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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**

Thus says the LORD who made the earth, the LORD who formed it to establish it – the LORD is his name: Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.

– Jeremiah 33:2-3 ESV

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* I will sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;

**All:** **The LORD is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.**

*Leader:* Who is like you, O LORD, among the gods?

**All:** **Who is like you, majestic in holiness, awesome in glorious deeds, doing wonders?**

*Leader:* You have led in your steadfast love the people whom you have redeemed; you have guided them by your strength to your holy abode.

**All:** **You will bring them in and plant them on your own mountain, the place, O LORD, which you Have made for your abode, the sanctuary, O LORD, which your hands have established.**

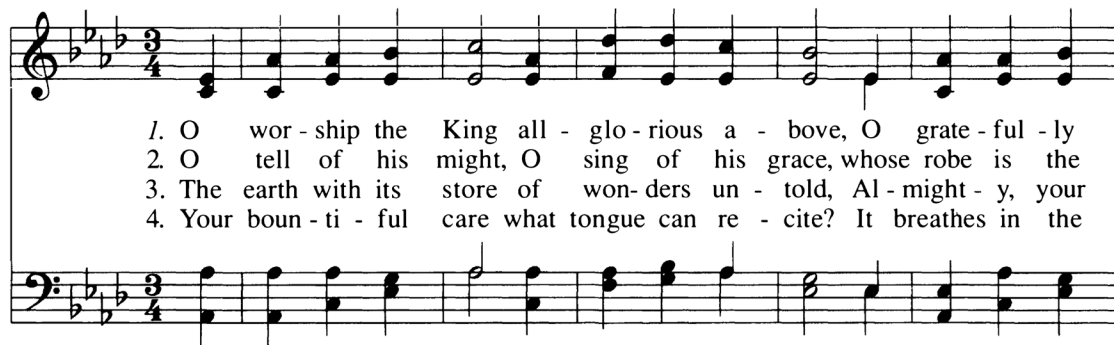
*Leader:* The LORD will reign forever and ever.

**All:** **Sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously.**

– Adapted from Exodus 15:1-21 ESV

\*\* Please stand if you are able

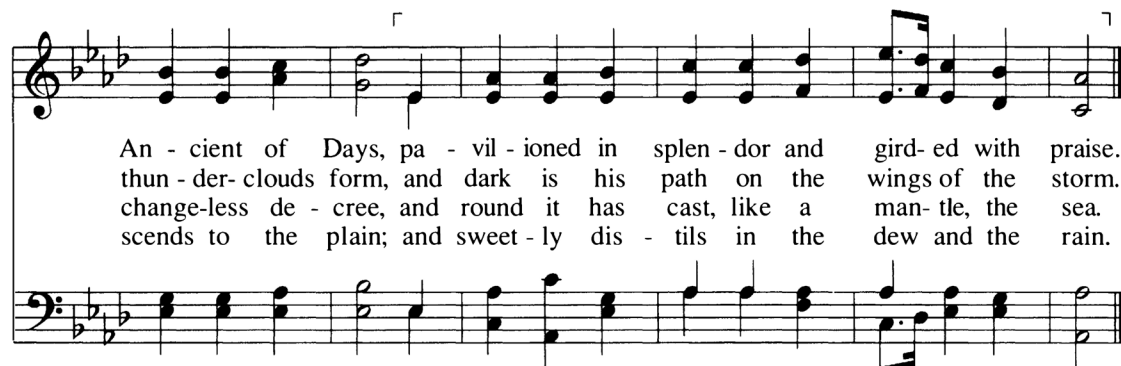
## O WORSHIP THE KING



1. O wor - ship the King all - glo - rious a - bove, O grate - ful - ly  
 2. O tell of his might, O sing of his grace, whose robe is the  
 3. The earth with its store of won - ders un - told, Al - might - y, your  
 4. Your boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite? It breathes in the



sing his pow'r and his love; our shield and De - fend - er, the  
 light, whose can - o - py space. His char - iots of wrath the deep  
 pow'r has found - ed of old; has 'stab - lished it fast by a  
 air; it shines in the light; it streams from the hills; it de -



An - cient of Days, pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 thun - der - clouds form, and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.  
 change - less de - cree, and round it has cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 scends to the plain; and sweet - ly dis - tils in the dew and the rain.

5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
 in you do we trust, nor find you to fail;  
 your mercies how tender, how firm to the end,  
 our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!

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## **\*\*prayer of invocation**

*Leader:* O most majestic and exalted God, thank you for opening to us the volume of creation showing forth your power and beauty. Thank you even more for spreading before us the fuller revelation of your word telling of your character, your love, and your mighty works toward our redemption. Today as we worship, and every day, O Lord, show us more clearly those things you have promised and have given to us in Jesus Christ. We pray before you asking that you grant us an increasing faith toward you – a faith that works by love for him who died, for our fellow-believers, and for our fellow-men. Amen.

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## **\*\* affirmation of faith**

*Leader:* How are we made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ?

**All: We are made partakers of the redemption purchased by Christ by the effectual application of it to us by his Holy Spirit.**

*Leader:* How does the Spirit apply the redemption purchased by Christ to us?

**All: The Spirit applies to us the redemption purchased by Christ by creating faith in us, and thereby uniting us to Christ in our effectual calling.**

*Leader:* What is effectual calling?

**All: Effectual calling is the work of God's Spirit by which, convincing us of our sin and misery, enlightening our minds in the knowledge of Christ, and renewing our wills, he persuades and enables us to embrace Jesus Christ, freely offered to us in the Gospel.**

– *Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q&A 29-31*

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

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

– Psalm 139:23-24<sub>ESV</sub>

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** O Lord, you who are merciful and gracious,  
You who forgive iniquity and transgression and sin,  
Take away from me my sins.  
My strength fails because of my iniquity,  
And my bones waste away because of my sin.  
O gracious God, mercifully kindle in me the fire of thy Holy Spirit.  
Take away from me my heart of stone, and grant me a heart of flesh,  
A heart to love and adore you, a heart to delight in you,  
A heart to love and edify those around me,  
to love and serve them like you have loved and served me.  
Give me a heart to follow, obey, and enjoy you.  
I lift myself up to you in the matchless name of Jesus Christ, Amen.

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

**All:** As far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

– Psalm 103:11-12<sub>ESV</sub>

THERE IS A BANNER (PSALM 60)

There is a banner raised by God,  
For those who fear the Lord,  
A solid rock immutable, where we may flee and bow  
Where we may flee and bow, where we may flee and bow  
A solid rock immutable, where we may flee and bow

God speaks from his throne above,  
He has said “I, sovereign, will reign!”  
When overcome by enemies, he alone he will save our soul  
He alone will save our soul, yes, he will save our soul  
When overcome by enemies, he alone he will save our soul

He gives us aid through times of pain,  
When all of man’s help fades.  
He calls us to his throne above, he is the Lord our God  
He is the Lord our God, he is the Lord our God  
He calls us to his throne above, he is the Lord our God

Caught in the mire of deep despair,  
When we would fly away  
You hold us in your mighty hand, you give us hope and peace  
You give us home and peace, you give us hope and peace  
You hold us in your mighty hand, you give us hope and peace

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*Leader:* Deuteronomy 11:18-28  
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.*

**Series** | “Philippians – Joy in the Lord”

DANIEL MCDOWELL

**Sermon** | “Fast or Forth?”

**February 16, 2025**

**Philippians 2:12-18** <sup>ESV</sup> | 12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure. 14 Do all things without grumbling or disputing, 15 that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, 16 holding fast to the word of life, so that in the day of Christ I may be proud that I did not run in vain or labor in vain. 17 Even if I am to be poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrificial offering of your faith, I am glad and rejoice with you all. 18 Likewise you also should be glad and rejoice with me.

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

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



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**\*\* gospel charge**

*Leader:* Saints of the Lord, upon hearing this Word of God, what should we do?

**All:** [W]henever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father also who is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses.

– Mark 11:25<sup>ESV</sup>

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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.*

**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

Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, “Take, eat; this is my body.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, saying, “Drink of it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.”

– Matthew 26:26-28 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 Lord of all, you have ordained this Supper as a reminder that you gave your body and blood to redeem us. The elements call out to us to consider your sacrificial death on our behalf. You have taken upon yourself the Father’s just displeasure on account of our sins, bearing what we deserved. Even so, O Lord, our participation in this supper signifies our fellowship and participation with you in dying to the world. Lead us, Lord, to understand that we cannot partake of your cup and also of the cup of the world’s idols, and grant us to be strengthened by your example in resisting sin and the evil one. Let us not grow weary or fainthearted, but live by faith to honor and praise you and the Father and the Holy Spirit.

*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 use the opportunity to contemplate Christ's giving himself for you and consider how you might 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.*

## 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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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.

**thank you**

Serving communion today is Rev. John Weller. He is a Teaching Elder in the South Texas Presbytery and is currently serving as a hospital chaplain. Previously, John was Assistant Pastor at Christ the King PCA in Austin, and prior to that he was a firefighter for the City of Austin for 23 years. He is married to Natalie Weller, and they have four grown children. If you have the opportunity, please greet John and Natalie, and express our thanks to John for his service to CPC this week.

**MEN'S RETREAT**

Men, join your brothers (high school and up) in this unique fellowship opportunity **Friday, February 28 - Saturday, March 1** at John Knox Ranch (Fischer, TX). Learn from the dynamic Rev. Paul Hahn, engage with worship and breakout sessions, enjoy fresh made meals, and establish / deepen bonds with your brothers in Christ with the bonfire and other activities. The cost is \$90 for the overnight stay and 3 meals (scholarships readily available). Email James Schell (men@cpcgeorgetown.org) with questions. Sign up in the lobby, scan the QR code, or respond to the evite. **The deadline to sign up is TODAY!**



**PRAYER MEETING | TUESDAY**

Please join us for the monthly prayer meeting **Tuesday, February 18, 12p** in the conference room. **Email Larry Lorimor** (prayer@cpcgeorgetown) for prayer requests. Scan the QR to join the Zoom meeting. All are welcome to join.

**LOST AND FOUND**

Our lost and found box is getting full. Please check the box located near the front door and reclaim any items that belong to you. Any items not claimed will be donated after the service on **Sunday, February 23**.

**new door locks / security**

Next week, **Monday, February 17 through Friday, February 21**, there will be an ongoing installation for a new door lock system for the building. This should not impact access to the church. More information will follow in the coming weeks as the system setup is completed. Please email the office (office@cpcgeorgetown.org) if you have any questions.

**officer nominations**

Members – One of the great ways you can love CPC is by helping us identify godly men to serve our church as elders or deacons. Pick up a nomination card from the designated table in the lobby and submit your completed form to the collection box by **Sunday, February 23**. Descriptions of qualifications and responsibilities for officers of the church can be found on the same table. You may also submit an electronic nomination card with the QR code.

