
prelude

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

preparing our hearts

Turn to me and be saved,
all the ends of the earth!
For I am God, and there is no other.

– Isaiah 45:22 ESV

**** call to worship**

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,

All: **Ascribe to the LORD glory and strength!**

Leader: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

All: **Bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

Leader: Worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness;

All: **Tremble before him, all the earth!**

– Psalm 96:7-9 ESV

** Please stand if you are able

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

♩ D Bm A D G D 7

1. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!
 2. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 3. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 4. Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Lord God Al - might - y!

A D Bm A E7 A

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee.
 cast - ing down their gold - en crowns a - round the glass - y sea;
 though the eye of sin - ful man thy glo - ry may not see,
 All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.

D Bm A D G D

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!
 cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim fall - ing down be - fore thee,
 on - ly thou art ho - ly; there is none be - side thee
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and might - y!

♩ Bm D G D G A7 D 7

God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!
 who wert, and art, and ev - er - more shalt be.
 per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty,
 God in three Per - sons, bless - ed Trin - i - ty!

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** prayer of invocation

Leader: Great you are, O Lord, and greatly to be praised; great is your power, and your wisdom is infinite. Almighty God, heavenly Father, we ask you to work in us today by your Holy Spirit, so that we may rightly know you, and sanctify, glorify, and praise you in all your works, in which shine forth your Holy character. Grant us this morning that we may so direct our whole worship that your name may be praised and honored. Amen.

** affirmation of faith

Leader: Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:

All: Christ was revealed in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory.

– Adapted from 1 Timothy 3:16_{ESV}

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

Come behold the wondrous mystery, in the dawning of the King.
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, now the light of life has come.
Look to Christ, who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, he the perfect Son of Man.
In his living, in his suffering, never trace nor stain of sin.
See the true and better Adam, come to save the hell-bound man.
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law; in him we stand.

Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree.
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption; see the Father's plan unfold.
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold.

Come behold the wondrous mystery; slain by death the God of life.
But no grave could e'er restrain Him; praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance; how unwavering our hope.
Christ in power resurrected as we will be when he comes.

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; he who does these things shall never be moved.

– Psalm 15:1-3, 5b_{ESV}

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: **Father in Heaven, forgive my sins.**
Forgive the sins that I remember and the sins I have forgotten.
Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation
And those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction.
Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements
And those when I have failed to boast in your works.
Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others
And the leniency I have shown myself.
Forgive the lies I have told to others
And the truths I have avoided.
Forgive the pain I have caused others
And the indulgence I have shown myself.
Have mercy on me and pardon me, I pray, In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance,

All: **[T]hat Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.**

– 1 Timothy 1:15_{ESV}

THERE IS A FOUNTAIN FILLED WITH BLOOD

There is a fountain filled with blood drawn from Immanuel's veins,
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.
Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains;
And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood shall never lose its power,
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.
Be saved, to sin no more, Be saved, to sin no more;
Till all the ransomed church of God be saved, to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream thy flowing wounds supply,
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.
And shall be till I die, and shall be till I die;
Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

When this poor, lispng, stammering tongue lies silent in the grave,
Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing thy power to save.
I'll sing thy power to save, I'll sing thy power to save;
Then in a nobler, sweeter song I'll sing thy power to save.

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Leader: Isaiah 55:1-3
This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

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.**

** 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.

Preaching and serving Communion today 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 | “Lukewarm Laodicea”

November 17, 2024

Revelation 3:14-22 ^{ESV} | 14 “And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: ‘The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God’s creation.

15 “I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! 16 So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. 17 For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. 18 I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. 19 Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. 20 Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. 21 The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. 22 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

**** gospel charge**

Leader: Having heard the Lord's Word, what should we do?

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. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.

– Romans 12:9-11 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. During the celebration of communion, we will sing the printed hymn.

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.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

And he [Jesus] took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.

– Luke 22:19-20_{ESV}

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 merciful Lord, we do not presume to come to this your table trusting in our own righteousness, but in your manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under your table. But it is your right, O God, to give mercy to whom you please. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to share in the table of your dear Son Jesus Christ, that our sinful hearts may be made clean by his sacrifice, and our souls washed through his most precious blood; that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. 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, sing as one body, affirming that in Christ we are united to him and to one another.

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days;
Let them flow in ceaseless praise. Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart it is thine own;
It shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take myself, and I will be
Ever, only, all for thee, ever, only, all for thee.

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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.

MAY THE PEOPLE PRAISE YOU

You have called us out of darkest night into your glorious light,
That we may sing the wonders of the risen Christ.
May our every breath retell the grace that broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy with endless life. *

** Chorus:*

May the peoples praise you let the nations be glad!
All your blessing comes that we may praise,
May praise the Name of Jesus.

All the earth is yours and all within, each harvest is your own,
And from your hand we give to you to make Christ known.
May the seeds of mercy grow in us for those who have not heard,
May songs of praise build lives of grace to spread your Word. *

This our holy priv'lege to declare your praises and your name
To every nation tribe and tongue your church proclaim. *

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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.

sunday school

Next week is the final day of Sunday School for this semester. Look for details about the spring session in the coming weeks.

PRAYER MEETING | TUESDAY

Please join us for the monthly prayer meeting **Tuesday, November 19, 12p** in the conference room. There will be a zoom option as well. **Email Jeanne Dillinger** (prayer@cpcgeorgetown) for prayer requests and the meeting link. All are welcome to join.

ADVENT KICK-OFF BREAKFAST | DECEMBER 1

Join us as we kick off Advent with breakfast **Sunday, December 1, 845-10a**. Please see the sign up sheets in the lobby or in the evite to sign up to bring something to share. **Contact Suzanne Joffrion** (hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org) with questions or to volunteer to help.

advent decorating help needed

If you are interested in joining the Advent decorating team, **please contact Adrienne Herron** (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org) in the office. We have some prep work needs that can be done at home in addition to decorating the building. We are looking for at least 6 volunteers (ages 12 and up welcome).

christmas poinsettias

If you would like to honor or remember someone this Advent season, as well as help to defray the cost of our Christmas poinsettias, please either make your check payable for \$15.00 per poinsettia (only 14 available) to Christ Presbyterian Church, write "Christmas Poinsettia" on the check memo line, and place your check in the Sunday offering plate OR go to www.cpcgeorgetown.org/giving and choose the poinsettia fund. Then, email Adrienne Herron (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org) with the "in memory of" or "in honor of" information, which will be included in our Sunday bulletins during Advent beginning December 1. Payment and information are due by **Sunday, November 24**. The poinsettias will be ready to take home after our Christmas Eve service.

new song

On November 24, we will introduce another new song: "God Omniscient, God All Knowing" by Matt Boswell. If you would like to review the lyrics and hear the music for this song, please visit the link in the weekly email.

congregational meeting | december 1

The Session of CPC is calling a congregational meeting on Sunday, December 1, immediately following the worship service for the purpose of electing new officers and re-electing officers for a new term. We are pleased to announce that **Gary Gottschalk** (deacon), **Allen Utzig** (deacon), and **Rob Castro** (elder) were nominated by the congregation, have been trained and examined by the Session, and are eligible for election by the congregation. **Bryan Herron** (third term) is up for re-election to a new three-year term as a deacon. **Lane Joffrion** (second term) and **Shawn Horrall** (third term) are up for re-election to a new, three-year term as ruling elders.

advent and christmas eve services

Join us and invite others for Advent and Christmas Eve at CPC! Advent services are **December 1, 8, 15, and 22**. Our Christmas Eve service will be **Tuesday, December 24, 530p**.

advent devotionals

A limited supply of *Everyday Gospel*, *Christmas Devotional* by Paul David Tripp are available in the lobby. Pick yours up today!