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Prelude

The Church's One Foundation arr. by Mark Hayes

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 46:1–7

Leader: God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.
Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,
though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.
God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;
God will help her when morning dawns.
The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.
The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Let us worship the Lord together!

Hymn of Praise
A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

A mighty fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing
Our helper he amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing
For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe
His craft and pow'r are great
And armed with cruel hate
On earth is not his equal

Did we in our own strength confide
Our striving would be losing
Were not the right man on our side
The man of God's own choosing
Dost ask who that may be
Christ Jesus it is he
Lord Sabaoth his name
From age to age the same
And he must win the battle

And tho' this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us
We will not fear for God hath willed
His truth to triumph through us
The prince of darkness grim
We tremble not for him
His rage we can endure
For lo his doom is sure
One little word shall fell him

That word above all earthly pow'rs
No thanks to them abideth
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Thro' him who with us sideth
Let goods and kindred go
This mortal life also
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His kingdom is forever

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 Westminster Shorter Catechism, Q/A. #1–2

Leader: What is the chief end of man?

All: Man's chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy him forever.

Leader: What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him?

All: The Word of God, which is contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy him.

Hymn
Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

What is our hope in life and death
Christ alone Christ alone
What is our only confidence
That our souls to him belong
Who holds our days within his hand
What comes apart from his command
And what will keep us to the end
The love of Christ in which we stand

Chorus
O sing hallelujah
Our hope springs eternal
O sing hallelujah
Now and ever we confess
Christ our hope in life and death

What truth can calm the troubled soul
God is good God is good
Where is his grace and goodness known
In our great Redeemer's blood
Who holds our faith when fears arise
Who stands above the stormy trial
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

Chorus

Unto the grave what shall we sing
Christ he lives Christ he lives
And what reward will heaven bring
Everlasting life with him
There we will rise to meet the Lord
Then sin and death will be destroyed
And we will feast in endless joy
When Christ is ours forevermore

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Call to Confession
Mark 7:14–16, 21–23

Leader: And he called the people to him again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand: There is nothing outside a person that by going into him can defile him, but the things that come out of a person are what defile him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person."

Public Confession

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: **Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon and Comfort
2 Corinthians 5:17, 21

Leader: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

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

All: **Thanks be to God!**

Pastoral Prayer

Tithes & Offerings

Musical Offering
Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Great is thy faithfulness O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As thou hast been thou forever wilt be

Chorus
Great is thy faithfulness
Great is thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed thy hand hath provided
Great is thy faithfulness Lord unto me

Summer and winter and
Springtime and harvest
Sun moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To thy great faithfulness mercy and love

Chorus

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thy own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today
And bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine with ten thousand beside

Chorus

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

"Solomon's Temple"
1 Kings 6
Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Hymn
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

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

Benediction

Postlude
Jesus Shall Reign arr. by Anna Laura Page

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Announcements

Dr. Brad Voyles at CPC February 1

We are pleased to welcome Dr. Brad Voyles, president of Covenant College, to CPC next Sunday, February 1. Dr. Voyles will preach in both worship services. He will also teach on "Why Christian Higher Education" during the Sunday School hour for parents and middle and high school students. Dr. Voyles combines his God-given love for discipleship with decades of experience working with students, first at Southern Illinois University and Belhaven College, then at Covenant College, to bring a valuable perspective to the topic of Christian higher education. We encourage parents and students to be part of this important class in the Chapel!

Men's Retreat February 6 & 7

Men, plan to join us for our 2026 Men's Retreat February 6-7 at Camp Blessing. Our speaker will be Ligon Duncan, Chancellor/CEO of Reformed Theological Seminary. The cost is $145. Scholarships are available. Learn more and register online at cpchouston.org/men.

Winter Journeys February 14

Ladies, save the date for Winter Journeys, one of our most loved women's ministry events at CPC! Join us Saturday, February 14, 10 am to 12 pm. We will begin our morning with fellowship and a brunch before hearing from our speakers, Anne Henderson and Kara Rose, about their journeys. Sign up today at cpchouston.org/journeys.

Men's Bible Study Resumes February 10

Men, join us for the Men's Bible Study on Tuesdays, 6:45–7:45 am in the Chapel. We will resume meeting on February 10. Breakfast tacos will be served, and ministry staff along with seminarians will be teaching through the Psalms. Sign up online at cpchouston.org/men.

Men's Steak Night February 20

Come for a time of fellowship and great food Friday, February 20, 6:30-10:00 pm! Bring your favorite cut of meat, and we will supply the rest. You can grill it yourself or leave it to one of our highly trained grill masters. Please register by February 16 at cpchouston.org/steak. Location is off-campus and will be sent via email.

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: cpchouston.org/BibleStudy

Worship Choir Rehearsal Wednesday

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.

Announcements

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. "As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life."
1 Timothy 6:17-19 ESV

Wednesday Night Dinner

For groups meeting at church on Wednesday nights, dinner on January 28 is chicken alfredo, salad, and dessert. Bring $5 per person, max $20 per family, or pay online at https://givebutter.com/cepcwednesday.

Sermon Notes

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1 Kings 6 | Rev. Richard Harris

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