
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

Let your heart be wholly true to the LORD our God, walking in his statutes and keeping his commandments.

— From 1 Kings 8:61^{ESV}

**** call to worship**

REV. DR. DANIEL J. MCDOWELL

Leader: Praise the LORD!

All: Praise the LORD, O my soul! I will praise the LORD as long as I live; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

— Psalm 146:1-2^{ESV}

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al - migh - ty!
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! All the saints a - dore thee,
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Though the dark - ness hide thee,
 Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Lord God Al migh - ty!

Ear - ly in the morn - ing our song shall rise to thee;
 Cast - ing down their gol - den 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;

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly! Mer - ci - ful and migh - ty!
 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 migh - ty!

God in three per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty!
 Who wert, and art, and ev - er more shall be.
 Per - fect in pow'r, in love, and pur - i - ty.
 God in three per - sons, bless - ed Tri - ni - ty.

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****prayer of invocation**

REV. DR. MCDOWELL

**** affirmation of faith**

Leader: What is forbidden in the sixth commandment?

All: The sixth commandment forbids taking your own life or someone else's life without just cause, as well as anything that leads toward that.

Leader: Which is the seventh commandment?

All: The seventh commandment is you shall not commit adultery.

— *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*, Questions 69-70

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE



1. Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2. Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing and si - lent as light,
 3. To all, life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4. Great Fa - ther of glo - ry; pure Fa - ther of light,
 in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;
 most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish as leaves on the tree,
 all praise we would ren - der; O help us to see
 al - might - y, vic - to - rious, thy great name we praise.
 thy clouds which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 and with - er and per - ish, but naught chang - eth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee!

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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: Almighty God, have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

— *The Book of Common Prayer*

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,

All: In whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

— Colossians 1:13-14_{ESV}

GOD, BE MERCIFUL TO ME (PSALM 51)



1. God, be mer - ci - ful to me,	on thy grace I rest my plea;
2. My trans-gres-sions I con-fess,	grief and guilt my soul op-press;
3. Bro-ken, hum-bled to the dust	by thy wrath and judg-ment just,
4. Gra-cious God, my heart re - new,	make my spir - it right and true;
5. Sin - ners then shall learn from me	and re - turn, O God, to thee;



plen-teous in com-pas-sion thou,	blot out my trans-gres-sions now;
I have sinned a - gainst thy grace	and pro-voked thee to thy face;
let my con-trite heart re - joice	and in glad - ness hear thy voice;
cast me not a - way from thee,	let thy Spir - it dwell in me;
Sa-vior, all my guilt re-move,	and my tongue shall sing thy love;



wash me, make me pure with - in,	cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin.
I con-fess my judg-ment-just,	speech-less, I thy mer - cy trust.
from my sins O hide my face,	blot them out in bound-less grace.
thy sal - va-tion's joy im - part,	stead-fast make my will - ing heart.
touch my si - lent lips, O Lord,	and my mouth shall praise ac - cord.

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Leader: Deuteronomy 4:15-24
This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

prayer

RULING ELDER JONATHAN WELLS

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 | “Idols: Trading Glory for Dust”

April 26, 2026

Deuteronomy 4:25-40 ^{ESV} | 25 “When you father children and children’s children, and have grown old in the land, and you act corruptly by making a carved image in the form of anything, and by doing what is evil in the sight of the Lord your God, so as to provoke him to anger, 26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that you will soon utterly perish from the land that you are going over the Jordan to possess. You will not live long in it, but will be utterly destroyed. 27 And the Lord will scatter you among the peoples, and you will be left few in number among the nations where the Lord will drive you. 28 And there you will serve gods of wood and stone, the work of human hands, that neither see, nor hear, nor eat, nor smell. 29 But from there you will seek the Lord your God and you will find him, if you search after him with all your heart and with all your soul. 30 When you are in tribulation, and all these things come upon you in the latter days, you will return to the Lord your God and obey his voice. 31 For the Lord your God is a merciful God. He will not leave you or destroy you or forget the covenant with your fathers that he swore to them.

32 “For ask now of the days that are past, which were before you, since the day that God created man on the earth, and ask from one end of heaven to the other, whether such a great thing as this has ever happened or was ever heard of. 33 Did any people ever hear the voice of a god speaking out of the midst of the fire, as you have heard, and still live? 34 Or has any god ever attempted to go and take a nation for himself from the midst of another nation, by trials, by signs, by wonders, and by war, by a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, and by great deeds of terror, all of which the Lord your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes? 35 To you it was shown, that you might know that the Lord is God; there is no other besides him. 36 Out of heaven he let you hear his voice, that he might discipline you. And on earth he let you see his great fire, and you heard his words out of the midst of the fire. 37 And because he loved your fathers and chose their offspring after them and brought you out of Egypt with his own presence, by his great power, 38 driving out before you nations greater and mightier than you, to bring you in, to give you their land for an inheritance, as it is this day, 39 know therefore today, and lay it to your heart, that the Lord is God in heaven above and on the earth beneath; there is no other. 40 Therefore you shall keep his statutes and his commandments, which I command you today, that it may go well with you and with your children after you, and that you may prolong your days in the land that the Lord your God is giving you for all time.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

**** gospel charge**

RULING ELDER WELLS

Leader: Having now heard from the Lord who has called us by his name, how should we respond?
All: **Let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith.**

— From Hebrews 12:1-2_{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.

HE LEADETH ME



1. He lead - eth me: O bless - ed thought! O words with heav - enly
2. Some - times 'mid scenes of deep - est gloom, some - times where E - den's
3. Lord, I would clasp thy hand in mine, nor ev - er mur - mur
4. And when my task on earth is done, when, by thy grace, the



com - fort fraught! What - e'er I do, wher - e're I be, still
bow - ers bloom, by wa - ters calm, o'er trou - bled sea, still
nor re - pine; con - tent, what - ev - er lot I see, since
vic - t'ry's won, e'en death's cold wave I will not flee, since



'tis God's hand that lead - eth me. He lead - eth me, he lead - eth me; by
'tis his hand that lead - eth me.
'tis my God that lead - eth me.
God through Jor - dan lead - eth me.



his own hand he lead - eth me: his faith - ful fol - l'wer



I would be, for by his hand he lead - eth me.

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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 NIGHT MINISTRIES

Join us for **Wednesday Night Ministries** every week from **615-745p** – a time for connection, growth, and encouragement. Dinner is provided, so come as you are!

CPC Kids Club (3rd-5th Grade)

Kids will dive into an engaging catechism class filled with worship, music, fellowship, and plenty of fun games.

Youth Ministry (6th-12th Grade)

Students gather for an exciting evening of worship, meaningful teaching, open discussion, prayer, and games – a great place to grow in faith and friendships.

Adult Bible Study & Prayer Meeting

Adults are warmly invited to join a refreshing time of Bible study and prayer in the sanctuary.

Make your Wednesdays the highlight of your week! Come be part of what God is doing on Wednesday nights!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEER MEETING | MAY 3

Join us for an informative children's ministry meeting on **Sunday, May 3, 5-630p** 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!

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 7**

Mark your calendar **Thursday, May 7, 630-730p** to join in on the annual National Day of Prayer in Georgetown on the historic Williamson County Courthouse lawn (710 S Main Street, Georgetown) as Scripture is read and reflected upon. Pray for our nation, national leaders, local government, police, emergency services, military, businesses, churches, family, and youth. Bring a blanket or chair if you wish. In the event of inclement weather, the event will move indoors down the block (111 W Main Street).

adult sunday school

Pastor Daniel will be leading a new class on The Lord's Prayer in the sanctuary, 915a. This class will unpack the theological and spiritual implications of the model which Jesus used to teach His disciples how to pray. The last day of Sunday school is May 24.

byfaith

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cpc moments in pictures

If you’ve taken photos at recent CPC events, we’d love for you to share them! **To submit photos:** Please upload them using the QR code or contact the church office (office@cpcgeorgetown.org) for assistance. Thank you for helping us capture the life of our church family!

weekly financial snapshot

Thank you for faithfully giving to the Lord!

General Fund Weekly Giving

Budgeted weekly average	\$16,521
Last week (4.19.26)	\$12,350



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Fiscal Year thru Last Month (July through March)

General Fund	
Giving	\$664,287
Cash Expenditures	\$591,159
Debt Reduction Fund	
Last month’s giving	\$2,900
FYTD mortgage principal reduction	\$73,615
Building Fund	
Last month’s giving	\$95
Applied to mortgage P&I	\$114,795
Balance	\$719,876
Mortgage Balance	\$2,690,631