
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

REV. DEAN WILLIAMS

Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and all that is within me,
bless his holy name!
Bless the LORD, O my soul,
and forget not all his benefits[.]

– Psalm 103:1-2_{ESV}

**** call to worship**

REV. DR. DANIEL J. MCDOWELL

Leader: You who seek God, let your hearts revive.

All: **For the LORD hears the needy and does not despise his own people. Let heaven and earth praise him, the seas and everything that move in them.**

– From Psalm 69:32-34_{ESV}

PRAISE HIM! PRAISE HIM!

1. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
 2. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!
 3. Praise him! praise him! Je - sus, our bless - ed Re - deem - er!

Sing, O earth, his won - der - ful love pro - claim!
 For our sins he suf - fered and bled and died;
 Heav'n - ly por - tals loud with ho - san - nas ring!

Hail him! hail him! high - est arch - an - gels in glo - ry;
 he our Rock, our hope of e - ter - nal sal - va - tion,
 Je - sus, Sav - ior, reign - eth for - ev - er and ev - er;

strength and hon - or give to his ho - ly name!
 hail him! hail him! Je - sus the Cru - ci - fied.
 crown him! crown him! Proph - et and Priest and King!

D G D D⁷ G D⁷ G D

Like a shep - herd, Je - sus will guard his chil - dren,
 Sound his prais - es! Je - sus who bore our sor - rows,
 Christ is com - ing! o - ver the world vic - to - rious,

G Em A⁷ D

in his arms he car - ries them all day long:
 love un - bound - ed, won - der - ful, deep, and strong:
 pow'r and glo - ry un - to the Lord be - long:

REFRAIN G C G

Praise him! praise him! tell of his ex - cel - lent great - ness;

G⁷ C Am G D⁷ G 7

praise him! praise him! ev - er in joy - ful song!

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** prayer of invocation

REV. DR. MCDOWELL

** affirmation of faith

Leader: How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

All: Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering up of himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God; and in making continual intercession for us.

Leader: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

All: Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling, and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

– *The Westminster Shorter Catechism*, Questions 25-26

TO GOD BE THE GLORY

The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'To God Be the Glory'. It consists of seven staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is in 3/4 time. The lyrics are: 'To God be the glory, great things he has done! O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood! Great things he has taught us, Great things he has done, So loved he the world that he gave us his Son; To every believer the promise of God; and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son; who yielded his life an atonement for sin, the vilest of offenders who truly believes, but purer and higher and greater will be and opened the life gate that we may go in. that moment from Jesus a pardon receives. our wonder, our transport when Jesus we see. Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father through Jesus the Son, and give him the glory; great things he has done!'

To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done!
 O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood!
 Great things he has taught us, Great things he has done,
 So loved he the world that he gave us his Son;
 To ev - 'ry be - lie - ver the pro - mise of God;
 and great our re - joic - ing through Je - sus the Son;
 who yield - ed his life an a - tone - ment for sin,
 the vil - est of - fen - der who tru - ly be - lieves,
 but pur - er and high - er and great - er will be
 and o - pened the life gate that we may go in.
 that mo - ment from Je - sus a par - don re - ceives.
 our won - der, our trans - port when Je - sus we see.
 Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord!
 Praise the Lord! Let the peo - ple re - joice! O come to the Fa - ther through
 Je - sus the Son, and give him the glo - ry; great things he has done!

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: The LORD is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.

– Psalm 34:18^{ESV}

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: Holy God, you said that you are the Light of the World, yet we still refuse to let you into the darkest place of our lives. You said that you are the Good Shepherd, but we fail to follow where you lead. We are sheep that have gone astray. You said that you are the Bread of Life, but we seek out other things to satisfy us. You said the you are the Way, but we often make our own paths. You said that you are the Truth, but we find ways to deceive ourselves and others. You said that you are Life. Forgive us and help us to embrace the mercy, forgiveness, and grace that you offer us so that we can have an abundant life with you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

– From a 2016 liturgy of Memorial Drive Presbyterian Church

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

All: And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

– 2 Corinthians 3:17-18^{ESV}

Leader: Christian, you are free in Christ. Rest in the freedom of his forgiveness.

All: Amen!

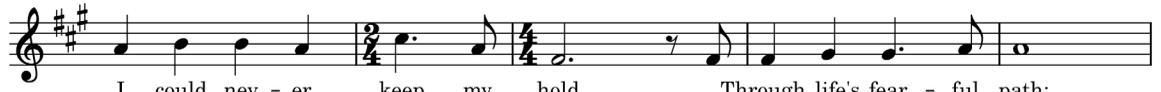
HE WILL HOLD ME FAST



When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast;
 Those he saves are his de - light, Christ will hold me fast;
 For my life he bled and died, Christ will hold me fast;



When the tempt - er would pre - vail, He will hold me fast.
 Pre - cious in his ho - ly sight, He will hold me fast.
 Jus - tice has been sat - is - fied; He will hold me fast.



I could nev - er keep my hold Through life's fear - ful path;
 He'll not let my soul be lost; His Prom - is - es shall last;
 Raised with him to end - less life, He will hold me fast



For my love is of - ten cold; He must hold me fast.
 Bought by him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.
 'Til our faith is turned to sight, When he comes at last!



He will hold me fast, he will hold me fast;



For my Sav - ior loves me so, he will hold me fast.

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scripture reading

REV. DR. MCDOWELL

Leader: 1 John 3:1-2
This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God!

prayer

RULING ELDER SHAWN HORRALL

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.

Sermon | “From Slaves to Sons and Heirs”**September 28, 2025**

Galatians 4:1-7 ^{ESV} | 1 I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no different from a slave, though he is the owner of everything, 2 but he is under guardians and managers until the date set by his father. 3 In the same way we also, when we were children, were enslaved to the elementary principles of the world. 4 But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, 5 to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. 6 And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” 7 So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God!**

**** gospel charge**

RULING ELDER HORRALL

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

All: Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

– Hebrews 12:28-29_{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.

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

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: 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 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.

**** 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.

ALL MUST BE WELL



1. Through the love of God our Sav - ior, all will be well.
2. Though we pass through trib - u - la - tion, all will be well.
3. We ex - pect a bright to - mor - row, all will be well.



Free and change-less is his fa - vor, all is well.
Ours is such a full sal - va - tion, all is well
Faith can sing through days of sor - row, all is well.



Pre-cious is the blood that healed us, Per-fect is the grace that sealed us,
Hap-py still in God con - fid - ing, Fruit-ful if in Christ a - bid - ing,
(On our Fa-ther's love re - ly - ing, Je-sus ev-'ry need sup - ply - ing,



Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us, all must be well.
Stead-fast through the Spir - it's guid - ing, all must be well.
Yes in liv - ing or in dy - ing, all must be well.) x2

announcements

REV. WILLIAMS

** benediction

** 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.



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). If you are looking for a place to serve in the church scan the QR code and sign up for the areas you are interested in.

get involved

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!** Want to serve? We'd love your help with decorating, leading a table discussion, or cleanup.



MEN'S BBQ AND RANGE FELLOWSHIP | OCTOBER 25

Men of all ages - Come join us for a day of fellowship at David Moore's M&M ranch **Saturday, October 25, 10a-2p!** There will be great food and men doing manly things. Come anytime and stay as long as you can! Fathers, bring your sons. This is a GREAT event to invite your neighbors, coworkers, and friends to fellowship. **RSVP to the evite or email James Schell** (men@cpcgeorgetown.org).

FALL PICNIC | OCTOBER 26

Please plan to join us immediately after our worship service on **Sunday, October 26** for our annual fall picnic! We are planning lots of food and fun! Sign up sheets are coming soon! **Contact Suzanne Joffrion** (hospitality@cpcgeorgetown.org) with questions or to sign up to help organize.

women's ministry leadership training conference



PCA-CDM Women's Ministry Leadership Training Conference is coming **March 5-7, 2026**, in Atlanta, Georgia. The Theme is: *Clay-Like Calling: God's Glory in our Weakness*. For more information on this 2026 conference, please **contact Nicole Mardian** (womensministry@cpcgeorgetown.org) or scan the QR code.

fall sunday school is in session

Classes are Sundays, 915a! 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 our website, www.cpcgeorgetown.org.**

missionaries & ministries we support

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- John & Kathy Clow | MTW—Central America
- Tim Eunike and Yuki Bentson | International Xchange Organization—Osaka, Japan
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- Gama & Grace Pozos | Isaiah 55 Ministries (MTW)—McAllen, Texas
- Wilco Women's Center
- Marcus & Heather Rudd | Isaiah 55 Ministries (MTW)—Reynosa, Mexico
- Reach South Texas (Church Planting Network)
- South Texas Presbytery (PCA)
- Prison Ministry
- The Caring Place
- Dan & Becky Young | MTW—North Mexico/Texas Border
- Young Life Georgetown
- Ian Hammond & Molly Basse | Reformed University Fellowship - International at University of Texas

weekly financial snapshot

Thank you for faithfully giving to the Lord!

General Fund Weekly Giving

Budgeted weekly average	\$16,521
Last week (9.21.25)	\$19,956



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Fiscal Year thru Last Month (July through August)

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