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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 150

Leader: Praise the LORD!
Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty heavens!
Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his excellent greatness!
Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!
Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!
Praise him with sounding cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!
Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!
Praise the LORD!

Hymn of Praise
Psalm 100,
All People That on Earth Do Dwell

All people that on earth do dwell
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice
Him serve with fear his praise forth tell
Come ye before him and rejoice

The Lord ye know is God indeed
Without our aid he did us make
We are his flock he doth us feed
And for his sheep he doth us take

O enter then his gates with praise
Approach with joy his courts unto
Praise laud and bless his name always
For it is seemly so to do

For why the Lord our God is good
His mercy is forever sure
His truth at all times firmly stood
And shall from age to age endure

To Father Son and Holy Ghost
The God whom heav'n and earth adore
From earth and from the angel host
Be praise and glory evermore
Amen

Words: William Kethe, 1561
Music: Louis Bourgeois's Genevan Psalter, 1551

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 Nicene Creed
325 A.D.
**The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.*

Leader: Christians, what do we believe?

All: **We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered and was buried; and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets; and we believe in one holy catholic* and apostolic church; we acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; and we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Hymn
Psalm 150,
Praise the Lord

You made the starry host
You traced the mountain peaks
You paint the evening skies with wonders
The earth it is your throne
From desert to the sea
All nature testifies your splendor

Chorus
Praise the LORD praise the LORD
Sing his greatness all creation
Praise the LORD raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
Let everything that has breath
Praise the LORD

You reached into the dust
With love your Spirit breathed
You formed us in your very likeness
To know your wondrous works
To tell your mighty deeds
To join the everlasting chorus

Chorus

Let symphonies resound
Let drums and choirs ring out
All heaven hear the sound of worship
Let every nation bring
Its honors to the King
A roar of harmonies eternal

Praise the LORD praise the LORD
Sing his greatness all creation
Praise the LORD raise your voice
You heights and all you depths
From furthest east to west
You distant burning stars
All creatures near and far
From sky to sea to shore
Sing out forevermore
Let everything that has breath
Praise the LORD

Words & Music: Matt Boswell, Matt Papa, 2020

Call to Confession
Psalm 139:23–24

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

Public Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: **O our God! We are ashamed, and blush to lift our faces before you for our iniquities are higher than our heads, and our guilt has reached unto the heavens. We were sinful at birth, even from the time our mothers conceived us. We are by nature children of wrath. We have corrupted our way and turned aside from your holy laws. You are not in all our thoughts. We have often forgotten you, the God who formed us, and we have lived for ourselves, indulging the lusts of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life. But now we repent. We grieve over ourselves and turn from our sins, calling on you to forgive us and to renew a clean heart and mind within us, through the merit and mediation of your sinless Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort
Galatians 2:20

Leader: I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

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 & Reception of New Member

Milca Ruiz

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offering
The Power Of the Cross

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day
Christ on the road to Calvary
Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then
Nailed to a cross of wood

Chorus
This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see the pain written on your face
Bearing the awesome weight of sin
Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed
Crowning your bloodstained brow

Chorus

Now the daylight flees
Now the ground beneath
Quakes as its Maker bows his head
Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life
Finished the vict'ry cry

Chorus

Oh to see my name written in the wounds
For through your suff'ring I am free
Death is crushed to death life is mine to live
Won through your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross
Son of God slain for us
What a love what a cost
We stand forgiven at the cross

Words & Music: Keith Getty, Stuart Townend, 2005

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

"Grace and Good Works"
Titus 2:11–14
Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Hymn
Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance Jesus is mine
O what a foretaste of glory divine
Heir of salvation purchase of God
Born of his Spirit washed in his blood

Chorus
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long
This is my story this is my song
Praising my Savior all the day long

Perfect submission perfect delight
Visions of rapture now burst on my sight
Angels descending bring from above
Echoes of mercy whispers of love

Chorus

Perfect submission all is at rest
I in my Savior am happy and blest
Watching and waiting looking above
Filled with his goodness lost in his love

Chorus

Words: Fanny Crosby, 1873
Music: Phoebe Palmer Knapp, 1873

Benediction

Postlude

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Announcements

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 next 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.

Women's Bible Study

Join Mikie Bellis and the women of CPC for our Bible study this fall, "Hosea and The Epistles of John: *Hesed*, God's Covenant Love." We meet Wednesdays at 9:30 am in the Sanctuary beginning September 16, and online-only small groups meet Tuesdays at 7 pm and Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Learn more & register at cpchouston.org/BibleStudy.

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.

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.

Ushers Needed

Ushers are needed for each worship service Sunday mornings to extend hospitality to guests and church members so that everyone has a positive worship experience. Will you volunteer your time to serve in this important part of CPC's worship services? Learn more and sign up by visiting cpchouston.org/deacons.

Sermon Notes

August 16, 2026 | “Grace and Good Works”
Titus 2:11–14 | Rev. Richard Harris

Operating Fund Contributions

ANNUAL BUDGET	**$3,400,000**
YTD GIVING AS OF 08/12/2026	**$1,888,723**
REMAINING TO REACH BUDGET	**$1,511,277**

"Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the firstfruits of all your produce; then your barns will be filled with plenty, and your vats will be bursting with wine." *Proverbs 3:9-10 ESV*

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ON CALL AUGUST 16

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Clif Kageler

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