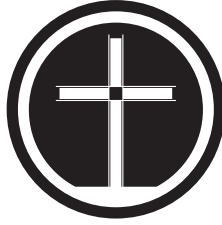


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Prelude

Bach: Fantasy in C

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 46:1-7

Leader: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Let us worship the Lord together!

Hymn of Praise

A Mighty Fortress Is
Our God

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper he amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and pow'r are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side
The man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be
Christ Jesus it is he
Lord Sabaoth his name
From age to age the same
And he must win the battle

And tho' this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow'rs
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Thro' him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

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 Westminster
Shorter Catechism,
Q/A 1-2

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

All: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Leader: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

All: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Hymn

Christ Our Hope In
Life And Death

What is our hope in life and death

Christ alone Christ alone

What is our only confidence

That our souls to him belong

Who holds our days within his hand

What comes apart from his command

And what will keep us to the end

The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus

O sing hallelujah

Our hope springs eternal

O sing hallelujah

Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul

God is good God is good

Where is his grace and goodness known

In our great Redeemer's blood

Who holds our faith when fears arise

Who stands above the stormy trial

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh

Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Chorus

Unto the grave what shall we sing

Christ he lives Christ he lives

And what reward will heaven bring

Everlasting life with him

There we will rise to meet the Lord

Then sin and death will be destroyed

And we will feast in endless joy

When Christ is ours forevermore

Chorus

O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

**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**

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world.

**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!

(8:30)

**Reception of
New Member**

(11:00)

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offering

The Majesty And
Glory Of Your Name
Based on Psalm 8

When I gaze into the night skies
And see the work of your fingers
The moon and stars suspended in space
Oh what is man that you are mindful of him
You have given man a
Crown of glory and honor
And have made him a little
Lower than the angels
You have put him in charge of all creation
The beasts of the field the birds of the air
The fish of the sea but what is man
Oh what is man that you are mindful of him

O Lord our God
The majesty and glory of your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens
O Lord our God
Little children praise you perfectly
And so would we and so would we

Chorus
Alleluia alleluia
The majesty and glory of your name
Alleluia alleluia
The majesty and glory of your name
Alleluia

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

“God Promises the Impossible”
Genesis 17:15-27
Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Song

My Hope Is Built On
Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus' name

Chorus

*On Christ the solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils his lovely face
I rest on his unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus

His oath his covenant his blood
Support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay

Chorus

When he shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in him be found
Dressed in his righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne

Chorus

Benediction

Postlude

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Bach/Vivaldi: Allegro

Announcements

- City Group Lunch** Join us for a City Group lunch today at 12:30 pm in the Chapel. If you are a current City Group leader, are interested in becoming a City Group leader, or would like to join a City Group, this lunch is for you!
- Baby Shower for Whitney Smith** Please join us for a drop-in baby shower to honor Whitney Smith on Sunday, February 2, 12:30-2:30 pm in the Chapel. We will enjoy fellowship and delicious food as we celebrate the newest addition to the Smith family. Moms, please note that students and children will also have a fellowship lunch at this time.
- Men's Steak Night** The Men's Steak Night originally scheduled for Friday, January 24, was postponed. Watch for the new date soon!
- Women's Bible Study** Our Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 9:30 am (lunch at 11). An online-only small group meets Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Learn more & register at cpchouston.org/BibleStudy.
- Journeys** Ladies, please join us for Journeys January 30 at 6:30 pm. We will share dinner, sing, and pray before we hear from our speakers, Stephanie Greene and Celeste Garbarino. Learn more & register at cpchouston.org/journeys.
- Men's Retreat** Our 2025 Men's Retreat is February 7–8. Learn more and register online: cpchouston.org/mens-retreat.
- Women's Retreat** Ladies, join us for our Women's Retreat March 28–30 at Camp Allen with guest speaker Sarah Morris! Learn more and register online at cpchouston.org/retreat.
- Worship Choir** Worship Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. New voices are welcome! Contact BJ McDougal.
- Volunteers Needed** The Ushers, Greeters, Safety, and Meals & Care teams need your help! Sign up at cpchouston.org/deacons.
- Join a City Group** City Groups are a great opportunity to develop meaningful relationships with other believers, to discuss the Bible and other Christian books, and to pray for one another. For information contact Jack Smith.
- Sunday School** Join an adult Sunday School class Sundays at 10 am! Class descriptions: cpchouston.org/Sunday-School
- Mo-Ranch** Mark your calendar for our All-Church Retreat at Mo-Ranch July 24–27, 2025.
- Give Online** Visit cpchouston.org/give to give online.

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