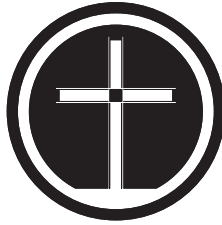


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Prelude

Bell Prelude by Esther Megargel

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 47
(selected verses)

Leader: Clap your hands, all peoples!
Shout to God with loud songs of joy!
For the LORD, the Most High, is to be feared,
a great king over all the earth.
Sing praises to God, sing praises!
Sing praises to our King, sing praises!
God reigns over the nations;
God sits on his holy throne.
For the shields of the earth belong to God;
he is highly exalted!

Let us sing praises to our God who sits on His holy throne!

Hymn of Praise

Holy, Holy, Holy

Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty
Early in the morning
Our song shall rise to thee
Holy holy holy merciful and mighty
God in three Persons blessed Trinity

Holy holy holy all the saints adore thee
Casting down their golden crowns
Around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim
Falling down before thee
Who wert and art and evermore shalt be

Holy holy holy though the darkness hide thee
Though the eye of sinful man
Thy glory may not see
Only thou art holy there is none beside thee
Perfect in pow'r in love in purity

Holy holy holy Lord God Almighty
All thy works shall praise thy name
In earth and sky and sea
Holy holy holy merciful and mighty
God in three Persons blessed Trinity

Words: Reginald Heber, 1826

Music: John B. Dykes, 1861

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

The Heidelberg
Catechism,
Q/A #27 & 28

Leader: What do you understand by the providence of God?

All: Providence is the almighty and ever present power of God by which he upholds, as with his hand, heaven and earth and all creatures, and so rules them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and lean years, food and drink, health and sickness, prosperity and poverty—all things, in fact, come to us not by chance but from his fatherly hand.

Leader: How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?

All: We can be patient when things go against us, thankful when things go well, and for the future we can have good confidence in our faithful God and Father that nothing will separate us from his love. All creatures are so completely in his hand that without his will they can neither move nor be moved.

Hymn
Psalm 130,
From the
Depths of Woe

From the depths of woe I raise to thee
The voice of lamentation
Lord turn a gracious ear to me
And hear my supplication
If thou iniquities dost mark
Our secret sins and misdeeds dark
O who shall stand before thee
O who shall stand before thee

To wash away the crimson stain
Grace grace alone availeth
Our works alas are all in vain
In much the best life faileth
No man can glory in thy sight
All must alike confess thy might
And live alone by mercy
And live alone by mercy

Therefore my trust is in the Lord
And not in mine own merit
On him my soul shall rest
His Word upholds my fainting spirit
His promised mercy is my fort
My comfort and my sweet support
I wait for it with patience
I wait for it with patience

What though I wait the livelong night
And till the dawn appeareth
My heart still trusteth in his might
It doubteth not nor feareth
Do thus O ye of Israel's seed
Ye of the Spirit born indeed
And wait till God appeareth
And wait till God appeareth

Though great our sins and sore our woes
His grace much more aboundeth
His helping love no limit knows
Our upmost need it soundeth
Our Shepherd good and true is he
Who will at last his Israel free
From all their sin and sorrow
From all their sin and sorrow
From all their sin and sorrow

Words: Martin Luther, 1524 | Music: Christopher Miner, 1997

**Call to
Confession**
Titus 2:11-14

Leader: For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

**Public
Confession**

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty God, who art rich in mercy to all those who call upon you: Hear us as we come to you humbly confessing our sins and transgressions and imploring your mercy and 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 failures and shortcomings toward you and toward our neighbors. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, and of your great goodness grant that we may hereafter serve and please you in newness of life, through the merit and mediation of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**
Isaiah 53:6, 12

Leader: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned – every one – to his own way; and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He bore the sin of many, and makes intercession for the transgressors.

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)
**Sacrament of
Baptism**

Maxwell Joseph Cordeiro

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offering

How Great Is the Greatness of God

Chorus

*How faithful the Father above
How wondrous the work of the Son
How sweet is the Spirit given to us
How great is the greatness of God*

Morning by morning with every dawn
My soul with a new song awaits
Even in evening my praise goes on
Forever my God is the same

Chorus

When my heart gazes on Calvary
At all of your mercies arrayed
Oh that my Savior would die for me
I sing out with infinite thanks

Chorus

Oh what a comfort in every trial
His presence is all that I need
Power that brought resurrection life
That power is living in me
That power is living in me

Chorus

How faithful the Father above
How wondrous the work of the Son
How sweet is the Spirit given to us
How great is the greatness of God
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Words & Music: Matt Boswell, Bryan Fowler, Matt Papa, 2024

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

“The Sons of Jacob”

Genesis 49:1-28

Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Hymn

Amazing Grace

Amazing grace how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me
I once was lost but now am found
Was blind but now I see

‘Twas grace that taught my heart to fear
And grace my fears relieved
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers toils and snares
I have already come
‘Tis grace has brought me safe thus far
And grace will lead me home

When we’ve been there ten thousand years
Bright shining as the sun
We’ve no less days to sing God’s praise
Than when we’ve first begun

Words: John Newton, 1779

Music: Traditional American melody; Columbian Harmony, 1829

Benediction

Postlude

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Postlude on “Nicaea” by David Lasky

Announcements

- Meet Church Planters Tim & Lucy Dalton Today**
Church planters in Gloucester, England, Tim & Lucy Dalton are with us this morning. The women of CPC are invited to hear Lucy speak about her faith journey as a British physician and wife of a CPC-supported church planter in the Women's Discussion Sunday School class in SonRise 201 at 10 am. All members of our church family are invited to hear Tim tell why he labors for the city of Gloucester to be restored as a center for Christian mission and education at a Lunch & Learn after the second worship service in the Chapel.
- Blood Drive June 21**
We will host a blood drive Sunday, June 21, 8 am to 12 pm in the SonRise Cafe. Successful donors will receive a \$25 e-gift card. Please sign up for your donation time slot at cpchouston.org/BloodDrive.
- Women's Summer Book Study**
A Heart Set Free, by Christina Fox, explores more deeply what Kerry Anderson spoke about at this year's Women's Retreat. We will meet on Wednesday evenings June 3–July 15. Come and go each week as you are able for this great opportunity for fellowship and discussion. Feel free to invite a friend! Register online at cpchouston.org/book.
- Children's Summer Activities**
Children rising 5th grade and younger are invited for summer fun at CPC! Come enjoy Wacky Wednesday on the evenings of June 3, July 1, and August 5. Join us Friday mornings, May 29 and June 26, for Pizza, Popsicles & Play. Learn more & register at cpchouston.org/children.
- 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 or sign up to bring snacks 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. We are nearing capacity for the retreat, but we will make every effort to find space for everyone who wants to come. Please email BJ McDougal to find out about options.
- Lessons & Laughter**
Lessons & Laughter will resume meeting on Wednesday, June 17.
- 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.

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Give Online To give online, please visit cpchouston.org/give. “As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.”
1 Timothy 6:17-19 ESV

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