

ORDER OF WORSHIP

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Prelude

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

Hebrews 4:14–16

Leader: Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Let us worship God together!

Hymn of Praise

I Will Sing Of My
Redeemer

I will sing of my Redeemer
And his wondrous love to me
On the cruel cross he suffered
From the curse to set me free

Chorus
Sing O sing of my Redeemer
With his blood he purchased me
On the cross he sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free

I will tell the wondrous story
How my lost estate to save
In his boundless love and mercy
He the ransom freely gave

Chorus

I will praise my dear Redeemer
His triumphant power I'll tell
How the victory he giveth
Over sin and death and hell

Chorus
Sing O sing of my Redeemer
With his blood he purchased me
On the cross he sealed my pardon
Paid the debt and made me free

I will sing of my Redeemer
And his heavenly love for me
He from death to life hath bro't me
Son of God with him to be

Chorus

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

Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed
**The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.*

Leader: Christians, what do we believe?

All: We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn
Love Divine

Love divine all loves excelling
Joy of heav'n to earth come down
Fill us with thy humble dwelling
All thy faithful mercies crown
Jesus thou art all compassion
Pure unbounded love thou art
Visit us with thy salvation
Enter every trembling every trembling heart

Breathe O breathe thy loving Spirit
Into every troubled breast
Let us all in thee inherit
Let us find thy promised rest
Take away the love of sinning
Alpha and Omega be
End of faith as its beginning
Set our hearts at liberty at liberty

Come Almighty to deliver
Let us all thy life receive
Suddenly return and never
Nevermore thy temples leave
Thee we would be always blessing
Serve thee as thy hosts above
Pray and praise thee without ceasing
Glory in thy perfect in thy perfect love

Finish then thy new creation
Pure and spotless let us be
Let us see thy great salvation
Perfectly restored in thee
Changed from glory into glory
Till in heav'n we take our place
Till we cast our crowns before thee
Lost in wonder love in wonder love and praise

**Call to
Confession**

Mark 7:14-16,
21-23

Leader: And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

**Public
Confession**

Adapted from
Luke 11:37-52

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O Lord, forgive us for our failure to keep your commandments. We confess that we often cleanse the outside of our lives, yet do nothing about the inside of our hearts. Outside we look righteous, moral, and upright, yet inside we are filled with anger, lust, greed, lies, and idolatry. Outwardly we go to church, give money, and read the Bible, yet inwardly we neglect justice, purity, love, encouraging speech, and mercy. Lord, we should have done the latter without neglecting the others. We have thrust ourselves into the best positions, because we thought we deserved them, yet the truth is we are unworthy of any blessing. Have mercy on us for being like the Pharisees. May you cleanse us—all of us and all of who we are—from the inside out.

Silent Confession

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

2 Corinthians 5:17, 21

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

**Tithes &
Offerings**

**Musical
Offering**

My Jesus I Love
Thee

My Jesus I love thee I know thou art mine
For thee all the follies of sin I resign
My gracious Redeemer my Savior art thou
If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

I love thee because thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree
I love thee for wearing
The thorns on thy brow
If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

I'll love thee in life I will love thee in death
And praise thee as long as thou
Lendest me breath
And say when the death dew lies
Cold on my brow
If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

In mansions of glory and endless delight
I'll ever adore thee in heaven so bright
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow
If ever I loved thee my Jesus 'tis now

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

**Prayer of
Dedication**

Sermon

"The Flood"
Genesis 6:9-8:19
Rev. Richard Harris

**The Service of
Communion**

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is fitting and right that we give You thanks and praise, O God, at all times and in all places. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we praise and magnify your name, saying, "Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts: heaven and earth are full of your glory. Glory to God in the highest."

Words of Institution

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Power Of The Cross

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

Chorus

*This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross*

Oh to see the pain written on your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning your bloodstained brow

Chorus

Now the daylight flees
Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows his head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

Chorus

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

Benediction

Postlude

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Announcements

- Worship Choir** Worship Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 4, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. New voices are welcome! For information, contact BJ McDougal.
- Family Ministry
Fall Kick-Off** Saturday, September 7, 11 am to 2 pm in the Barn. Lunch, fellowship, and Texas vs. Michigan football. Childcare provided. Sign up at cpchouston.org/family
- City Groups** Learn more and join a City Group online at cpchouston.org/city-groups or contact Marcelo Jakubovic.
- Men's Bible Study** Men's Bible Study led by Pastor Harris meets Tuesdays, 6:45–7:45 am, beginning September 10. Sign up at cpchouston.org/men
- Women's Bible
Study** Join Mikie Bellis and the women of CPC for our Bible study “Leviticus & Hebrews: The Necessity of the Cross” this fall. We meet Tuesdays at 7 pm and Wednesdays at 9:30 am beginning September 10 & 11. Learn more & register at cpchouston.org/BibleStudy
- Meet CPC
Weekend** If you want to learn more about our church and see if it is a good fit for you, please join our next Meet CPC Weekend. Friday, October 25, 6:30–8:30 pm beginning with dinner and Saturday, October 26, 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Learn more & sign up: cpchouston.org/meet-cpc.
- Women's Retreat** October 11–13 at Camp Allen with speaker Kristie Harrick. Details & registration: cpchouston.org/retreat
- Volunteers
Needed** Your help is needed! Ushers, greeters, safety team, and meals & care all welcome new volunteers. Sign up at cpchouston.org/deacons
- Adult Sunday
School** Join a class Sundays at 10 am! Details: cpchouston.org/Sunday-School

Prayers for Those Not Taking the Lord's Supper

Because CPC is a church that is not only for convinced Christians, but also for people at different stages in their spiritual journey, we gladly extend room for you to process, think, and dialogue. Use the prayers provided below as guides to reflect upon and respond to what God is doing in your life.

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through You I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross, and offering forgiveness and new life. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as Savior and Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the Pioneer and Perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Year-to-Date Giving

GIVING TARGETED FOR 2024	\$3,138,300
GIVING TARGETED JAN-AUG 2024	\$1,694,682
GIVING RECEIVED YEAR-TO-DATE	\$1,638,204
DIFFERENCE AS OF 08/29/24	(\$56,478)

“Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine.” *Proverbs 3:9-10 ESV*

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