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**prelude**

*As the music plays, please quietly prepare your heart and mind for worship, lifting your thoughts up from the cares of this world.*

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**preparing our hearts**

You make known to me the path of life;  
in your presence there is fullness of joy;  
at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

– Psalm 16:11<sub>ESV</sub>

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* How awesome is the LORD Most High.

**All:** **He is the great King over all the earth!**

*Leader:* God reigns over the nations;

**All:** **God is seated on his holy throne.**

*Leader:* Let us sing praises to God,

**All:** **Let us sing praises to our King!**

– Adapted from Psalm 47<sub>ESV</sub>

\*\* Please stand if you are able

## ALL PRAISE TO HIM



All praise to him, the God of light, who formed the  
 All praise to him whose love is seen in Christ the  
 All praise to him whose pow'r im - parts the love of  
 moun - tains by his might. All praise to him who names the  
 Son, the ser - vant King, who left be - hind his glo - rious  
 God with - in our hearts. The Spir - it of all truth and  
 stars that sing his fame in skies a - far. All praise to him who reigns in  
 throne to pay the ran - som for his own. All praise to him who hum - bly  
 peace, the fount of joy and ho - li - ness. To Fa - ther, Son, and Spi - rit  
 love, who guides the ga - lax - ies a - bove, yet bends to  
 came to bear our sor - row, sin, and shame, who lived to  
 now our souls we lift, our wills we bow. To you, the  
 hear our ev - 'ry prayer with sov - reign pow'r and ten - der care.  
 die, who died to rise, the all suf - fi - cient sac - ri - fice.  
 Tri - une God, we raise with lo - ving hearts our song of praise.

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## \*\* prayer of invocation

*Leader:* O Lord God, immovable and unchanging, constant and steadfast in love: We look to you that we would be set upon the Rock and Redeemer of our lives. According to your abundant grace, secure us to the sure and steady anchor of our souls, Christ Jesus, your Son, so that our hope reaches to heaven. According to your life-giving Spirit, let us be renewed and strengthened, made to shine brighter and burn hotter in the world you came to save. For the sake of Jesus' Name we pray, Amen.

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## \*\* affirmation of faith

*Leader:* What do you understand by the providence of God?

**All:** God's providence is his almighty and ever present power, whereby, as with his hand, he still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, and so governs them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, indeed, all things, come not by chance but by his fatherly hand.

—*Heidelberg Catechism*, Q&A 27

FOR ALL THE SAINTS

For all the saints who from their labors rest,  
 Thou wast their rock, their fortress, and their might;  
 O blest communion, fellowship divine,  
 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,

who thee by faith be-fore the world con-fessed,  
 thou, Lord, their Cap-tain in the well-fought fight;  
 we fee-bly strug-gle, they in glo-ry shine;  
 through gates of pearl streams in the count-less host,

thy name, O Je-sus, be for-ev-er blest.  
 thou, in the dark-ness drear, their one true light.  
 yet all are one in thee, for all are thine.  
 sing-ing to Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

– Psalm 32:5 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** **Lord of all comfort and rest,  
We confess that we are restless because we fail to rest in you.  
Instead we are busy living selfish lives according to our own wisdom.  
We are busy working tirelessly for things that will not satisfy.  
We are busy keeping up appearances before others  
And finding fault in others to justify ourselves.  
We are busy complaining about what you give and what you withhold.  
We are busy because we seek to rest from you, rather than in you.  
But you, O Lord, welcome the weary and heavy laden.  
Forgive the faithlessness in our busyness and the unbelief in our weariness.  
Forgive our unrighteous works and our self-righteous toil.  
Grant that we might live godly and prayerful lives,  
Resting only in your work in us and Christ’s work for our sake;  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.**

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

– Romans 5:6 ESV

**All:** **Thanks be to God!**

ISAIAH 43

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you,  
And the waves will not overcome you.  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,  
I have called you by name; you are mine.

For I am the Lord your God (I am the Lord your God),  
I am the Lord your God (I am) the Holy One of Israel, Your Savior  
I am the Lord (do not fear) (x4)

When you walk through the fire, you'll not be burned,  
And the flames will not consume you.  
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you,  
I have called you by name; you are mine.

For I am the Lord your God (I am the Lord your God),  
I am the Lord your God (I am) the Holy One of Israel, Your Savior  
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I am the Lord (do not fear) (x4)  
I am the Lord.

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*Leader:* Isaiah 53:7-12  
This is the Word of the Lord.  
**All: Thanks be to God!**

*An officer of the church prays for the world, nation, community, and church.*

*Leader:* All these mercies we ask in the name of Jesus, who prayed saying,

**All: Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name;  
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors,  
Do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil,  
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.**

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## reception of new members

### CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP

Nathan and Darah Bosworth with Samuel and Baevinn  
Mark and Sylvia Lenters  
David and Kristen Morton with Kimberli and Mackenzie  
Suzanne Schell

### VOWS FOR COMMUNING MEMBERS

*All those who are joining the church as communing members for the first time, whether through baptism, profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of membership, must affirm the following vows:*

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and the discipline of the church and promise to study its purity and peace?

*Leader:* Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.” In a world filled with trouble, let us encourage one another to look to the one who has overcome the world. May the peace of Christ be with you.

**All:** **And also with you.**

**While your children are welcome and encouraged to worship with you, at this time they can be dismissed for an age-appropriate worship for ages 3-5.**

If you would like to hear more about CPC or would like to let us know of a prayer need, please include your contact information or prayer request in the welcome pad when it comes around to you.

*An elder will lead the passing of the peace. If you are joining us from your home, please unmute yourself so that you can greet one another. If you are gathered here with us today, greet one another warmly with the peace of Christ.*

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**sermon**

**Series** | “Romans: The Foundation of Our Faith”

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**Sermon** | “The Free Gift”

**October 29, 2023**

**Romans 5:12-21** <sup>ESV</sup> | 12 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned – 13 for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. 14 Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man’s trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. 16 And the free gift is not like the result of that one man’s sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. 17 For if, because of one man’s trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

18 Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. 19 For as by the one man’s disobedience the many were made sinners,



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so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. 20 Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, 21 so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Leader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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**sermon notes**

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**\*\* gospel charge**

*Leader:* In response to the Gospel of grace, how shall we then live?

**All: Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.**

– Romans 12:9-10<sub>ESV</sub>

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## WELCOME TO HIS TABLE

*The Lord's Supper is a family meal for Christians — a time when we delight in Christ and in the good news that His work alone has made us right with God. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, please use this time to meditate on the following prayer.*

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

*Please remain seated for communion. As a symbol of our unity in Christ, wait until everyone has been served the elements, and we will all partake together. Once you are finished with your cup, please pass it to the inside aisles and the ushers will retrieve them.*

*If you have a gluten allergy, there are gluten-free wafers available in the center of the bread trays. During the celebration of communion, we will sing the printed hymns.*

**NOTE TO PARENTS:** *To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the elders of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table when they come to this point and ask that you speak to the pastor when you feel your child is ready to begin the process of becoming a communing member.*

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## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.”

– Mark 14:22-24<sup>ESV</sup>

*Minister:* Lift up your hearts.

**All:** We lift them up to the Lord.

*Minister:* Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

**All:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Minister:* Let us pray.

**All:** O Lord and heavenly Father, when we celebrate and observe this memorial your Son has commended to us, we remember his suffering and death, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension; and we await his coming again with power and great glory. God of Mercy, hear our prayer and by your Word and Holy Spirit bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Holy Name. Amen.

*Minister:* Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**All:** Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

*Minister:* Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life.

Lord Jesus, come in glory.

**All:** When we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
We proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come again.

*Minister:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*As the elements are distributed, sing as one body, affirming that in Christ we are united to him and to one another.*

## O WORD OF GOD INCARNATE



1. O Word of God in car - nate, O wis - dom from on high,  
 2. The church from her dear Mas - ter re - ceived the gift di - vine,  
 3. It float - eth like a ban - ner be - fore God's host un - furled;  
 4. O make thy church, dear Sav - ior, a lamp of pur - est gold,



O Truth un - changed, un - chang - ing, O Light of our dark sky;  
 and - still that light she lift - eth o'er all the earth to shine.  
 it shin - eth like a bea - con a - bove the dark - ling world.  
 to bear be - fore the na - tions thy true light, as of old.



we praise thee for the ra - diance that from the hal - lowed page,  
 It is the gold - en cas - ket, where gems of truth are stored;  
 It is the chart and com - pass that o'er life's surg - ing sea,  
 O teach thy wan - d'ring pil - grims by this their path to trace,



a lan - tern to our foot - steps, shines on from age to age.  
 it is the heav'n drawn pic - ture of Christ, the liv - ing word.  
 'mid mists and rocks and quik - sands, still guides, O Christ, to thee.  
 till, clouds and dark - ness end - ed, they see thee face to face.

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## IN CHRIST ALONE

In Christ alone my hope is found; he is my light, my strength, my song;  
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, firm through the fiercest drought and storm.  
What heights of love, what depths of peace, when fears are stilled, when strivings cease!  
My comforter, my all in all – here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, fullness of God in helpless babe!  
This gift of love and righteousness, scorned by the ones he came to save.  
Till on that cross as Jesus died, the wrath of God was satisfied;  
For every sin on him was laid – here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground his body lay, Light of the World by darkness slain;  
Then bursting forth in glorious day, up from the grave he rose again!  
And as he stands in victory, sin's curse has lost its grip on me;  
For I am his and he is mine – bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death – this is the power of Christ in me;  
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.  
No power of hell, no scheme of man can ever pluck me from his hand;  
Till he returns or calls me home – here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

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## \*\* offering & song of thanksgiving

*The offering is a vital part of our response to God's grace provided for us in the preaching of his word and administration of the Lord's Supper. Our tithes and offerings represent the entirety of our lives being consecrated to the Lord Jesus Christ and the coming of his kingdom to this world. As God's grace is freely given to us, so we give freely in return; not in any way to add to Christ's supremely adequate atonement for us, but in joyful response to this work and in thanksgiving for such unmerited grace.*

### O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red –  
Life that shall endless be.

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## announcements

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## \*\* benediction

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## \*\* doxology

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**for first-time visitors**

Whether you are visiting us from out of town or looking for a church to call home, we're so glad to have you with us. Please fill out the visitor section in the attendance pad when it circulates.

**new topic for adult sunday school**

The Ephesians study meeting in the Conference Room has concluded. Many thanks to Ryan Slabach for leading this study. A new 4-week study on "Growing in Christ" will begin this week led by Jonathan Wells. This class will discuss the meaning and conditions of growing in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ and focus on being planted in the right place, becoming rooted in the Word of God, growing up to stability in Christ, maturity and vitality through the Holy Spirit, and fruitfulness as the outcome of growth in Christ. The adult study on the Holy Spirit, meeting in the sanctuary and led by Daniel McDowell, continues.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | DECEMBER 3**

The Session of CPC is calling a congregational meeting on **Sunday, December 3** immediately following the worship service for the purpose of electing new deacons. We are pleased to announce that **Larry Brown, Jacob Jennings, Donald Wilcox, and Chris Windsor** were nominated by the congregation, have been trained and examined by the Session, and are eligible for election by the congregation.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

Let's kick off the upcoming holiday season by blessing children in need! Stop by the lobby this Sunday to pick up an Operation Christmas Child shoebox to fill with toys, school supplies, and personal care items. Follow the instructions included on the attached shipping label and return your shoebox to us by **Sunday, November 19** so that CPC can bring the boxes to Operation Christmas Child for distribution. **Contact Kevin Tanner** (kevinrtanner@gmail.com) with questions.

**cpc children's christmas choir | december 17**

Parents, please mark your calendars for **Sunday, December 17!** We are so excited to have Kathy Lorimor leading our CPC Kids Christmas Choir this year. The children will have an opportunity to share a song with both our church body and with the residents of The Delaney's assisted living community for their Christmas service. More details to come! If you would like more information or would like to volunteer to help, **please contact, Korina Slabach** (kids@cocgeorgetown.org).

**thank you**

Our building dedication celebration was a huge success! Thanks to the MANY hands who contributed in organizing, grilling, setting up, cleaning up, and serving! And a very special thanks to Suzanne Joffrion for the many hours of planning and preparation she put in to make it a success! If you are missing anything such as unmarked dishes, **please contact the office** (office@cpcgeorgetown.org) - we collected many items left behind. Also, the Joffrion's grill cleaning brush and pop-up tent is missing. If someone knows where they went, **please contact Suzanne Joffrion** (hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org)