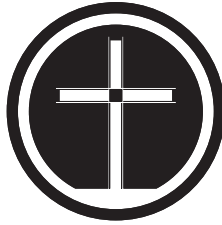


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March 29, 2026

Palm Sunday



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Prelude

All Glory, Laud, and Honor by Mark Hayes, arr. By Marvin Gaspard

Welcome

To all who are weary and need rest;
To all who mourn and long for comfort;
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares;
To all who fail and desire strength;
To all who sin and need a Savior;
To all who hunger and thirst for righteousness;
And to whoever will come—
This church opens wide her doors and offers her welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Call to Worship

Zechariah 9:9

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem!
Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

Let us worship Christ our King together!

Hymn of Praise

All Glory
Laud and Honor

All glory laud and honor
To thee Redeemer King
To whom the lips of children
Made sweet hosannas ring
Thou art the King of Israel
Thou David's royal Son
Who in the Lord's name comest
The King and Blessed One

The company of angels
Are praising thee on high
And mortal men and all things
Created make reply
The people of the Hebrews
With palms before thee went
Our praise and prayer and anthems
Before thee we present

To thee before thy passion
They sang their hymns of praise
To thee now high exalted
Our melody we raise
Thou didst accept their praises
Accept the praise we bring
Who in all good delightest
Thou good and gracious King

Words: Theodulph, ca. 820; tr. J.M. Neale, 1854

Music: Melchoir Teschner, 1619; harm. J.S. Bach, 1724

(11:00)
Children's Choir
Psalm 24:7-10

Lift up your heads, O gates!
And be lifted up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle!
Lift up your heads, O gates!
And lift them up, O ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.
Who is this King of glory?
The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory!

The People
Shout Hosanna

<i>Chorus</i>	
<i>The people shout, "Hosanna"</i>	Passing by he looks at me
<i>Jesus, Son of God</i>	With love beyond compare
<i>The people shout, "Hosanna"</i>	He gave his life, opened Paradise
<i>Come and save us all</i>	And I will see him there
Where's the chariot for this king	So I will shout, "Hosanna"
Where's the crown of gold	Jesus, Son of God
Does this valiant warrior ride	I will shout, "Hosanna"
A stallion tall and bold	Come and save us all
<i>Chorus</i>	So I will shout, "Hosanna"
Who is this the people praise	Jesus, Son of God
A humble man I see	I will shout, "Hosanna"
A donkey for his chariot	Come and save us all
Surely, this can't be	
<i>Chorus</i>	

Invocation

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning
Is now and ever shall be
World without end Amen Amen

Words: Traditional 2nd Century

Music: Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

Affirmation of Faith

Selected verses
from Romans 5

Leader: What do we believe about the salvation accomplished for us by Jesus Christ, the second Adam?

People: **God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.**

Leader: Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

People: **More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.**

Leader: Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—but the free gift is not like the trespass.

All: **For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.**

Hymn

Psalm 67, May the
Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night
Into your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

Chorus

*May the peoples praise you
Let the nations be glad
All your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the name of Jesus*

All the earth is yours and all within
Each harvest is your own
And from your hand we give to you
To make Christ known

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread your Word

Chorus

This our holy priv'lege to declare
Your praises and your name
To every nation tribe and tongue
Your church proclaim

Chorus

Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise your glorious name

Chorus 2x

*Words & Music: Ed Cash, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend, David
Zimmer, 2016*

**Call to
Confession**

1 John 1:8-10

Leader: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

**Public
Confession**

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Our God in heaven, if you should mark iniquities, who could stand? We know that if we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. Not one of us does good, no, not one. We have stiffened our necks against your will, hardened our hearts to your Word, refused to hear your voice, pulled away from your loving embrace, despised correction, and forgotten you in our thoughts. Yes, we have sinned against you. Father, we repent. We come to Christ, who has promised rest for our souls. We take his yoke upon us. We desire to learn from him. Grant that we may bring forth the fruits of repentance from sincere hearts, which are precious in your sight. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

Romans 8:1

Leader: There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Hear and receive the good news of the gospel: in Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God!

(8:30)

Pastoral Prayer

(11:00)

**Reception of
New Members
and Sacrament
of Baptism**

Elaine Winston Smith
Zephania Borneo

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offering

The Lord
Almighty Reigns

There's an endless song
Waiting to be sung
With the voice of every tribe
The sound of every tongue

When the bride of Christ
On that day of days
Brings with joy unto the Lamb
A multitude of praise

Like the roar of mighty seas
And rolls of thunder
Hear his people sing

Chorus
Hallelujah hallelujah
For the Lord Almighty reigns
Hallelujah hallelujah
For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns

We will join the feast
Rest from battles won
Tell with great rejoicing
All the wonders God has done

And like the roar of mighty seas
And rolls of thunder
All the church will sing

Chorus

Certain of that day
Christ we will proclaim
Oh that more would share the prize
Salvation in his name

Then greater will the anthem ring
A mighty chorus rising to the King

Chorus 2x

Words & Music: Matt Boswell, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Matt Papa, 2022

The Doxology

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

Words: Thomas Ken, 1709

Music: Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, 1551

Prayer of Dedication

Sermon

“One More Test”

Genesis 44

Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Hymn

Lift Up Your Heads,
Ye Mighty Gates

Lift up your heads ye mighty gates
Behold the King of glory waits
The King of kings is drawing near
The Savior of the world is here

A helper just he comes to thee
His chariot is humility
His kingly crown is holiness
His scepter pity in distress

O blest the land the city blest
Where Christ the Ruler is confessed
O happy hearts and happy homes
To whom this King in triumph comes

Fling wide the portals of your heart
Make it a temple set apart
From earthly use for heav'n's employ
Adorned with prayer and love and joy

Words: Georg Weissel, 1642; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1855

Music: Psalmodia Evangelica, 1789

Benediction

Postlude

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Hosanna, Loud Hosanna by Humphrey Turner

Announcements

Palm Sunday Picnic Today

Bring your family and friends and join us for a church picnic today at the conclusion of the 11 am worship service! We will enjoy delicious food and fellowship. Children will enjoy an egg hunt and fun family games.

Easter Lilies

You are invited to donate Easter lilies to enhance our Sanctuary. Our lily purchases contribute to The Brookwood Community, whose citizens plant, care for, and help with delivery. Donors' names and messages will appear in a special Easter bulletin insert. Lilies will be yours to take home after the 11 am Easter worship service. Sign up at cpchouston.org/easter by tomorrow, March 30.

Women's Retreat April 17-19

Ladies, register today for our Women's Retreat at Camp Allen April 17-19! Join us as we study and discuss the Word of God, deepen friendships, and enjoy some rest and relaxation. Our guest speaker, Kerry Anderson, will speak on "Equipped for CALM: Self-Control through Biblical Discernment and Grace in Action," from our theme verse: 2 Tim 1:7. Sign up by April 1 at cpchouston.org/retreat.

Missions Weekend April 24-26

Join us for Missions Weekend Friday evening, April 24, through Sunday morning, April 26. We will share food, fellowship, service, messages from our guest speaker, Rev. Dr. Ben Kappers, and more! Register for Friday evening or the Saturday morning service project for students, parents, and young adults online at cpchouston.org/missions2026.

Family Ministry Crawfish Boil May 3

Families, you are invited to CPC's Family Ministry Crawfish Boil on Sunday, May 3, 12:30-2 pm! Enjoy crawfish, sides, and fellowship with friends at the home of Richard and Alicia Harris. Students and children are invited to stay at CPC for a fellowship lunch and activities while the adults head over to the Harris's home! RSVP online at cpchouston.org/crawfish.

Vacation Bible School June 9-12

Mark your calendar for VBS June 9-12, 9 am to 12 pm! We invite rising kindergarteners through fifth graders to join us for an exciting week filled with Bible lessons, games, crafts, and fellowship with old and new friends! Register campers and volunteers online at cpchouston.org/VBS.

JOY Group (Just Older Youth)

Calling all 55+ members! Save the date for our JOY (Just Older Youth) group day trip to Schulenburg on April 21 to see the painted churches. Details and registration to follow. If you would like to help us get organized, please contact Cindy Meeh at cbmeeh@gmail.com.

Announcements

Benefit Concert April 10 & 11

Rosario Ramos, a member of the CPC *Messiah* Chorus, invites you to a benefit concert of arias, sonatas, and classical masterpieces for voice, piano, and cello. She will perform Friday, April 10, and Saturday, April 11, at 7 pm in the CPC Sanctuary. Admission is free, and gifts will be accepted to benefit the Sisters of the Poor in Nigeria to provide care, safety, and hope for ill, discarded, and unwanted children and adults.

Mo-Ranch All- Church Retreat July 23–26

We are heading back to Mo-Ranch in the Texas Hill Country July 23–26! Please prayerfully consider joining us for a great time of refreshment, games, fellowship, worship, and rest. Register online through Sunday, June 7, at cpchouston.org/mo-ranch.

Men's Bible Study

Men, join us for the Men's Bible Study on Tuesdays, 6:45–7:45 am in the Chapel. Breakfast tacos will be served, and ministry staff along with seminarians will be teaching through the Psalms. Sign up online at cpchouston.org/men.

Worship Choir Rehearsals

New voices are welcome in the Worship Choir! We rehearse Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. For more information, please contact BJ McDougal in the church office.

Join a City Group

City Groups at Christ Presbyterian Church provide a great way for people to enjoy fellowship, build strong friendships, and encourage one another through prayer and Bible study. Learn more and join a City Group at cpchouston.org/city-groups.

Give Online

To give online, please visit cpchouston.org/give. "And my God will supply every need of yours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus."
Philippians 4:19 ESV

Holy Week & Easter

Details online at
cpchouston.org

Maundy Thursday, April 2

7:00 pm Worship & Communion

Good Friday, April 3

7:00 pm Tenebrae Service

Easter Sunday, April 5

7:00 am Sunrise Service

9:00 & 11:00 am Worship

No Sunday School

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