all, our God is with us,  
starting, travelling, nearing home;  
never will he lose or leave us,  
all his love in Christ has come!

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### Celebration of the Lord's Supper

All those who trust Christ alone for their salvation, are baptised, and are humbly seeking to live in obedience to the gospel, are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper together, feeding on Christ by faith. If you have not put your trust in Christ, please allow the bread and wine to pass you by and take this opportunity to consider the offer of forgiveness of sins in Jesus alone.

*A word to parents: baptised children are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper after they have made a credible profession of faith and been received as communing members by the Elders of the Church.*