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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

O God Our Help In
Ages Past
Based on Psalm 90

O God our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come
Our shelter from the stormy blast
And our eternal home

Under the shadow of thy throne
Still may we dwell secure
Sufficient is thine arm alone
And our defense is sure

Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame
From everlasting thou art God
To endless years the same

A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun

Time like an ever rolling stream
Bears all its sons away
They fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day

O God our help in ages past
Our hope for years to come
Be thou our Guide while life shall last
And our eternal home

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 Heidelberg
Catechism Q #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

Psalm 130, I Will
Wait For You

Lord from the depths I call to you
Lord hear me from on high
And give attention to my voice
When I for mercy cry

Out of the depths I cry to you
In darkest places I will call
Incline your ear to me anew
And hear my cry for mercy Lord

Were you to count my sinful ways
How could I come before your throne
Yet full forgiveness meets my gaze
I stand redeemed by grace alone

Chorus
I will wait for you I will wait for you
On your Word I will rely
I will wait for you surely wait for you
Till my soul is satisfied

So put your hope in God alone
Take courage in his power to save
Completely and forever won
By Christ emerging from the grave

Chorus

Now he has come to make a way
And God himself has paid the price
That all who trust in him today
Find healing in his sacrifice

Chorus

I will wait for you I will wait for you
Through the storm and through the night
I will wait for you surely wait for you
For your love is my delight

I wait my soul waits for the Lord
My hope is in his Word
More than the watchman waits for dawn
My soul waits for the LORD

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.

People: Thanks be to God!

Tithes and Offerings

Musical Offering

There Is A Fountain

There is a fountain filled with blood
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
Lose all their guilty stains
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains

The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain in his day
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
Wash all my sins away
And there may I though vile as he
Wash all my sins away

Dear dying Lamb thy precious blood
Shall never lose its pow'r
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more
Be saved to sin no more
Be saved to sin no more
Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
Thy flowing wounds supply
Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die
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Redeeming love has been my theme
And shall be till I die

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

"Repenting with David"
Psalm 51
Rev. Arthur Rankin

**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**

Grace Greater Than
All Our Sin

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord
Grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured
There where the blood of the
Lamb was spilt

Chorus
Grace grace God's grace
Grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace grace God's grace
Grace that is greater than all our sin

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold
Threaten the soul with infinite loss
Grace that is greater yes grace untold
Points to the refuge the mighty cross

Chorus

Marvelous infinite matchless grace
Freely bestowed on all who believe
You that are longing to see his face
Will you this moment his grace receive

Chorus

All Must Be Well

Through the love of God our Savior
All will be well
Free and changeless is his favor
All is well
Precious is the blood that healed us
Perfect is the grace that sealed us
Strong the hand stretched forth to shield us
All must be well

Though we pass through tribulation
All will be well
Ours is such a full salvation
All is well
Happy still in God confiding
Fruitful if in Christ abiding
Steadfast through the Spirit's guiding
All must be well

We expect a bright tomorrow
All will be well
Faith can sing through days of sorrow
All is well
On our Father's love relying
Jesus every need supplying
Yes in living and in dying
All must be well

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Benediction

Postlude

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Announcements

- Mo-Ranch** Mo-Ranch All-Church Retreat August 8–11
Registration is now closed. Contact the church office for information.
- One Worship Service August 11** On Sunday, August 11, we will have one combined worship service at 10 am in the Sanctuary. Sunday school classes will not meet; Children’s Church available for kindergarten and younger.
- Cookbook Supporting Tumaini** We’re creating a cookbook with favorite recipes from our CPC family. Money raised will support the Tumaini Orphanage. Reserve your cookbook and submit your recipes at cpchouston.org/women by August 15.
- Opportunities at Our Partner Schools** Visit the table on Main Street or contact Axel Sotelo or Susie Moore to help us bless the staff members at Cedar Brook and Lion Lane. Our next events are August 13 & 14.
- Blood Drive** CPC Blood Drive Sunday, August 18, 8 am to noon, in the SonRise Cafe. Sign up for your time slot at cpchouston.org/BloodDrive.
- ESL Teacher Training** Teacher training August 23 & 24. Teachers needed for our ESL ministry. No experience necessary! Details & registration: cpchouston.org/ESL or contact Axel Sotelo.
- 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
- Women’s Retreat** October 11–13 at Camp Allen with speaker Kristie Harrick.
Details & registration: cpchouston.org/retreat
- Give Online** Visit cpchouston.org/give to give online.
- Lessons & Laughter** Wednesdays at 12 pm in the SonRise Café.
Learn more: cpchouston.org/women
- Ushers, Greeters, Safety Team, and Meals & Care** Volunteers Needed
Sign up at cpchouston.org/deacons
- City Groups** Sign up online at cpchouston.org/city-groups or contact Marcelo Jakubovic.

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-JUL 2024	\$1,506,384
GIVING RECEIVED YEAR-TO-DATE	\$1,571,285
DIFFERENCE AS OF 07/29/24	\$64,901

“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.” *Matthew 6:19-21*

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