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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**

REV. DEAN WILLIAMS

The LORD reigns; he is robed in majesty;  
the LORD is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.  
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.  
Your throne is established from of old;  
you are from everlasting.

– Psalm 93:1-2<sub>ESV</sub>

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**\*\* call to worship**

RULING ELDER JONATHAN WELLS

*Leader:* All your works shall give thanks to you, O LORD,  
and all your saints shall bless you!

**All:** They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom  
and tell of your power, to make known to the  
children of man your mighty deeds,  
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.  
Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,  
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

– Psalm 145:10-13<sub>ESV</sub>

\*\* Please stand if you are able

## COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

♯ D A<sup>7</sup> D A D G D A<sup>7</sup> D

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;  
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

A<sup>7</sup> D A D G D A<sup>7</sup> D

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

A<sup>7</sup> D G D A<sup>7</sup> D G D

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;  
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:  
 Prone to wan - der—Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

A<sup>7</sup> D A D G D A<sup>7</sup> D

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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**\*\* prayer of invocation**

REV. WILLIAMS

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**\*\* affirmation of faith**

*Leader:* Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

**All:** **The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.**

*Leader:* How did Christ, being the Son of God, become man?

**All:** **Christ, the Son of God, became man, by taking to himself a true body, and a reasonable soul, being conceived by the power of the Holy Ghost, in the womb of the Virgin Mary, and born of her, yet without sin.**

– *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*, Questions 21-22

COME, YE SINNERS



1. Come ye sin - ners, poor and wretch-ed, weak and wound-ed,  
 2. Come ye wea - ry, heav - y la - den, bruised and bro - ken  
 3. Let not con-science make you lin - ger, nor of fit - ness  
 4. Lo! The in-car - nate God, as - cend - ed; pleads the mer - it



sick and sore. Je - sus, read-y stands to save you,  
 by the fall. If you tar-ry till you're bet - ter,  
 fond - ly dream. All the fit-ness he re - quir - es  
 of his blood. Ven-ture on him; ven - ture whol - ly,



full of pit - y joined with pow'r. He is a - ble,  
 you will nev - er come at all. Not the right-eous,  
 is to feel your need of him. This he gives you,  
 let no oth - er trust in - trude. None but Je - sus,



he is a - ble; he is will - ing doubt no more.  
 not the right eous; sin-ners Je - sus came to call.  
 this he gives you 'tis the Spir - it's ris - ing beam.  
 none but Je - sus can do help-less sin-ners good.

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* Behold, you have sinned against the LORD, and be sure your sin will find you out.

– Numbers 32:23b ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** **Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto you that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are guilty of much sin and transgression. We do not fully believe your Word as we ought to, nor do we with sincere hearts, follow your holy commandments. Remember your goodness, we beseech you, and for your name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity. Amen.**

– Martin Bucer

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* But the words “it was counted to him” were not written for his sake alone, but for ours also.

**All:** **[Righteousness] will be counted to us who believe in him who raised from the dead Jesus our Lord, who was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.**

– Romans 4:23-25 ESV

# JESUS, STRONG AND KIND



1. Je - sus said that if I thirst I should come to him.  
2. Je - sus said if I am weak, I should come to him.  
3. Je - sus said that if I fear, I should come to him.  
4. Je - sus said if I am lost, he will come to me.



No one else can sat - is - fy, I should come to him.  
No one else can be my strength, I should come to him. For the  
No one else can be my shield, I should come to him.  
And he showed me on that cross, he will come to me.



Lord is good and faith - ful. He will keep us day and night. We can



al - ways run to Je - sus. Je - sus, strong and kind.

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## scripture reading

REV. DR. DANIEL J. MCDOWELL

*Leader:* Romans 3:9-20  
This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** Thanks be to God!

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## prayer

RULING ELDER WELLS

*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.

**Candidates for baptism** | Aaron Barnabas Kinley

Asher James Kinley

Cyrus Brooks Schell

**Matthew 28:18-20** <sup>ESV</sup> | And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

**Romans 6:4-5** <sup>ESV</sup> | We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his.

### QUESTIONS FOR PARENTS OF AN INFANTS AND CHILDREN

1. Do you acknowledge your children’s need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?
2. Do you claim God’s covenant promises on their behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for their salvation, as you do for your own?
3. Do you now unreservedly dedicate your children to God, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before them a godly example, that you will pray with and for them, that you will teach them the doctrines of our holy religion, and that you will strive, by all the means of God’s appointment, to bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?

### QUESTION FOR THE CONGREGATION \*\*

Do you as a congregation undertake the responsibility of assisting these parents in the Christian nurture of these children?

*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.*

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**sermon**

REV. WILLIAMS

**Sermon | “A Purpose Driven Guardian”**

**September 14, 2025**

**Galatians 3:19-25** ESV | **19** Why then the law? It was added because of transgressions, until the offspring should come to whom the promise had been made, and it was put in place through angels by an intermediary. **20** Now an intermediary implies more than one, but God is one.

**21** Is the law then contrary to the promises of God? Certainly not! For if a law had been given that could give life, then righteousness would indeed be by the law. **22** But the Scripture imprisoned everything under sin, so that the promise by faith in Jesus Christ might be given to those who believe.

**23** Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. **24** So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. **25** But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian[.]

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

**All: Thanks be to God!**

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**\*\* gospel charge**

RULING ELDER WELLS

*Leader:* Saints of the Lord, in view of what we have heard from his Word, how ought we conduct ourselves?

**All:** For freedom Christ has set us free; stand firm therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

– Galatians 5:1<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.*

**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

The Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

– 1 Corinthians 11:23b-26 ESV

*Minister:* Lift up your hearts.

**All:** We lift them up to the Lord.

*Minister:* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

**All:** It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Minister:* Let us pray.

*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 and the instrumentals are played, please use the opportunity to contemplate Christ's giving himself for you and consider how you might respond to the lovingkindness expressed by the King of Kings through his selfless sacrifice.*

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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.*

### PRAISE THE SAVIOR, NOW AND EVER

1. Praise the Sav - ior now and ev - er; praise him, all be -  
2. Man's work fail - eth, Christ's a - vail - eth; he is all our  
3. Sin's bond sev - ered, we're de - liv - ered; Christ has bruised the  
4. For his fa - vor, praise for - ev - er un - to God the

neath the skies; pros - trate ly - ing suf - f'ring, dy - ing  
righ - teous - ness; he, our Sav - ior has for - ev - er  
ser - pent's head; death no lon - ger is the strong - er  
Fa - ther sing; praise the Sav - ior, praise him ev - er,

on the cross, a sac - ri - fice. Vic - t'ry gain - ing  
set us free from dire dis - tress. Through his mer - it  
hell it - self is cap - tive led. Christ has ris - en  
Son of God, our Lord and King. Praise the Spir - it;

life ob - tain - ing now in glo - ry he doth rise.  
we in - her - it light and peace and hap - pi - ness.  
from death's pris - on; o'er the tomb he light has shed.  
through Christ's mer - it he doth us sal - va - tion bring.

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# announcements

REV. WILLIAMS

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## \*\* benediction

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## \*\* doxology

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all  
crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye heav'n - ly host:  
praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

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**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.

**get involved**

Meaningful involvement is the best way to build relationships and connect to a church. If you want to go deeper and find out more, **please contact our church office** (office@cpcgeorgetown.org).

**PRAYER MEETING | TUESDAY**

Please join us for the monthly prayer meeting **Tuesday, September 16, 12p** in the youth room. **Email Larry Lorimor** (prayer@cpcgeorgetown) for prayer requests. Scan the QR to join the Zoom meeting. All are welcome to join.

**FALL WOMEN'S COFFEE FELLOWSHIP | OCTOBER 4**

The CPC Women's Ministry warmly invites you to a special morning of connection and encouragement on **Saturday, October 4, 930-1130a**. We're kicking off the fall season with coffee, tea, and light refreshments as we gather around the theme: "A Harvest of God's Blessings." You can look forward to meaningful conversation at the tables, a short Bible study, ministry updates, and an inspiring message from our guest speaker. It's a great opportunity to reconnect, meet new faces, and start the season refreshed. We can't wait to gather with you! Scan the QR code to sign up! (Please note: **Childcare is available by reservation — please submit your request by September 27 using the QR code.**) Want to serve? We'd love your help with decorating, leading a table discussion, or cleanup.

**NEW MISSIONARIES SUPPORTED BY CPC**

CPC is excited to begin supporting Tim Eunike and Yuki Bentson, missionaries serving in Osaka, Japan, through the Reformed ministry *International Xchange Organization*. Their ministry focuses on evangelism, teaching, and discipleship, with the ultimate goal of planting a church in Osaka as part of the Seibu Presbytery. Japan remains one of the least-reached nations in the world. Please join us in praying that God would open hearts and minds in Osaka to receive the gospel as Tim and Yuki faithfully share the hope of Christ.

**fall sunday school is back**

Sunday School classes are back in session! Everyone is warmly encouraged to participate. Come early, grab a cup of coffee, and join in as we dive into God's Word together. It is vital for God's people to be regularly immersed in Scripture. Consistent exposure to His Word helps plant truth in our minds and hearts, making us ready for the Holy Spirit to teach, guide, and convict us. Let's grow together in faith this fall—see you there! **To view class descriptions visit <https://www.cpcgeorgetown.org/adult-sunday-school>.**

**let's keep it safe and sound**

We love seeing our church buzzing with young energy — what a blessing! But just a quick reminder to our wonderful parents: please help your little ones walk (not run) and use indoor voices while inside. We've got some precious seniors among us, and we'd like to keep everyone upright and smiling! Thanks for keeping our church a safe and joyful place for all.

**church directory**

Did you know that CPC has a pictorial directory to help us get to know one another and reach out to each other? We would love to include you! However, we are missing many pictures. If you would like to be included, **please contact Adrienne Herron** (adrienne@cpcgeorgetown.org) in the office for more information.

**weekly financial snapshot**

Thank you for faithfully giving to the Lord!

**General Fund Weekly Giving**

Budgeted weekly average	\$16,521
Last week (9.7.25)	\$28,731



Scan here for online offerings

**Fiscal Year thru Last Month (July through August)**

<b>General Fund</b>	
Giving	\$139,745
Expenditures	\$122,835
<b>Debt Reduction Fund</b>	
Last month's giving	\$27,105
FYTD mortgage principal reduction	\$6,590
<b>Building Fund</b>	
Giving	\$3,345
Applied to mortgage P&I	\$22,959
Balance	\$763,941
<b>Mortgage Balance</b>	\$2,791,032