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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**

For our sake he made him [Christ] to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

– 2 Corinthians 5:21 ESV

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* My son, be attentive to my words; incline your ear to my sayings.

**All:** **Let them not escape from your sight; keep them within your heart.**

*Leader:* For they are life to those who find them, and healing to all their flesh.

**All:** **Let us keep our hearts with all vigilance, for from them flow the springs of life.**

– Adapted from Proverbs 4:20-23 ESV

## COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing,  
Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,  
Come, and reign over us, Ancient of days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword,  
Our prayer attend: Come and thy people bless, and give thy Word success;  
Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour: Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,  
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To the great One in Three, eternal praises be,  
Hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,  
And to eternity love and adore.

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## \*\* prayer of invocation

*Leader:* We praise you, O God, for creating this world in all its beauty, for redeeming the world through Christ, our Lord, and for sending us the gift of your Spirit to encourage, instruct, and sustain us. We long for, and pray for, your Spirit to work among us this morning, to inspire our praise, to challenge us with your truth, and to equip us for service in your world. May we worship you in all truth and holiness this day and every day. Amen.

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## \*\* affirmation of faith

*Leader:* What is true faith?

**All:** True faith is a sure knowledge whereby I accept as true all that God has revealed to us in his Word. At the same time it is a firm confidence that not only to others, but also to me, God has granted forgiveness of sins, everlasting righteousness, and salvation, out of mere grace, only for the sake of Christ's merits. This faith the Holy Spirit works in my heart by the gospel.

– Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 21

## 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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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* But when [the younger son] came to himself, he said, “How many of my father’s hired servants have more than enough bread, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, ‘Father I have sinned against heaven and before you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.’”

– Luke 15:17-19a<sub>ESV</sub>

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All: Father, have mercy upon us;  
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.  
We are prone to leave you and follow after our own hearts.  
We are prone to abandon true life for the temptations of this world.  
We would be lost, if not for your grace.  
Therefore, be near us, lest we fall.  
Let us cling to you, lest we lose our way.  
Grant us to live in the strength of the Holy Spirit by faith in Christ,  
That we may walk as your children ought: trusting and obeying you.  
In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* [W]hile he was still a long way off,  
**All: his father saw him and felt compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him ... and said to his servants, ‘Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him, and put a ring on his right hand, and shoes on his feet. And bring the fattened calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate. For this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’**

– Luke 15:20-24a<sub>ESV</sub>

## AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; his Word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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*Leader:* Psalm 1:1-6  
This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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prayer

*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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\*\* passing the 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. Greet one another warmly with the peace of Christ.*

about our guest speaker | [Rick Box](#)

Preaching, serving Communion today, and worshipping with us again is Rick Box. Rick has preached for CPC and served Communion several times in the recent past. He was born and raised in Texas, and he and his family served as Mission to the World church planting missionaries in Bogota, Colombia for 29 years. Rick retired from MTW in 2020 and recently married Na-Shuang Freeburg. If you have an opportunity, please greet Rick, and express our thanks for his gracious and faithful service to us these last few months.

**Sermon** | “A Compromising Church”

**October 6, 2024**

**Revelation 2:12-17** <sup>ESV</sup> | 12 “And to the angel of the church in Pergamum write: ‘The words of him who has the sharp two-edged sword.

13 “‘I know where you dwell, where Satan’s throne is. Yet you hold fast my name, and you did not deny my faith even in the days of Antipas my faithful witness, who was killed among you, where Satan dwells. 14 But I have a few things against you: you have some there who hold the teaching of Balaam, who taught Balak to put a stumbling block before the sons of Israel, so that they might eat food sacrificed to idols and practice sexual immorality. 15 So also you have some who hold the teaching of the Nicolaitans. 16 Therefore repent. If not, I will come to you soon and war against them with the sword of my mouth. 17 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To the one who conquers I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, with a new name written on the stone that no one knows except the one who receives it.’”

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

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



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**\*\* gospel charge**

*Leader:* Upon hearing this Word of God, what should we go and do?

**All:** Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, for many false prophets have gone out into the world.

– I John 4:1 ESV

## 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.*

**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 consider his sacrificial suffering and death, his mighty resurrection, and ascension; and we await his return in power and with glory. God of Mercy, through your Word and Holy Spirit bless and sanctify these symbols of broken bread and a poured out cup. Grant that all who participate in this table 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:* Take these symbols of Christ’s sacrifice in remembrance and proclamation that he died for you, and partake of them in faith and thankfulness.

*As the elements are distributed and the instrumentals are played, please meditate on Christ's giving himself for you and how you will respond to the lovingkindness expressed by the King of Kings through his selfless sacrifice.*

*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.*

## ALL HAIL THE POWER OF JESUS' NAME

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all!

You chosen seed of Israel's race, you ransomed from the fall,  
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all;  
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all!

Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball,  
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all;  
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all!

O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall;  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all;  
We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all!

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Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all

crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:

praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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**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 welcome pad when it comes to you.

**GUNS & BBQ | OCTOBER 19**

Men of all ages - come join us for a day of fellowship at David Moore's M&M ranch Saturday, **October 19, 10a-2p!** There will be great food and men doing manly things. Come anytime and stay as long as you can! This is a GREAT event to invite your neighbors, coworkers, and friends to fellowship. **RSVP to the evite or email James Schell** (men@cpcgeorgetown.org).

**AN EVENING OF HOPE | OCTOBER 22**

Don't miss The Pregnancy Help Center of Williamson County's annual benefit dinner, An Evening of Hope, **Tuesday, October 22, 7p at High Pointe Estate** (5555 Co Rd 258, Liberty Hill). The doors open at 630p. There will be a delicious meal, silent auction, and a keynote speaker. Victoria Robinson, national public speaker, author, former radio host and founder of ReAssemble, will share her own personal experience on the topic of abortion and her heart for pro-life causes. CPC is sponsoring a table at the event. If you are interested in joining for dinner, **please email Abbey Jennings** (abbey@cpcgeorgetown.org). If you would also like to sponsor a table or provide underwriting for this event, please call (512) 868.0153 or visit [www.phcwc.com/events](http://www.phcwc.com/events). Do not wait! **The last day to purchase tickets is Monday, October 7.**

**FALL PICNIC | OCTOBER 27**

Please plan to join us immediately after our worship service on **Sunday, October 27** for our annual fall picnic! We are planning lots of food and fun! Sign-up sheets are in the lobby (and online in the weekly email) to bring something to share! **Contact Suzanne Joffrion** (hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org) with questions or to sign up to help organize.

**the deacons need help!**

The diaconate exists to support ministries, worship, safety, and operations of CPC. Our church is growing, and we are looking for volunteers to help with facilities, ushering, streaming, and the operations of the church. Come join us to grow CPC! **Please contact the deacons to volunteer in one of these areas** (deacons@cpcgeorgetown.org).