
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

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.

– 1 John 1:5_{ESV}

**** call to worship**

Leader: Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.

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

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

All: **He has caused his wondrous works to be remembered; the LORD is gracious and merciful.**

– Psalm 111:1-4_{ESV}

THIS IS THE DAY

* *Chorus:*

This is the day that the Lord has made.

We will rejoice as we lift his name.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

Come and rejoice, we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Whether the sun will shine, whether the skies will rain,

I know that you are good and this is the day you made.

Whether in life or death, whether in joy or pain,

I know this truth remains that this is the day you made. *

Now I can walk by faith, you will protect direct my way.

Your every work is good and this is the day you made.

I am a child of yours, you are the One who saves.

I am redeemed by blood and this is the day you made. *

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** prayer of invocation

Leader: Father, you have declared the heavens to be your throne and the earth as your footstool; so we have gathered here that you might dwell with us and reign over our hearts. We pray that because of Jesus' life and self-sacrifice we would have a welcome place here. We ask in His name that we may truly sense your presence with us in this hour as we worship you today. Amen.

** affirmation of faith

Leader: And [Jesus] said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment.

All: And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

– Matthew 22:37-40_{ESV}

Leader: What does the law of God require?

All: Personal, perfect, and perpetual obedience; that we love God with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength; and love our neighbor as ourselves. What God forbids should never be done and what God commands should always be done.

– *New City Catechism*, Question 7

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: Return, O Israel, to the LORD your God, for you have stumbled because of your iniquity.

— Hosea 14:1 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: God of strength and power,
You have breathed life into us twice:
First as your creatures made in your divine image,
Second as Christians called to reflect and follow the Incarnate Son.
Yet we tire and lag in bodies beset by disorder, decay, and disease.
We are tempted to steal from the forbidden tree, again and again,
To take the shortcut, the switchback, the easy way out.
Forgive us these shortcomings—these sins.
Lead us evermore to embrace your will for our lives,
And to seek that of our own less and less.
May you be glorified in our obedience, in life and in death.
We pray in the name of your One and Only Son, whom you have sent,
Jesus Christ the righteous. Amen.

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

All: 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.

Leader: I believe that I shall look upon the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living!

All: Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!

— Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14 ESV

HIS MERCY IS MORE

What love could remember no wrongs we have done?
Omniscient, all-knowing, he counts not their sum.
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore,
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more. *

** Chorus:*

Praise the Lord, his mercy is more,
Stronger than darkness, new every morn.
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more.

What patience would wait as we constantly roam?
What father so tender is calling us home?
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor;
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more. *

What riches of kindness he lavished on us?
His blood was the payment; his life was the cost.
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford;
Our sins, they are many; his mercy is more. *

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vbs reflection

scripture reading

Leader: Job 13:13-18
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.**

reception of new members

CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP

Jim and Jan Ancmon
Eddie Clark
Kim Wright

VOWS FOR COMMUNING MEMBERS

All those who are joining the church as communing members for the first time, whether through baptism, profession of faith, reaffirmation of faith, or transfer of membership, must affirm the following vows:

1. Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?
2. Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?
3. Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?
4. Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?
5. Do you submit yourselves to the government and the discipline of the church and promise to study its purity and 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

DANIEL MCDOWELL

Series | “Philippians – Joy in the Lord”

Sermon | “Duty and Desire”

July 28, 2024

Philippians 1:18c-26 ^{ESV} | 18 Yes, and I will rejoice, 19 for I know that through your prayers and the help of the Spirit of Jesus Christ this will turn out for my deliverance, 20 as it is my eager expectation and hope that I will not be at all ashamed, but that with full courage now as always Christ will be honored in my body, whether by life or by death. 21 For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain. 22 If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me. Yet which I shall choose I cannot tell. 23 I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better. 24 But to remain in the flesh is more necessary on your account. 25 Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all, for your progress and joy in the faith, 26 so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus, because of my coming to you again.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

**** gospel charge**

Leader: Having heard the Word of the Lord, how should we respond?

All: [P]resent your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

– Romans 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. 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 he [Jesus] took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, “This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, “This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.”

– Luke 22:19-20 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, through these symbols of broken bread and poured out drink we remember the sacrifice of your Son Jesus Christ for us, his resurrection and ascension, and we look for his coming again in power and glory. Since you have ordained this supper to strengthen our faith, we pray that, by your Spirit and through our contemplation of his sacrifice, you would increase our faith and fellowship with both Jesus Christ and each other. And through our proclamation of the Lord’s death for us, as we partake, may we affirm our allegiance and fidelity to him as our Lord and reconfirm our commitment to following him, living in his light and loving our brothers as he loved us. 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: Take these symbols of Christ’s sacrifice in remembrance and proclamation that he died for you, and partake of them in faith and 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.

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

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**** offering & song of thanksgiving**

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.

GRACE GREATER THAN OUR SIN

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt;
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt. *

* *Chorus:*

Grace, grace, God's grace; grace that will pardon and cleanse within.
Grace, grace, God's grace; grace that is greater than all our sin!

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss;
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the refuge, the mighty cross! *

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace; freely bestowed on all who believe.
You that are longing to see his face, will you this moment his grace receive? *

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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.**

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

The summer Sunday school session concluded today. Classes will resume **September 8, 915a**. Enjoy the rest of the summer break!

WELCOME

Worshiping with us and serving Communion today is Rev. John Weller. John preached last Sunday, is a Teaching Elder in the South Texas Presbytery, and currently serves as a hospital chaplain. Previously, John was Assistant Pastor at Christ the King PCA in Austin. He and Natalie Weller have four grown children. If you have opportunity, please greet John and Natalie, and express our thanks to John for his service to CPC this week.

COLLEGE AND YOUNG PROFESSIONALS FELLOWSHIP | TODAY

Following worship service **today**, we will be offering lunch for college students and young professionals from **1230p-230p**. Come to the Mortons' home for a time of food, fellowship, and prayer together. Talk to **Daniel McDowell** (daniel@cpcgeorgetown.org) for more information.

CPC CONNECT

CPC Connect is a community building dinner program intended to help the CPC family connect to one another, get to know more about others in the church community, and help welcome our visitors. It's a great way to get to know and fellowship with people you might never spend an evening with otherwise! Pick up a flyer in the lobby to sign up.

vbs appreciation

We want to give a sincere thank you to every person who donated, volunteered and prayed for VBS this past week! We had 40 kids participate and hear the gospel that was woven into the lessons and activities and then explicitly the last day. "For God is not unjust so as to overlook your work and the love that you have shown for his name in serving the saints, as you still do." (Hebrews 6:10) Thank you!