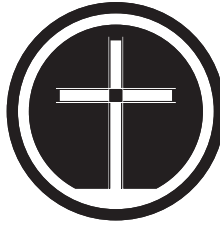


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Prelude

Preludio by C. Adolfi Bossi

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 66:1-3

Leader: Shout for joy to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;
give to him glorious praise!
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!"

Let us worship God together!

Hymn of Praise

The Church's One
Foundation

The Church's one foundation
Is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is his new creation
By water and the Word
From heav'n he came and sought her
To be his holy bride
With his own blood he bought her
And for her life he died

Elect from every nation
Yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation
One Lord one faith one birth
One holy name she blesses
Partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses
With every grace endued

'Mid toil and tribulation
And tumult of her war
She waits the consummation
Of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious
Her longing eyes are blest
And the great Church victorious
Shall be the Church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union
With God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion
With those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy
Lord give us grace that we
Like them the meek and lowly
On high may dwell with thee

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 Apostles' Creed
**Jesus "descended into hell" as he suffered the pain and torment of divine wrath.*
***The term catholic refers to the church universal, knowing no racial, economic, geographical, or language barriers.*

Leader: Christian, what do you believe?

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.* The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Hymn

Come Thou Fount
Of Every Blessing

Come thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love

Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wand'ring from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand'ring heart to thee
Prone to wander Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above

Call to Confession

James 2:8-10

Leader: If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself," you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become guilty of all of it.

Public Confession

Adapted from
Richard Baxter's
The Savoy Liturgy
(1661)

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O most great, just, and gracious God. You condemn the ungodly, but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ. We confess that we have all sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. We have dishonored and neglected those around us. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have run into temptations, and the sin, which we should have hated. We are careless, ignorant, rash and presumptuous against your commands, promises, threats, mercies and judgments. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father. Be reconciled to us, and let the blood of Jesus Christ cleanse us from all our sins. Amen.

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

Ezekiel 36:25-27

Leader: I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses, and from all your idols I will cleanse you. And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes and be careful to obey my rules.

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

All: Thanks be to God!

**Tithes &
Offerings**

**Musical
Offering**

(8:30)

In Christ Alone

(11:00)

We Sing The Mighty
Power Of God

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

“Faithfully Waiting and Preparing”

Genesis 40

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

My Worth Is Not In
What I Own

My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross

My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed
At the cross

Chorus
I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in him no other
My soul is satisfied in him alone

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us at the cross

I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

Chorus

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid at the cross

Chorus
I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in him no other
My soul is satisfied in him alone

Chorus

Benediction

Postlude

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Study on 'Abridge' by C.C. Palmer, arr. By Robert Gower

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

Palm Sunday Picnic March 29

Bring your family and friends and join us for a church picnic on Palm Sunday, March 29, at the conclusion of the 11 am worship service! We will enjoy delicious food and great fellowship on the back lawn. Expect an Easter egg hunt for the children and fun family games. Please sign up online at cphouston.org/picnic.

Women's Retreat April 17-19

Ladies, plan to be part of our Women's Retreat at Camp Allen April 17-19! Join us as we study and discuss the Word of God, deepen friendships, and enjoy some rest and relaxation. Our guest speaker, Kerry Anderson, will speak on "Equipped for CALM: Self-Control through Biblical Discernment and Grace in Action," from our theme verse: 2 Tim 1:7. Sign up online at cphouston.org/retreat.

Family Ministry Crawfish Boil May 3

Families, you are invited to CPC's Family Ministry Crawfish Boil on Sunday, May 3, 12:30-2 pm! Enjoy crawfish, sides, and fellowship with friends at the home of Richard and Alicia Harris. Students and children are invited to stay at CPC for a fellowship lunch and activities while the adults head over to the Harrises' home! RSVP online at cphouston.org/crawfish.

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. Register online through Sunday, June 7, at cphouston.org/mo-ranch.

JOY Group (Just Older Youth)

Calling all 55+ members! Remember the JOY (Just Older Youth) group from several years ago? How about we do it again, being as there are 200+ of us? There is no agenda other than to be purposeful about fellowship, encouragement, and fun. We're starting with lunch! Please join us in the Chapel on Tuesday, March 31, at 11 am. Then save the date for our April 21 day trip to Schulenburg to see the painted churches. Details and registration to follow. If you would like to help us get organized, please contact Cindy Meeh.

Men's Bible Study

Men, join us for the Men's Bible Study on Tuesdays, 6:45-7:45 am in the Chapel. Breakfast tacos will be served, and ministry staff along with seminarians will be teaching through the Psalms. Sign up online at cphouston.org/men.

Women's Bible Study

Join the women of CPC for our Bible study, "Judges & Romans: Ruined to Righteous." We meet Wednesdays at 9:30 am in Room 214, and online-only small groups meet Tuesdays at 7 pm and Wednesdays at 1:30 pm. Learn more & register: cphouston.org/BibleStudy

Announcements

Worship Choir Rehearsals

New voices are welcome in the Worship Choir! We rehearse Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. For more information, please contact BJ McDougal in the church office.

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.

Volunteers Needed

The Ushers, Greeters, Safety, and Meals & Care teams need your help! Sign up at cpchouston.org/deacons.

Give Online

To give online, please visit cpchouston.org/give. "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*

Wednesday Night Dinner

For groups meeting at church on Wednesday nights, dinner on March 4 is chicken alfredo, salad, and dessert. Bring \$5 per person, max \$20 per family, or pay online at <https://givebutter.com/cepcwednesday>.

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