
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

REV. DEAN WILLIAMS

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.

— From Matthew 22:37_{ESV}

**** call to worship**

REV. DR. DANIEL J. MCDOWELL

Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good,

All: For his steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the God of gods,

All: For his steadfast love endures forever.

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord of lords,

All: For his steadfast love endures forever.

— Psalm 136:1-3_{ESV}

** Please stand if you are able

COME PEOPLE OF THE RISEN KING



1. Come, peo - ple of the ris - en King, who de - light to bring him praise;
2. Come, those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the night;
3. Come, young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wo - men of the faith;



come all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace.
 come, those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight.
 come, those with full or emp - ty hands, find the rich - es of his grace.



From the shift - ing shad - ows of the earth we will lift our eyes to him,
 For his per - fect love will nev - er change, and his mer - cies nev - er cease,
 O - ver all the world his peo - ple sing, shore to shore we hear them call,



where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to gath - er child - ren in.
 but fol - low us through all our days in the cer - tain hope of peace.
 the truth that cries through ev - 'ry age: "Our God is all in all!"



Re - joice! Re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re - joice!



One heart, one voice; O church of Christ, re - joice!

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****prayer of invocation**

REV. DR. MCDOWELL

**** affirmation of faith**

Leader: What is forbidden in the fifth commandment?

All: The fifth commandment forbids the neglecting of, or doing anything against, the honor and duty which belongs to everyone in their several places and relations.

Leader: What is the reason annexed to the fifth commandment?

All: The reason annexed to the fifth commandment, is a promise of long life and prosperity (as far as it shall serve for God's glory and their own good) to all such as keep this commandment.

— *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*, Questions 65-66

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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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: O God, you know my folly; the wrongs I have done are not hidden from you.
— Psalm 69:5 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love;
According to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions.
Wash us thoroughly from our iniquity and cleanse us from our sin!
For we know our transgressions, and our sin is ever before us.
Against you, you only, have we sinned and done what is evil in your sight,
So that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.
Create in us clean hearts, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.
Restore to us the joy of your salvation and uphold us with a willing spirit.
Then we will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.
— From Psalm 51 ESV

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting.

All: May the God of mercy, who forgives us all our sins, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.
— Book of Common Prayer

ABIDE WITH ME



1. A - bid with me: fast falls the e - ven - tide;
 2. Thou on my head, in ear - ly youth didst smile;
 3. I need thy pres-ence, ev - ery pass - ing hour.
 4. I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless;
 5. Hold thou thy cross, be - fore my clos - ing eyes;

the dark - ness deep - ens; Lord with me a - bid.
 and, though re - bel - lious, and per - verse mean - while,
 What but thy grace can foil the tempt - er's power?
 ills have no weight, tears lose their bit - ter - ness.
 shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies.

When oth - er help - ers fail and com - forts flee,
 thou hast not left me, though I oft left thee;
 Who like thy - self, my guide and stay can be?
 Where is thy sting death? Where grave thy vic - to - ry?
 Heav'n's morn - ing breaks, and earth's vain shad - ows flee;

help of the help - less, a - bid with me.
 on to the close Lord, a - bid with me.
 Through cloud and sun - shine, a - bid with me.
 I tri - umph still, a - bid with me.
 in life, in death, Lord, a - bid with me.

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scripture reading

REV. WILLIAMS

Leader: Joshua 1:1-9
This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

prayer

RULING ELDER ROB CASTRO

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.

Sermon | “The Lord Who Fights, Provides, and Goes Before His People” April 12, 2026

Deuteronomy 3:1-22 ^{ESV} | 1 “Then we turned and went up the way to Bashan. And Og the king of Bashan came out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei. 2 But the Lord said to me, ‘Do not fear him, for I have given him and all his people and his land into your hand. And you shall do to him as you did to Sihon the king of the Amorites, who lived at Heshbon.’ 3 So the Lord our God gave into our hand Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people, and we struck him down until he had no survivor left. 4 And we took all his cities at that time – there was not a city that we did not take from them – sixty cities, the whole region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan. 5 All these were cities fortified with high walls, gates, and bars, besides very many unwalled villages. 6 And we devoted them to destruction, as we did to Sihon the king of Heshbon, devoting to destruction every city, men, women, and children. 7 But all the livestock and the spoil of the cities we took as our plunder. 8 So we took the land at that time out of the hand of the two kings of the Amorites who were beyond the Jordan, from the Valley of the Arnon to Mount Hermon 9 (the Sidonians call Hermon Sirion, while the Amorites call it Senir), 10 all the cities of the tableland and all Gilead and all Bashan, as far as Salecah and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan. 11 (For only Og the king of Bashan was left of the remnant of the Rephaim. Behold, his bed was a bed of iron. Is it not in Rabbah of the Ammonites? Nine cubits was its length, and four cubits its breadth, according to the common cubit.)

12 “When we took possession of this land at that time, I gave to the Reubenites and the Gadites the territory beginning at Aroer, which is on the edge of the Valley of the Arnon, and half the hill country of Gilead with its cities. 13 The rest of Gilead, and all Bashan, the kingdom of Og, that is, all the region of Argob, I gave to the half-tribe of Manasseh. (All that portion of Bashan is called the land of Rephaim. 14 Jair the Manassite took all the region of Argob, that is, Bashan, as far as the border of the Geshurites and the Maacathites, and called the villages after his own name, Havvoth-jair, as it is to this day.) 15 To Machir I gave Gilead, 16 and to the Reubenites and the Gadites I gave the territory from Gilead as far as the Valley of the Arnon, with the middle of the valley as a border, as far over as the river Jabbok, the border of the Ammonites; 17 the Arabah also, with the Jordan as the border, from Chinnereth as far as the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, under the slopes of Pisgah on the east.

18 “And I commanded you at that time, saying, ‘The Lord your God has given you this land to possess. All your men of valor shall cross over armed before your brothers, the people of Israel. 19 Only your wives, your little ones, and your livestock (I know that you have much livestock) shall remain in the cities that I have given you, 20 until the Lord gives rest to your brothers, as to you, and they also occupy the land that the Lord your God gives them beyond the Jordan. Then each of you may return to his

possession which I have given you.’ 21 And I commanded Joshua at that time, ‘Your eyes have seen all that the Lord your God has done to these two kings. So will the Lord do to all the kingdoms into which you are crossing. 22 You shall not fear them, for it is the Lord your God who fights for you.’”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

sermon notes

**** gospel charge**

RULING ELDER CASTRO

Leader: In response to the Word we have heard, how ought we live?

All: Let us be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord our labor is not in vain.

— From 1 Corinthians 15:58_{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.*

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^{ESV}

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

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

Minister: Let us pray.

Minister: Children of God, what have we received from our Lord?

All: “What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. This is what we speak, not in words taught us by human wisdom but in words taught by the Spirit, explaining spiritual realities with Spirit taught words.”

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.

ALL MUST BE WELL



1. Through the love of God our Sav - ior, all will be well.
2. Though we pass through trib - u - la - tion, all will be well.
3. We ex - pect a bright to - mor - row, all will be well.



Free and change-less is his fa - vor, all is well.
Ours is such a full sal - va - tion, all is well
Faith can sing through days of sor - row, all is well.



Pre-cious is the blood that healed us, Per-fect is the grace that sealed us,
Hap-py still in God con - fid - ing, Fruit-ful if in Christ a - bid - ing,
(On our Fa-ther's love re - ly - ing, Je-sus ev-'ry need sup - ply - ing,



Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us, all must be well.
Stead-fast through the Spir - it's guid - ing, all must be well.
Yes in liv - ing or in dy - ing, all must be well.) x2

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announcements

REV. WILLIAMS

** benediction

** doxology

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.

**get involved**

Meaningful involvement is the best way to build relationships and connect to a church. If you want to go deeper and find out more, **please contact our church office** (office@cpcgeorgetown.org). If you are looking for a place to serve in the church, scan the QR code and sign up for the areas you are interested in.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER MEETING

Our monthly prayer meeting will change and become part of our weekly Wednesday night ministries program. Please join us as we have Bible study and prayer time **every Wednesday, 615p** in the sanctuary. **Send prayer requests to Larry Lorimor** (prayer@cpcgeorgetown.org).

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEER MEETING | APRIL 30

Join us for an informative children's ministry meeting on **Thursday, April 30, 6-730p** in the youth room. This meeting is for all current and interested volunteers. We will review vision, class objectives, and our updated child protection policies. Dinner will be provided and childcare will be provided with RSVP. **Email Korina Slabach** (kids@cpcgeorgetown.org) with any questions you may have. **Scan the QR code to RSVP for food and childcare!** We look forward to seeing you there!

**weekly newsletter email**

Did you know that CPC sends a weekly email newsletter on Fridays? **If you are not receiving the email already and would like to, please email Adrienne Herron** (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org) to get on our email list. It's a great way to keep up with church life!

church life stand

Want to get involved in the life of the church? Visit the church life stand in the lobby by the front doors to see what's happening at CPC.