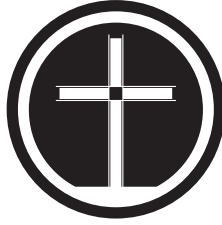


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Prelude

Improvisation on Crown Him with Many Crowns

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 92:1–2, 4

Leader: It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night,
For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.

Let us worship the Lord together!

Hymn of Praise
Crown Him With
Many Crowns

Crown him with many crowns
The Lamb upon his throne
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own
Awake my soul and sing
Of him who died for thee
And hail him as thy matchless King
Thro' all eternity

Crown him the Lord of love
Behold his hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above
In beauty glorified
All hail Redeemer hail
For thou hast died for me
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
Thro'out eternity

Crown him the Lord of life
Who triumphed o'er the grave
Who rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die

Crown him the Lord of heav'n
One with the Father known
One with the Spirit thro' him giv'n
From yonder glorious throne
To thee be endless praise
For thou for us hast died
Be thou O Lord thro' endless days
Adored and magnified

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

Psalm 67, May The
Peoples Praise You

You have called us out of darkest night
Into your glorious light
That we may sing the wonders of
The risen Christ

May our every breath retell the grace
That broke into our strife
With boundless love and deepest joy
With endless life

Chorus

*May the peoples praise you
Let the nations be glad
All your blessing comes
That we may praise
May praise the name of Jesus*

All the earth is yours and all within
Each harvest is your own
And from your hand we give to you
To make Christ known

May the seeds of mercy grow in us
For those who have not heard
May songs of praise build lives of grace
To spread your Word

Chorus

This our holy priv'lege to declare
Your praises and your name
To every nation tribe and tongue
Your church proclaim

Chorus

Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
Worthy worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Holy holy is the Lord Almighty
All creation praise your glorious name

Chorus 2x

**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 wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

**Public
Confession**

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Lord Jesus Christ, gracious Savior, you gave your life as an atonement for our sins. Please forgive us for our many trespasses and sins; for we have too often thought more of ourselves than we have of our neighbors, and we have often compared ourselves to each other instead of loving each other in Christ.

Grant us, O Lord, the assurance of your forgiving grace and renew within us the desire to follow You, our blessed Savior, now and forevermore. Amen.

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

1 Peter 1:18-19

Leader: Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

**(11:00)
Sacrament
of Baptism &
Reception of
New Member**

**Tithes &
Offerings**

**Musical
Offering**

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

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

“Is Anything Too Hard for the Lord?”

Genesis 18:1-15

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**

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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Benediction

Postlude

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Bach: Jesus Christ, the Only Son of God

Announcements

Baby Shower for Whitney Smith

Please join us for a drop-in baby shower to honor Whitney Smith today, 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 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.

Men's Steak Night

Men, come for a great time of fellowship and great food Friday, April 25! Details & registration: cpchouston.org/steak

Worship Choir

Worship Choir rehearsals are Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary. New voices are welcome! Contact BJ McDougal.

Men's Bible Study

Join us for our Men's Bible Study on 1 Kings beginning February 11! Pastor Richard Harris will lead this time of teaching and small group discussion Tuesday mornings, 6:45-7:45 am, in the Chapel. Sign up at cpchouston.org/men.

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.

Mo-Ranch All-Church Retreat

We are heading back to Mo-Ranch in the Texas Hill Country July 24–27! Please prayerfully consider joining us for a great time of refreshment, games, fellowship, worship, and rest. Details & registration: cpchouston.org/mo-ranch

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

Volunteers Needed

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

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