SERVICE OF WORSHIP | CPC

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

"Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world."

- John 17:24 _{FSV}

** call to worship

Leader: Blessed be the LORD, my rock,

All: He is my steadfast love and my fortress,

Leader: My stronghold and my deliverer,

All: My shield and he in whom I take refuge.

Leader: Blessed are the people whose God is the LORD!

All: We enter his courts with praise and thanksgiving to worship him!

-Adapted from Psalm 144:1-2, 15b; 100:4 ESV

^{**} Please stand if you are able

COME, THOU ALMIGHTY KING

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, Help us to praise: Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, Come, and reign over us, Ancient of days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend: Come and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear In this glad hour: Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of power.

To the great One in Three, eternal praises be, Hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, And to eternity love and adore.

Words: Anonymous; Music: TRINITY (ITALIAN HYMN), Felice de Giardini. Public Domain.

** prayer of invocation

Leader:

O God Above, let your love draw us nearer to you. Let your beauty wean us from sin and weaken our attachment to this world. Let your mercy strengthen us and give us courage to count all things loss for the sake of knowing you and being found in your Son. By the light of your Spirit, train our eyes on Jesus, our anchor and our hope, and visit us today with grace that pulls us ever forward toward our heavenly prize. We pray this in Jesus' Name. Amen.

** affirmation of faith

Leader: Why is the Son of God called "Jesus," that is, "savior"?

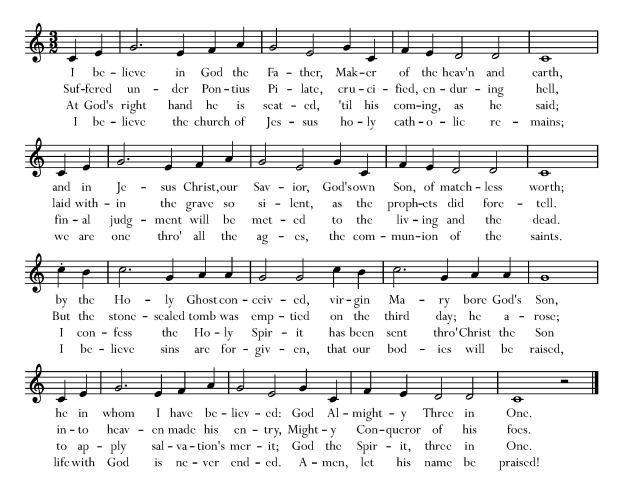
All: Because he saves us from our sins; and because salvation is not to be sought or found in anyone else.

Leader: Why is he called "Christ," that is, "anointed"?

All: Because he has been ordained by God the Father, and anointed with the Holy Spirit, to be our chief Prophet and Teacher, who has fully revealed to us the secret counsel and will of God concerning our redemption; our only High Priest, who by the one sacrifice of his body has redeemed us, and who ever lives to make intercession for us with the Father; and our eternal King, who governs us by his Word and Spirit, and defends and preserves us in the redemption obtained for us.

- Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 29, 31

THE APOSTLES' CREED



Words: The Apostles' Creed, versified by Anonymous; Music: RIPLEY, Lowell Mason. Public Domain.

renewing our hearts

CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader:

Come now, let us reason together, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

- Isaiah 1:18 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All:

God of grace and peace,

Who has called us out of the kingdom of darkness

And into the communion of the saints.

We confess that we do not pray for your kingdom to come.

We confess our doubt in your providence and provision.

We confess our blindness to your Spirit's work in our lives.

Forgive us for the sake of our Redeemer,

And continue your powerful work in us,

To shape us evermore into the image of the Lord Jesus Christ,

In whose name we ask these things. Amen.

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader:

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth...from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

- John 1:14, 16-17 _{ESV}

All: Thanks be to our God: one in essence, three in person, forever.

** hymn of gratitude

JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS!

Jesus! What a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole. *

* Chorus:

Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him. Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my victory wins. *

Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll, Even when my heart is breaking, he, my comfort, helps my soul. *

Jesus! I do now receive him. More than all in him I find. He hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. *

Words: John Wilbur Chapman; Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland Prichard. Public Domain.

scripture reading

Leader: Acts 16:6-15

This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

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.

** 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.

DANIEL MCDOWELL

Series | "Philippians – Joy in the Lord" **Sermon** | "God's Good Work in You"

May 26, 2024

Philippians 1:1-6 _{ESV} | 1 Paul and Timothy, servants of Christ Jesus,

To all the saints in Christ Jesus who are at Philippi, with the overseers and deacons:

2 Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

3 I thank my God in all my remembrance of you, 4 always in every prayer of mine for you all making my prayer with joy, 5 because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now. 6 And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

sermon notes

** gospel charge

Leader: In response to the Gospel of grace, how shall we then live?

All:

Therefore, preparing your minds for action, and being sober-minded, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ. As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, but as he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, since it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy."

- 1 Peter 1:13-16 _{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. 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.

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 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.

communion reflection & song

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

HOW SWEET AND AWESOME IS THE PLACE

How sweet and awesome is the place with Christ within the doors, While everlasting love displays the choicest of her stores.

While all our hearts and all our songs join to admire the feast, Each of us cries, with thankful tongue, "Lord, why was I a guest?

"Why was I made to hear your voice, and enter while there's room, When thousands make a wretched choice, and rather starve than come?"

'Twas the same love that spread the feast that sweetly drew us in; Else we had still refused to taste, and perished in our sin.

Pity the nations, O our God, constrain the earth to come; Send your victorious Word abroad, and bring the strangers home.

We long to see your churches full, that all the chosen race May, with one voice and heart and soul, sing your redeeming grace.

Words: Isaac Watts; Music: ST. COLUMBA, Irish melody. Public Domain.

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.

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder, he has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood
He has washed us with his blood, he has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord who bought us, pitied us when enemies Called us by his grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes He has washed us with his blood, he has washed us with his blood He has washed us with his blood, he presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation, threatens hard to bear us down For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqueror's crown He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood, He who washed us with his blood, soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder grace and justice, join and point to mercy's store When through grace in Christ our trust is, justice smiles and asks no more He who washed us with his blood, he who washed us with his blood He who washed us with his blood has secured our way to God

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high Here they trusted him before us, now their praises fill the sky Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou hast washed us with thy blood Thou hast washed us with thy blood, thou art worthy Lamb of God

"Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder," Words: John Newton, Public Domain; Music: Laura Taylor. © Laura Taylor Music. CCLI #3022711, #20579701, Song #5834479.

announcements	
** benediction	
** 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.

CHURCH LIFE | CPC

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.

welcome

Serving Communion today and worshiping with us is **Rick Box**. Rick has both preached for CPC and served Communion in the past. He was born and raised in Texas. In 1991, Rick and his family moved to Bogota, Colombia to join the Mission to the World church planting team. After 29 years of service, Rick retired from Mission to the World in 2020. If you have an opportunity, please greet Rick, and express our thanks for his service to us today.

sunday school

Sunday School is on break until July. Stay tuned for more information on the summer session. but mark your calendars for classes on **Sundays, July 7-28**.

NEWCOMERS' GATHERING | JUNE 2

Immediately following the worship service **Sunday, June 2**, we will be hosting a Newcomers' Gathering in the conference room across the hallway. This is an informal social event for visitors to meet the staff, some of the ordained officers, and each other as well as the chance to ask some questions. Light refreshments will be provided. This event normally goes for about 30 minutes, but it is come and go as you please.

ELEMENTARY KIDS | JUNE 7

Attention all of our 1st-5th graders! You are invited to join us for an end-of-the-semester celebration **Friday, June 7, 5-7p** in the church lobby. Come ready for games, music, a craft, a devotional teaching, pizza, ice cream, and tons of fun and fellowship with your friends! If you have any questions or would like more information, **contact Greg Shoup** (gs434387@gmail.com). We hope to see you there!

GET READY FOR "WHAT A MESS. VBS"

Things are about to get messy! Kids and parents, mark your calendars and start telling your friends about VBS this year. We will be holding it at the church, **Thursday, July 25 - Saturday, July 27**, for kids ages 4 to 5th grade. At "What A Mess, VBS" kids will learn about why this world can be such a mess, and what Jesus has done about it (Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8)! Kids will enjoy games, crafts, skits, songs, snacks, and lessons each day. **If you would like to volunteer and help, please let Korina Slabach** (kids@cpcgeorgetown.org) know or sign up at the Kids' check in area in the lobby. We can't wait to see you there!

2024 baby bottle fundraiser

Join us in supporting the work of the Pregnancy Help Center of Williamson County! 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 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).

CHURCH LIFE | CPC

thank you

A huge thank you to all that helped serve with the Hospitality team for the Farewell Luncheon for the Andersons last Sunday. MANY hands went into making sure that everyone was served and loved. We couldn't have done it without EVERY hand that contributed food, worked to get it all served, and assisted during several hours of setting up, cleaning up, and putting things back in order. A huge thank you to our team of deacons for getting us set up to eat so quickly and to each and every one who helped make the meal a success.