
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

He who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.

– Philippians 1:6_{ESV}

**** call to worship**

Leader: There is none like you among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like yours.

All: **All the nations you have made shall come and worship before you, O Lord, and shall glorify your name.**

Leader: For you are great and do wondrous things; you alone are God.

All: **Teach me your way, O LORD, that I may walk in your truth; unite my heart to fear your name.**

Leader: I give thanks to you, O Lord my God, with my whole heart

All: **And I will glorify your name forever.**

– Psalm 86:8-12_{ESV}

** Please stand if you are able

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

Immortal, invisible, God only wise, in light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unchanging, and silent as light, nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.

To all life thou givest, to both great and small; in all life thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish – but naught changeth thee.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee.

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**** prayer of invocation**

Leader: God of light and truth, you are beyond our conception or grasp. With reverence and love, we acclaim your glory and sing your praise. For you have shown us your truth and love in Jesus Christ, our Savior. By the power of your Spirit, move us from darkness to light, from sin to new life. May your light shine within us as we worship this day, and every day. This we pray in the name of the Word made flesh, the light which is the light of all people: Jesus Christ. Amen.

** affirmation of faith

Leader: But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation,

All: A people for his own possession, that we may proclaim the excellencies of him who called us out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once we were not a people, but now we are God's people; once we had not received mercy, but now we have received mercy.

— Based on 1 Peter 2:9-10_{ESV}

Leader: Since we are redeemed by grace alone, through Christ alone, must we still do good works and obey God's Word?

All: Yes, because Christ, having redeemed us by his blood, also renews us by his Spirit; so that our lives may show love and gratitude to God; so that we may be assured of our faith by the fruits; and so that by our godly behavior others may be won to Christ.

— *New City Catechism*, Q&A 34

** hymn of praise

WONDERFUL, MERCIFUL SAVIOR

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men
Oh, you rescue the souls of men.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way
Oh, we've hopelessly lost the way. *

* *Chorus:*

You are the One that we praise. You are the One we adore.
You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for
Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving your own
Here in our weakness you find us, falling before your throne
Oh, we're falling before your throne. *

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: O LORD, who shall sojourn in your tent? Who shall dwell on your holy hill? He who walks blamelessly and does what is right and speaks truth in his heart; who does not slander with his tongue and does no evil to his neighbor, nor takes up a reproach against his friend; he who does these things shall never be moved.

– Adapted from Psalm 15:1-5 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: Father in Heaven, forgive my sins.

Forgive the sins that I remember and the sins I have forgotten.

Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation

And those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction.

Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements

And those when I have failed to boast in your works.

Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others

And the leniency I have shown myself.

Forgive the lies I have told to others

And the truths I have avoided.

Forgive the pain I have caused others

And the indulgence I have shown myself.

In Jesus' Name, have mercy on me and make me whole. Amen.

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost.

– 1 Timothy 1:15 ESV

All: Thanks be to God.

COME, YE SINNERS

Come, ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity, joined with power.
He is able, he is able; he is willing; doubt no more.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall;
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.

Let not conscience make you linger, nor of fitness fondly dream;
All the fitness he requires is to feel your need of him.
This he gives you, this he gives you, 'tis the Spirit's rising beam.

Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of his blood.
Venture on him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus, can do helpless sinners good.

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Leader: Romans 8:18-28
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. 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 | “The High Calling of Your Daily Work”

Sermon | “The Pain of Work”

August 20, 2023

Genesis 3:16-24 ESV | 16 To the woman he said,

“I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing;
in pain you shall bring forth children.

Your desire shall be contrary to your husband,
but he shall rule over you.”

17 And to Adam he said,

“Because you have listened to the voice of your wife
and have eaten of the tree

of which I commanded you,

‘You shall not eat of it,’

cursed is the ground because of you;

in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;

18 thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;

and you shall eat the plants of the field.

19 By the sweat of your face

you shall eat bread,

till you return to the ground,

for out of it you were taken;

for you are dust,

and to dust you shall return.”

20 The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. 21 And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

22 Then the LORD God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever —” 23 therefore the LORD God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken.

24 He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

**** gospel charge**

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

All: Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving each other. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony.

– Adapted from Colossians 3:12-14_{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 hymns.

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.

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

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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'TIS SO SWEET TO TRUST IN JESUS

'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus, just to take him at his word,
Just to rest upon his promise, just to know, "Thus says the Lord." *

** Chorus:*

Jesus, Jesus, how I trust him! How I've proved him o'er and o'er!
Jesus, Jesus, precious Jesus! Oh, for grace to trust him more.

Oh, how sweet to trust in Jesus, just to trust his cleansing blood,
And in simple faith to plunge me 'neath the healing, cleansing flood. *

Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus, just from sin and self to cease,
Just from Jesus simply taking life and rest and joy and peace. *

I'm so glad I learned to trust thee, precious Jesus, Savior, friend;
And I know that he is with me, will be with me to the end. *

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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.

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice on my behalf appears.
Before the throne my surety stands, before the throne my surety stands;
My name is written on his hands. *

** Chorus:*

Arise (arise), arise (arise), Arise, arise my soul, arise. (x2)
Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;
His all-redeeming love, his precious blood to plead.
His blood atoned for every race, his blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. *

Five bleeding wounds he bears, received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me.
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry;
"Let not that ransomed sinner die!" *

My God is reconciled; his pardoning voice I hear.
He owns me for his child; I can no longer fear.
With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba Father," cry. *

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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 visitor section in the attendance pad when it circulates.

after-service cleanup

Parents, we encourage the children to play and have fun after service; however, please be mindful of any toys/messes made in the classrooms and on the back patio. Any help cleaning up after service is appreciated!

INTRO TO CPC

We will be offering a membership class on **August 27 and September 10 at 4p** at the church. This is a wonderful time to learn more about CPC, our denomination, beliefs, ministry philosophy, and where you might fit in and serve. If you are interested in membership or just learning more about our church, **please contact the office** (office@cpcgeorgetown.org), **Whit** (whit@cpcgeorgetown.org), **Daniel** (daniel@cpcgeorgetown.org), **or any elder** to let us know. The deadline to register is **Monday, August 21**.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VOLUNTEER MEETING | AUGUST 26

If you are a current volunteer, or interested in joining CPC's Children's Ministry Team, we would like to invite you to our bi-annual volunteer meeting, **Saturday, Aug 26, 10a-12p**. Join us for coffee and a light brunch as we spend time in fellowship and prayer. We will be looking at our vision, policies, and schedules for the coming year! (We will have a few raffles and giveaways you don't want to miss out on!) Also, if you are a parent or visitor of a child participating in our children's ministry and would simply like more information about what's happening in children's ministry, you are more than welcome to join us as well!

back to school drive

The Caring Place is running a Back to School Children's Clothing Voucher Program. With an ever-increasing demand for help from those in need in our community, TCP is needing to increase the inventory of school-age (K-12) children's clothes and shoes. The CPC Children's and Youth ministries will be collecting gently used clothing and shoes to donate from **Sunday, August 6, through Sunday, September 3**. You can bring your items directly to The Caring Place (2000 Railroad Ave) or place them in the collection bin in the lobby. This is a great opportunity for our kids to participate in helping those in need. If you are in need of taking advantage of this program, the application period is Monday, August 7 to Friday, August 18. Full details of the voucher program can be found at caringplacetx.org/gethelp.

member directory & email newsletter

If you are not listed in our directory and would like to be or are not receiving our weekly email newsletter, **please email Adrienne Herron** (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org) to be added.

announcements

If you have an announcement for the bulletin or email newsletter, **please submit your short blurb to Adrienne Herron** (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org) in the office. All submissions are due no later than Monday, 9p to be included in the current week's announcements. Any received after that will be held over for the next week.