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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**

If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

– John 8:31b-32, 36<sub>ESV</sub>

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

**All:** Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

*Leader:* Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

**All:** For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

– Psalm 95:1-3<sub>ESV</sub>

*Leader:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**All:** Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed!

\*\* Please stand if you are able

## COME, CHRISTIANS, JOIN TO SING

Come, Christians, join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!  
Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!  
Let all, with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice.  
Praise is his gracious choice. Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!  
Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!  
He is our Guide and Friend. To us he'll condescend.  
His love shall never end. Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!  
Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!  
On heaven's blissful shore, his goodness we'll adore,  
Singing forevermore, "Alleluia! Amen!"

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## \*\* prayer of invocation

*Leader:* God of wonders, who set the stars and moon in their place, who established the sun and tells it when to rise and fall: Is it not your voice that establishes our days and quiets our spirit? Only your words can fill our souls and quench our thirst. Therefore, come, Father of mercies! Come, Son of God and Word of Life! Come, Holy Spirit, Comforter of our souls! Inhabit the praises of your people, O Great God, and fill us with awe at your power, for there is no other god than Our God. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

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## \*\* affirmation of faith

*Leader:* How are you righteous before God?

**All:** Only by true faith in Jesus Christ. Although my conscience accuses me that I have grievously sinned against all God's commandments, have never kept any of them, and am still inclined to all evil, yet God, without any merit of my own, out of mere grace, imputes to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ. He grants these to me as if I had never had nor committed any sin, and as if I myself had accomplished all the obedience which Christ has rendered for me, if only I accept this gift with a believing heart.

— *Heidelberg Catechism*, Q&A 60

## WHAT WONDROUS LOVE IS THIS

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this, O my soul!

What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss

To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul; to bear the dreadful curse for my soul.

When I was sinking down, sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down, sinking down,

When I was sinking down beneath God's righteous frown,

Christ laid aside his crown for my soul, for my soul. Christ laid aside his crown for my soul.

To God and to the Lamb, I will sing, I will sing;

To God and to the Lamb I will sing.

To God and to the Lamb who is the great I Am;

While millions join the theme, I will sing, I will sing. While millions join the theme, I will sing.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on, I'll sing on.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing on.

And when from death I'm free, I'll sing and joyful be

And through eternity, I'll sing on, I'll sing on. And through eternity, I'll sing on.

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

– 1 John 1:5,8-9 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All: Father in heaven, by your Word,  
Which is sharper than any two-edged sword,  
Would you discern the thoughts and intentions of my heart?  
Pierce my soul with conviction of sin and alert me to any error in me.  
For though I know and confess that I am a sinner,  
I am yet confounded by my desires and enticed by my flesh.  
Thank you that Jesus sympathizes with my weakness,  
And that he knows what is required to resist temptation,  
Because he was tempted as we are, yet without sin.  
Let me diligently labor as one who will receive the rest Christ has won,  
Even as I rest in his good work carried out on my behalf.  
Thank you for your abundant mercy and your throne of grace,  
And because of Jesus' Name, I offer this prayer to you in faith,  
Amen.**

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

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

– 2 Corinthians 5:21 NIV

**All: Thanks be to the Risen Lamb!**

## ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST

I once was lost in darkest night, yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that you would own a rebel to your will  
And if you had not loved me first, I would refuse you still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed; you suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me; now all I know is grace \*

*\* Chorus:*

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ  
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life

Now, Lord, I would be yours alone and live so all might see  
The strength to follow your commands could never come from me  
O Father, use my ransomed life in any way you choose  
And let my song forever be, "My only boast is you" \*

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*Leader:* Luke 11:1-13  
This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

*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.**

*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. If you are joining us from your home, please unmute yourself so that you can greet one another. If you are gathered here with us today, greet one another warmly with the peace of Christ.*

**Series** | “James – Faith Works”**Sermon** | “The Prayers of the Righteous”**April 30, 2023**

**James 5:13-18** ESV | **13** Is anyone among you suffering? Let him pray. Is anyone cheerful? Let him sing praise. **14** Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. **15** And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up. And if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. **16** Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. **17** Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. **18** Then he prayed again, and heaven gave rain, and the earth bore its fruit.

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

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

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**\*\* gospel charge**

*Leader:* But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

**All:** **But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.**

– Based on James 1:22-25<sub>ESV</sub>

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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. 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.*

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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 remember his suffering and death, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension; and we await his coming again with power and great glory. God of Mercy, hear our prayer and by your Word and Holy Spirit bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine. Grant that all who share this bread and cup 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:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*As the elements are distributed, sing as one body, affirming that in Christ we are united to him and to one another.*

## UPON A LIFE I HAVE NOT LIVED

Upon a life I have not lived,  
Upon a death I did not die,  
Another's life; Another's death,  
I stake my whole eternity.

Not on the tears which I have shed,  
Not on the sorrows I have known,  
Another's tears; Another's griefs,  
On these I rest, on these alone.

O Jesus, Son of God, I build on what thy cross has done for me;  
There both my life and death I read, my guilt, and pardon there I see.  
There I see.

Lord, I believe; O deal with me,  
As one who has thy Word believed!  
I take the gift, Lord, look on me,  
As one who has thy gift received.

O Jesus, Son of God, I build on what thy cross has done for me;  
There both my life and death I read, my guilt, and pardon there I see.

O Jesus, Son of God, I build on what thy cross has done for me;  
There both my life and death I read, my guilt, and pardon there I see.  
There I see.

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*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 our gifts are freely returned, and in no way add to but are only a response to the supremely adequate work of Christ's atonement.*

## O, THE DEEP, DEEP LOVE OF JESUS

O, the deep, deep love of Jesus; vast, unmeasured, boundless free.  
Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me.  
Underneath me, all around me, is the current of thy love.  
Leading onward, leading homeward, to thy glorious rest above.

O, the deep, deep love of Jesus; spread his praise from shore to shore.  
How he loveth, ever loveth, changeth never, nevermore.  
How he watches o'er his loved ones, died to call them all his own.  
How for them he intercedeth, watcheth o'er them from the throne.

O, the deep, deep love of Jesus; love of every love the best;  
'Tis an ocean vast of blessing, 'tis a haven sweet of rest.  
O the deep, deep love of Jesus; 'tis a heaven of heavens to me,  
And it lifts me up to glory for it lifts me up to thee.

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**announcements**

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**\*\* benediction**

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**\*\*doxology**

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow  
Praise him all creatures here below  
Praise him above ye heavenly host  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**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 a visitor card at the entrance by the bulletins.

**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 4**

Mark your calendar **Thursday, May 4, 630-730p** to join in National Day of Prayer at Crestview Baptist Church (2300 Williams Dr) on the east lawn and parking lot. There is also a morning event open to all at The Worship Place at 10a. The event will happen rain or shine with two options to participate: There will be a broadcast "drive-in" style to your car radio in the parking lot, or you can bring a lawn chair and sit under the big oak tree.

**MEN'S ULTIMATE FRISBEE | MAY 6**

Men - Our sister church, CrossPointe, challenged us to a friendly match of ultimate frisbee on **Saturday, May 6, 10a. Contact James Schell** (men@cpcgeorgetown.org, (512) 468.1207) for more details.

**sedro crossing update**

We will be moving into our new building in the next few weeks! Please stay tuned for important dates. We will need help moving from Pickett to Sedro. There will also be some work days to get our new space ready, and we will need all hands on deck! **Contact the deacons with questions** (deacons@cpcgeorgetown.org).

**weekly 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 to get on our email list** (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org). It's a great way to keep up with church life!