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Prelude

Percy Whitlock: Hymn-Prelude on Rejoice the Lord Is King

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 67:4–5

Leader: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

Let us praise our God together!

Hymn of Praise

Rejoice The Lord Is
King

Rejoice the Lord is King
Your Lord and King adore
Rejoice give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore

Chorus
Lift up your heart
Lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

Jesus the Savior reigns
The God of truth and love
When he had purged our stains
He took his seat above

Chorus

His kingdom cannot fail
He rules o'er earth and heav'n
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus giv'n

Chorus

He sits at God's right hand
Till all his foes submit
And bow to his command
And fall beneath his feet

Chorus
Lift up your heart
Lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

Rejoice in glorious hope
Our Lord the Judge shall come
And take his servants up to
Their eternal home

Chorus

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
Confession of Faith
8.1

Leader: Why did God send to us Jesus Christ?

All: In his eternal purpose it pleased God to choose and ordain the Lord Jesus, his only begotten Son, to be the mediator between God and man. Jesus is the Prophet, Priest, and King, the Head and Savior of his church, the Heir of all things, and Judge of the world. From all eternity God gave him a people to be his seed and to be in time redeemed, called, justified, sanctified, and glorified by him.

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

Chorus

Call to Confession

Matthew 5:20;
James 2:10

Leader: For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and the Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.

**Public
Confession**

Adapted from the
*Book of Common
Worship, 1946*

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: Eternal and Almighty Father, we acknowledge and confess before your holy majesty that we are poor sinners, conceived and born in guilt and corruption, prone to evil, unable of ourselves to do any good; who, by reason of our sinfulness, transgress your holy commandments. O Lord, with heartfelt sorrow we repent and deplore our offenses! Be pleased then to have compassion on us, Father of all mercies, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And in removing our guilt and corruption, grant us the daily empowering of your Holy Spirit that we might put to death the sin that is within us and bear all the fruit of the Spirit in our daily lives. We trust you for this grace on the basis of the life, death, and resurrection of our Lord, Jesus Christ. In his name we pray, Amen.

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

1 Peter 2:24

Leader: Jesus himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

Pastoral Prayer

**Tithes &
Offerings**

**Musical
Offering**

(8:30) I Set My Hope
(11:00) Christ Is All

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

“The Sin and Destruction of Sodom—Part 2”

Genesis 19:1-29

Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Song

Be Thou My Vision

Be thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping thy presence my light

Be thou my wisdom and thou my true Word
I ever with thee and thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father I thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with thee one

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure thou art

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys
O bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

Benediction

Postlude

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Bach: Trio in G Major

Announcements

- Women's Retreat** Ladies, join us for our Women's Retreat March 28–30 at Camp Allen with guest speaker Sarah Morris! Learn more, view a video message from Sarah, and register online at cpchouston.org/retreat.
- Meet CPC Weekend** If you want to learn more about our church to help determine if it is a good fit for you, we invite you to register for our next Meet CPC Weekend. We will meet on Friday, April 4, 6:30–8:30 pm beginning with dinner. We gather together again on Saturday, April 5, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Register online at cpchouston.org/meet-cpc.
- Family Ministry Social** Join us for our Family Ministry Social Saturday, April 5, at 5 pm at Kirby Ice House. Childcare and student events will be provided at CPC. Learn more and register online at cpchouston.org/social.
- Palm Sunday Picnic** Bring your family and friends and join us for a church picnic on Palm Sunday, April 13, at the conclusion of the 11 am worship service! We will enjoy delicious food and fellowship. Children will enjoy an egg hunt and fun family games. Please sign up online at cpchouston.org/picnic.
- Men's Steak Night** Men, come for a great time of fellowship and great food Friday, April 25! Details & registration: cpchouston.org/steak
- CPC Grand Prix Summer Camp** Save the date for our CPC Grand Prix Summer Camp June 10-13! We invite rising kindergarten students through fifth graders to be part of this fun-filled camp. Register today at cpchouston.org/camp.
- 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. Register online at cpchouston.org/mo-ranch.
- 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 this spring! Pastor Richard Harris leads 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.

Announcements

- 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.
- Give Online** Visit cpchouston.org/give to give online.

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