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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**

One thing have I asked of the LORD,  
that will I seek after:  
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD  
all the days of my life,  
to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD  
and to inquire in his temple.

For he will hide me in his shelter  
in the day of trouble;  
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;  
he will lift me high upon a rock.

And now my head shall be lifted up  
above my enemies all around me,  
and I will offer in his tent  
sacrifices with shouts of joy;  
I will sing and make melody to the LORD.

– Psalm 27:4-6 ESV

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**\*\* call to worship**

*Leader:* Blessed are you, O LORD, the God of Israel our father, forever and ever.

**All:** Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory  
and the majesty,

*Leader:* For all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours.

**All:** Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all.

– 1 Chronicles 29:10b-11 ESV

\*\* Please stand if you are able

## THIS IS MY FATHER'S WORLD

This is my Father's world, and to my listening ears,  
All nature sings, and round me rings the music of the spheres.  
This is my Father's world: I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas; his hand the wonders wrought.

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise,  
The morning light, the lily white, declare their Maker's praise.  
This is my Father's world: he shines in all that's fair;  
In the rustling grass I hear him pass, he speaks to me everywhere.

This is my Father's world. Oh, let me ne'er forget  
That though the wrong seems oft so strong, God is the ruler yet.  
This is my Father's world: the battle is not done;  
Jesus who died shall be satisfied, and earth and heaven be one.

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## \*\* prayer of invocation

*Leader:* O risen King, we rejoice in the redemption of your saints which you have accomplished. In your perfection and strength, you bore the wrath we deserve and conquered all our foes. In your love, you took the yoke of our slavery and removed its bondage over us. In your Spirit, you call us to remember your ceaseless mercies so that even when we begin to wander in the wilderness, you fulfill your promise of deliverance to bring victory in our lives. May your abiding presence be with us and may you reign in our hearts for all eternity. Amen.

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## \*\* affirmation of faith

*Leader:* What do you believe concerning the forgiveness of sins?

**All:** I believe that God, because of Christ's satisfaction, will no more remember my sins, nor my sinful nature, against which I have to struggle all my life, but he will graciously grant me the righteousness of Christ, that I may never come into condemnation.

— *Heidelberg Catechism*, Q&A 56

PSALM 23

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want  
He makes me lie in pastures green  
He leads me by the still, still waters  
His goodness restores my soul \*

*\* Chorus:*

And I will trust in you alone (I will trust, I will trust in you)  
And I will trust in you alone (I will trust, I will trust in you)  
For your endless mercy follows me  
Your goodness will lead me home

He guides my ways in righteousness  
And he anoints my head with oil  
And my cup, it overflows with joy  
I feast on his pure delights \*

And though I walk the darkest path  
I will not fear the evil one  
For you are with me and your rod and staff  
Are the comfort I need to know \*

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* If you, O LORD, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared.

– Psalm 130:3-4 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** **Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave,  
You shattered the power of the devil, sin, and death.  
Yet we confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear.  
We overlook the poor and the hungry and ignore the mourner.  
We close our ears to the cries of the oppressed.  
We refuse to be instruments of your peace in a world filled with strife.  
We look down upon those weaker than ourselves.  
Forgive us, God of true justice and mercy.  
Help us to trust in your power to change both us and this world,  
That all you call to yourself may know the joy of abundant life  
That comes from Jesus Christ, your crucified Son and our risen Lord. Amen.**

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* [Y]ou were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

– 1 Peter 1:18-19 ESV

**All:** **Thanks be to our God.**

## JESUS, I COME

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of my sickness into thy health; out of my wanting and into thy wealth,  
Out of my sin and into thyself, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the glorious gain of thy cross, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of earth's sorrows into thy balm; out of life's storms and into thy calm,  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of myself to dwell in thy love; out of despair into raptures above,  
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to thee.

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.  
Into the joy and light of thy home, Jesus, I come to thee.  
Out of the depths of ruin untold, into the peace of thy sheltering fold,  
Ever thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to thee.

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*Leader:* Isaiah 53:4-6  
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.*

**Sermon** | “Take Up Your Cross”**June 2, 2024**

**Matthew 16:24-26** ESV | 24 Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 25 For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. 26 For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world and forfeits his soul? Or what shall a man give in return for his soul?”

*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, be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.**

– Ephesians 5:1-2<sub>ESV</sub>

## 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.*

## THE LOVE OF GOD

The love of God is greater far than tongue or pen could ever tell;  
It goes beyond the highest star and reaches to the lowest hell.  
The guilty pair bowed down with care, God gave his Son to win;  
His erring child he reconciled and pardoned from his sin.

Could we with ink the ocean fill, and were the skies of parchment made;  
Were every stalk on earth a quill, and every man a scribe by trade;  
To write the love of God above would drain the ocean dry;  
Nor could the scroll contain the whole, though stretched from sky to sky. \*

*\* Chorus:*

Oh, love of God, how rich and pure! How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure, the saints' and angels' song.

When age-old time shall pass away, and earthly thrones and kingdoms fall;  
When men who here refuse to pray, on rocks and hills and mountains call;  
God's love, so sure, shall still endure, all measureless and strong;  
Redeeming grace to Adam's race – the saints' and angels' song. \*

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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.*

## O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

O Love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in thee;  
I give thee back the life I owe, that in thine ocean depths its flow  
May richer, fuller be.

O Light that followest all my way, I yield my flickering torch to thee;  
My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in thy sunshine's blaze its day  
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to thee;  
I trace the rainbow through the rain, and feel the promise is not vain,  
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head, I dare not ask to fly from thee;  
I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red –  
Life that shall endless be.

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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.

**welcome**

Worshiping with us and preaching today is **Rick Box**, who also served Communion for us last week. 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.

**children's worship break**

Parents, please note that there will be no children's worship on **Sunday, July 7**.

**NEWCOMERS' GATHERING | TODAY**

Immediately following the worship service, 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!

**LADIES' SUMMER BIBLE STUDY**

Ladies Summer Bible Study will begin **Wednesday, June 5, 930a**, and **Thursday, June 6, 7p**. Childcare is available by request for Wednesday mornings. **Please contact Jan Windsor** (jan.windsor@gmail.com) **to request childcare**. No childcare will be available on Thursday evening. We will meet for eight weeks (taking a break the week of July 4.) **If you need a book, please contact Suzanne Joffrion** (hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org). We will be studying the book of Hosea with a video series by Paula Miles put out by the PCA.

**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 years old to grade 5. 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. **You can register via the weekly newsletter or at [www.cpcgeorgetown.org](http://www.cpcgeorgetown.org)**. 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](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)).