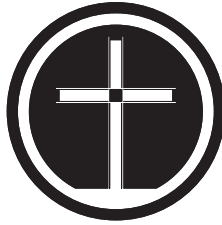


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Prelude

Offertory on "Trust in Jesus" by David Lasky

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

Psalm 95:1-2

Leader: Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Let us worship God together!

Hymn of Praise

O God Beyond
All Praising

O God beyond all praising
We worship you today
And sing the love amazing
That songs cannot repay
For we can only wonder
At every gift you send
At blessings without number
And mercies without end
We lift our hearts before you
And wait upon your word
We honor and adore you
Our great and mighty Lord

Then hear O gracious Saviour
Accept the love we bring
That we who know your favor
May serve you as our King
And whether our tomorrows
Be filled with good or ill
We'll triumph through
Our sorrows
And rise to bless you still

To marvel at your beauty
And glory in your ways
And make a joyful duty
Our sacrifice of praise

Words: Michael Perry, 1982

Music: From Gustav Holst, The Planets, 1918

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

Colossians 1:15–20

Leader: Who is Jesus, the Christ?

All: We believe Jesus Christ is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Hymn
Behold Our God

Who has held the oceans in his hands
Who has numbered every grain of sand
Kings and nations tremble at his voice
All creation rises to rejoice

Chorus
Behold our God seated on his throne
Come let us adore him
Behold our King nothing can compare
Come let us adore him

Who has given counsel to the Lord
Who can question any of his words
Who can teach the One who knows all things
Who can fathom all his wondrous deeds

Chorus

Who has felt the nails upon his hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus Savior risen now to reign

Chorus

You will reign forever
(Let your glory fill the earth)
(REPEAT)

Chorus 2x

Words & Music: Stephen Altrogge, Jonathan, Meghan and Ryan Baird

**Call to
Confession**
Isaiah 53:6

Leader: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned – every one
– to his own way.

**Public
Confession**

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty God, who is rich in mercy to all who call upon you, hear us as we humbly confess our sins and seek your forgiveness. We have broken your holy laws by our deeds and by our words, and by the sinful affections of our hearts. We confess before you our disobedience and ingratitude; our pride and willfulness; and all our other failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our fellowmen. Have mercy upon us, Father, and by your great goodness grant that we may possess the fullness of the Spirit of adoption, freeing us from guilt, and causing us to pursue holiness. By your gospel, encourage us and save sinners today. We ask expectantly through the mediation of Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

Hebrews 10:11-14

Leader: And every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

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**

**Tithes &
Offerings**

**Musical
Offering**

Nothing but the
Blood of Jesus,
arr. Craig Courtney
The Worship Choir

What can wash away my sin
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Chorus
O precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

For my pardon this I see
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
For my cleansing this my plea
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Chorus

This is all my hope and peace
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing can for sin atone
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Chorus

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

“Forgiveness and a Future”
Genesis 45
Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Hymn

O Great God

O great God of highest heav'n
Occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme
Conquer ev'ry rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain
That resists your holy war
You have loved and purchased me
Make me yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin
Had no ears to hear your voice
Did not know your love within
Had no taste for heaven's joys
Then your Spirit gave me life
Opened up your Word to me
Through the gospel of your Son
Gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life
That's dependent on your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul
From the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised
With my ev'ry thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n
Glorify your name through me

You are worthy to be praised
With my ev'ry thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n
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Words & Music: Bob Kauflin, 2006, based on The Valley of Vision

Benediction

Postlude

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Praise Him! Praise Him! By Mark Hayes, arr. by Marvin Gaspard

Announcements

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.

Missions Prayer Meeting April 22

Please join for a time of corporate prayer on Wednesday, April 22, as we prepare for Missions Weekend on April 24-26. Elders and members on the Missions Committee will lead us in prayer for Missions Weekend and for the missionaries and ministries that CPC supports. The prayer meeting will be on CPC's campus and will start around 5:30 pm and end at 6:20 pm, in time for dinner and scheduled City Groups that meet on Wednesdays. Please sign up online at cpchouston.org/missions2026.

Women's Retreat April 17-19 Register Today

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. Registration is still open for a limited time. Sign up online at cpchouston.org/retreat.

JOY Group (Just Older Youth) Field Trip April 21

Calling all 55+ members! Let's go to the Painted Churches near Schulenburg on April 21! We will leave from church on the county bus at 8:45 am and plan to be back by approximately 3:30 pm. We will visit 3 churches and have a buffet lunch at Oakridge Smokehouse. Cost is \$46. Please contact Cindy Meeh or the church office for information or sign up using the link in the weekly newsletter.

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 Harrises' home! RSVP online at cpchouston.org/crawfish.

Vacation Bible School June 9-12

Sign up today 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.

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.

Announcements

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.

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.

Give Online

To give online, please visit cpchouston.org/give. "The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:6

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