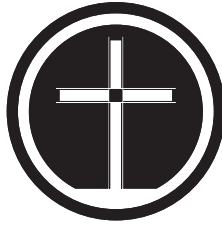


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Prelude

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

Psalm 95:1–5

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!
For the LORD is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.

Let us worship our great God together!

Hymn of Praise

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

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

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

Words: Edward Mote, 1824; rev. John Rees, 1826.

Music: William Bradbury, 1864

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 #21

Leader: What is true faith?

All: True faith is not only a knowledge and conviction that everything God reveals in his Word is true; it is also a deep-rooted assurance, created in me by the Holy Spirit through the gospel, that, out of sheer grace earned for us by Christ, not only others, but I too, have had my sins forgiven, have been made forever right with God, and have been granted salvation.

Hymn
Christus Victor

O Most High King of the ages
Great I AM God of wonders
By the blood you have redeemed us
Led us through mighty waters
Our strength our song our sure salvation

Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle you have won
Hallelujah Amen

O Most High dwelling among us
Son of man sent for sinners
By your blood you have redeemed us
Spotless Lamb mighty Savior
Who lived who died who rose victorious

Chorus
Now to the Lamb upon the throne
Be blessing honor glory power
For the battle you have won
Hallelujah
With every tribe and every tongue
We join the anthem of the angels
In the triumph of the Son
Hallelujah Amen

O Most High King of the nations
Robed in praise crowned in splendor
On that day who will not tremble
When you stand Christ the Victor
Who was and is and is forever

Chorus

Amen amen amen
Amen amen amen
Amen amen amen

Chorus

Sing the victory of the Lamb
Hallelujah Amen Amen

Words & Music: Matt Boswell, Bryan Fowler, Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Matt Papa,
2024

Call to Confession

1 Timothy 6:6–11

Leader: Now there is great gain in godliness with contentment, for we brought nothing into the world, and we cannot take anything out of the world. But if we have food and clothing, with these we will be content. But those who desire to be rich fall into temptation, into a snare, into many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evils. It is through this craving that some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pangs. But as for you, O man of God, flee these things. Pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, steadfastness, gentleness.

Public Confession

Adapted from John
Knox's Liturgy of
1560

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Almighty God, we have sinned against you, and we have offended you. And yet, O Lord, as we acknowledge our sins and offenses, so also do we acknowledge you to be a merciful God, a loving and favorable Father, to all who turn to you. And so, we humbly ask you, for the sake of Christ your Son, to show mercy to us, and forgive us all our offenses. By your Spirit, O God, take possession of our hearts, so that, not only the actions of our lives, but also the words of our mouths, and the smallest thoughts of our minds, may be guided and governed by you. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, be all honor and glory, now and forever. Amen

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort

1 John 1:5, 9

Leader: This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

Tithes & Offerings

**Musical
Offering**

Yet Not I,
But Through
Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy my righteousness and freedom
My steadfast love
My deep and boundless peace
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to his
Oh how strange and divine
I can sing all is mine
Yet not I but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side the Savior he will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need his power is displayed
To this I hold my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley he will lead
Oh the night has been won
And I shall overcome
Yet not I but through Christ in me

No fate I dread I know I am forgiven
The future sure the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And he was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released
I can sing I am free
Yet not I but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For he has said that he will bring me home
And day by day I know he will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to him
When the race is complete
Still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I but through Christ in me
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Words & Music: Michael Farren, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, 2018

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

"Adorn the Doctrine of God Our Savior - Part 1"

Titus 2:1-6

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

Communion

Hymns

O Sacred Head
Now Wounded

O sacred Head now wounded
With grief and shame weighed down
Now scornfully surrounded
With thorns thine only crown
How pale thou art with anguish
With sore abuse and scorn
How does that visage languish
Which once was bright as morn

What thou my Lord hast suffered
Was all for sinners' gain
Mine mine was the transgression
But thine the deadly pain
Lo here I fall my Savior
'Tis I deserve thy place
Look on me with thy favor
Assist me with thy grace

What language shall I borrow
To thank thee dearest Friend
For this thy dying sorrow
Thy pity without end
O make me thine forever
And should I fainting be
Lord let me never never
Outlive my love to thee

Words: Arnulf of Leuven, ca. 1250, adapt. Paul Gerhardt, 1656
Music: Hans Leo Hassler, 1601; harm. J.S. Bach, 1727

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true Word
I ever with thee and thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure thou art

Benediction

Postlude

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High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

Words: Irish poem, 10th c.; tr. Mary E Byrne, 1905; vers. Eleanor Hull, 1912, alt.

Music: Irish melody

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.

Announcements

- JOY (Just Older Youth) Group** We are going to the Hemi Hideout this Wednesday, August 5, followed by lunch at Brookwood. Join us for fun and fellowship. Questions? Contact Cindy Meeh at 281-630-9572. Sign up now at cpchouston.org/JOY.
- Worship Choir** New voices are welcome in the Worship Choir this fall! We will kick off the year with a Choir Workshop on Saturday, August 29, at 9 am in the Sanctuary, followed by lunch. Choir rehearsals begin Wednesday, September 2, at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. To RSVP to the workshop or for more information, please contact BJ McDougal in the church office.
- Women's Ministry Fall Kickoff** Join us on Sunday, August 23, as we kick off the 2026-27 year of CPC Women's Ministry! We will gather in the Chapel at 10 am during the Sunday School hour to fellowship with one another, enjoy yummy food and coffee, and hear about the events for the year. Sign up at cpchouston.org/kickoff.
- Children's Summer Activities** Children rising 5th grade and younger are invited for summer fun at CPC! Come enjoy Wacky Wednesday on the evening of August 5. Learn more & register at cpchouston.org/children.
- March 2027 CPC Trip to Israel** Richard Harris will lead a trip to Israel for a small group of CPC members March 6–16, 2027. The trip will include visits to Joppa, Caesarea Philippi, Nazareth, the Sea of Galilee, the Mount of Beatitudes, Capernaum, the Jordan River, the Dead Sea, the Mount of Olives, the Garden of Gethsemane, the Temple Mount, the City of David, Bethlehem, and more. There is also an optional Jordan extension that can be added to see Petra and spend a night in Wadi Rum. If you are interested in joining our group, please contact Richard Harris.
- Lessons & Laughter** Lessons & Laughter will not meet Wednesday, August 5.

Operating Fund Contributions

ANNUAL BUDGET	\$3,400,000
YTD GIVING AS OF 07/29/2026	\$1,776,890
REMAINING TO REACH BUDGET	\$1,623,110

"You shall remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your fathers, as it is this day." *Deuteronomy 8:18 ESV*

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Sermon Notes

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Titus 2:1-6 | Rev. Richard Harris

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