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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**

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases;  
his mercies never come to an end;  
they are new every morning;  
great is your faithfulness.

– Lamentations 3:22-23<sub>ESV</sub>

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them.

**All:** Full of splendor and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures forever.

*Leader:* He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered;

**All:** The LORD is gracious and merciful. He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant forever.

*Leader:* Holy and awesome is his name!

**All:** His praise endures forever!

– Based on Psalm 111:2-4, 9-10<sub>ESV</sub>

*Leader:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

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

## GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

Great is thy faithfulness, O God, my Father.  
There is no shadow of turning with thee:  
Thou changest not, thy compassions they fail not;  
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be. \*

*\* Chorus:*

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!  
Morning by morning new mercies I see:  
All I have needed thy hand hath provided —  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest;  
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above,  
Join with all nature in manifold witness  
To thy great faithfulness, mercy and love. \*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,  
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide;  
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,  
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside. \*

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## \*\* prayer of invocation

*Leader:* Eternal God, the Great I AM, immortal and uncreated: You are not dependent on us for anything, and yet you have made yourself our God. What is man that you should be mindful of him and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you have crowned him with glory and honor. O Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Enable us by your Spirit and because of your Son to call on the Name too holy for our lips and to confess what is too high for our hearts – that in Christ, you are near us now. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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## \*\* affirmation of faith

*Leader:* How does Christ's ascension into heaven benefit us?

**All:** **First, he is our Advocate in heaven before his Father. Second, we have our flesh in heaven as a sure pledge that he, our head, will also take us, his members, up to himself. Third, he sends us his Spirit as a counter-pledge, by whose power we seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God, and not the things that are on earth.**

– *Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 49*

## COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

Come, thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it; mount of thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I've come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

Oh, to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be.  
Let thy goodness like a fetter bind my wandering heart to thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for thy courts above.

On that day when freed from sinning, I shall see thy lovely face;  
Clothed by thee in blood-washed linen, how I'll sing thy sovereign grace.  
Come, my Lord, no longer tarry; take my ransomed soul away.  
Send thine angels now to carry me to realms of endless day.

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions; according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O LORD!

– Psalm 25:7 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** Merciful God, with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared;  
For we have offended you, Almighty God:  
We have sinned against your holy law;  
We have defiled your design for our lives;  
We have perverted justice and reason;  
We have neglected and squandered your gifts and blessings;  
We have feared created things rather than our Creator;  
We have harbored resentment and rebellion against you.  
You are our King, apart from you there is no salvation, no hope, and no joy.  
Therefore, by your Spirit, humble us and lead us to repent,  
To amend our lives according to the life we have in Christ.  
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ – by grace you have been saved – and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

**All:** So that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. Amen.

– Ephesians 2:4-7 ESV

## NOT WHAT MY HANDS HAVE DONE

Not what my hands have done can save my guilty soul;  
Not what my toiling flesh has borne can make my spirit whole.  
Not what I feel or do can give me peace with God;  
Not all my prayers and sighs and tears can bear my awful load.

Thy work alone, O Christ, can ease this weight of sin;  
Thy blood alone, O Lamb of God, can give me peace within.  
Thy love to me, O God, not mine, O Lord, to thee,  
Can rid me of this dark unrest, and set my spirit free.

Thy grace alone, O God, to me can pardon speak;  
Thy power alone, O Son of God, can this sore bondage break.  
No other work, save thine, no other blood will do;  
No strength, save that which is divine, can bear me safely through.

I bless the Christ of God; I rest on love divine;  
And with unfaltering lip and heart, I call this Savior mine.  
His cross dispels each doubt; I bury in his tomb  
Each thought of unbelief and fear, each lingering shade of gloom.

I praise the God of grace; I trust his truth and might;  
He calls me his, I call him mine, my God, my joy, my light.  
'Tis he who saveth me, and freely pardon gives;  
I love because he loveth me, I live because he lives.

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*Leader:* Psalm 73:1-18, 23-26  
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. Greet one another warmly with the peace of Christ.*

Series | “Romans: The Foundation of Our Faith”

Sermon | “Always Reforming”

May 12, 2024

**Romans 16:17-27** <sup>ESV</sup> | 17 I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them. 18 For such persons do not serve our Lord Christ, but their own appetites, and by smooth talk and flattery they deceive the hearts of the naive. 19 For your obedience is known to all, so that I rejoice over you, but I want you to be wise as to what is good and innocent as to what is evil. 20 The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

21 Timothy, my fellow worker, greets you; so do Lucius and Jason and Sosipater, my kinsmen.

22 Tertius, who wrote this letter, greet you in the Lord.

23 Gaius, who is host to me and to the whole church, greets you. Erastus, the city treasurer, and our brother Quartus, greet you.

25 Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages 26 but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith – 27 to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen.

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

**All:** Thanks be to God!



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**\*\* gospel charge**

*Leader:* In light of the Word we have heard, how ought we live?

**All:** Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

– Colossians 2:6-7<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.*

## JESUS PAID IT ALL

I hear the Savior say, “Your strength indeed is small.  
Child of weakness, watch and pray. Find in me your all in all.” \*

*\* Chorus:*

Jesus paid it all; all to him I owe.  
Sin had left a crimson stain; he washed it white as snow.

Lord, now indeed I find your power, and yours alone,  
Can change the leper’s spots and melt the heart of stone. \*

For nothing good have I whereby your grace to claim;  
I’ll wash my garments white in the blood of Calvary’s Lamb. \*

And when, before the throne I stand in him complete,  
“Jesus died my soul to save,” my lips shall still repeat. \*

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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 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.*

## THERE IS A REDEEMER

There is a Redeemer, Jesus God's own Son  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One

Jesus my Redeemer, Name above all names  
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Oh! for sinners slain \*

*\* Chorus:*

Thank you, O my Father! for giving us your Son  
And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done

When we stand in glory, we will see his face  
There we'll serve our King forever in that holy place \*

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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 the welcome pad when it comes to you.

**sunday school**

Next **Sunday, May 19**, is the last day of Sunday school until July. Stay tuned for more information on the summer session!

**happy mother's day**

God's wisdom is evident in everything, but especially in the way he made mothers. We are so thankful for the unique nurture and care we have all known through all mothers - both physical mothers and spiritual mothers. We love you and wish you a great day to be reminded of your special place in our hearts.

**FAREWELL LUNCH FOR THE ANDERSONS | MAY 19**

Please plan to join us **Sunday, May 19**, immediately following the service for a farewell lunch for the Anderson family. We hope to show the Anderson family how much we love them and wish them well on their future endeavors in San Antonio! There is a sign-up link in the weekly newsletter or you can sign up in the lobby to bring something to share. **Contact Suzanne Joffrion** ([hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org](mailto:hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org)) for more information or to volunteer to help.

**2024 BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER**

Join us in supporting the work of the Pregnancy Help Center of Williamson County today on Mother's Day! You will help to provide free parenting classes, spiritual encouragement, maternity and baby supplies, and a hand of friendship to local men and women in crisis. Most importantly, you enable the center to continue sharing the hope & love of Christ with those considering abortion, helping them to choose life for their unborn children. **Please pick up a baby bottle today and begin filling it with coins, cash and/or a check.** Return bottles by **Sunday, June 16** (Father's Day). Visit [www.phcwc.com](http://www.phcwc.com) for more information about this life-giving ministry or to give an online donation! You may also make your donation on the CPC giving page designating it for PHC-WC by selecting the fund for the Pregnancy Help Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser ([www.cpcgeorgetown.org/giving](http://www.cpcgeorgetown.org/giving)).

**missions opportunity**

Come alongside CPC missionaries Marcus and Heather Rudd at Isaiah 55 Ministries in Reynosa, Mexico (just across the border from McAllen, TX) the week of **June 1-7**. Isaiah 55 is a multi-faceted ministry, including a deaf and vocational school, neighborhood outreach, and church planting efforts. Team members will work on projects to improve our deaf school facility and surrounding community. If you have a heart that is moved for the Isaiah 55 Ministries, please prayerfully consider joining a team of CPC members who will act as the hands of Christ in this ministry. **Please contact Gary Britigan** ([gary\\_britigan@yahoo.com](mailto:gary_britigan@yahoo.com)) for more information or to sign up for this trip.

**give & receive facebook group**

Do you have a pile of unwanted items you haven't gotten around to donating? Have you been looking for a specific item that just isn't in the budget? Join the Facebook group **Give and Receive CPC!** Open only to CPC members and attendees, the group gives us a safe place to re-home items we no longer want, share our talents with our church family, and find items or services we need at no cost. **Contact Emily Ferguson via Facebook or email** ([emilyferguson08@gmail.com](mailto:emilyferguson08@gmail.com)) to join.