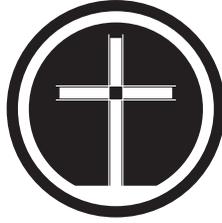


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Prelude

Bach: Lord Jesus Christ, Be With Us Now

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 100:1-4

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!
Serve the LORD with gladness!
Come into his presence with singing!
Know that the LORD, he is God!
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise!
Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Let us worship the Lord together!

Hymn of Praise

My Hope Is In The
Lord

My hope is in the Lord
Who gave himself for me
And paid the price
Of all my sin at Calvary

Chorus
For me he died
For me he lives
And everlasting life
And light he freely gives

No merit of my own
His anger to suppress
My only hope is found
In Jesus' righteousness

Chorus

And now for me he stands
Before the Father's throne
He shows his wounded hands
And names me as his own

Chorus
For me he died
For me he lives
And everlasting life
And light he freely gives

His grace has planned it all
'Tis mine but to believe
And recognize his work of love
And Christ receive

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 Psalm 23

Leader: The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

People: **He makes me lie down in green pastures.**

Leader: He leads me beside still waters.

People: **He restores my soul.**

Leader: He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake.

People: **Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil, for you are with me;**

Leader: Your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

People: You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;

Leader: My cup overflows.

All: Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my
life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

Hymn
Christ The Sure And
Steady Anchor

Christ the sure and steady anchor
In the fury of the storm
When the winds of doubt blow through me
And my sails have all been torn

In the suffering in the sorrow
When my sinking hopes are few
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
While the tempest rages on
When temptation claims the battle
And it seems the night has won

Deeper still then goes the anchor
Though I justly stand accused
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
Through the floods of unbelief
Hopeless somehow O my soul now
Lift your eyes to Calvary

This my ballast of assurance
See his love forever proved
I will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor
As we face the wave of death
When these trials give way to glory
And we draw our final breath

We will cross that great horizon
Clouds behind and life secured
And the calm will be the better
For the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation
Ever faithful ever true
We will hold fast to the anchor
It shall never be removed

**Call to
Confession**

Matthew 22:36-40

Leader: "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets."

**Public
Confession**

Richard Baxter
[1615-1691]

Leader: Let us confess our sins together.

All: O most great, most just and gracious God; you are of purer eyes than to behold iniquity; but you have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all who repent and believe in him. Therefore, we confess that we are sinful by nature and that we have all sinned and come short of the glory of God. We have neglected and abused your holy worship and your holy name. We have dealt unjustly and uncharitably with our neighbors. We have not sought first your kingdom and righteousness. We have not been content with our daily bread.

You have revealed your wonderful love to us in Christ and offered us pardon and salvation in him; but we have turned away. We have run into temptation; and the sin that we should have hated, we have committed. Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father! We confess you alone are our hope. Make us your children and give us the Spirit of your Son, our only Savior. Amen

**Silent
Confession**

**Assurance of
Pardon and
Comfort**

Romans 6:5-7

Leader: If we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin.

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

People: Thanks be to God!

(11:00)

**Recognition
of High School
Seniors**

Tithes & Offerings

**Musical
Offering**
Give Me Jesus

In the morning when I rise
In the morning when I rise
In the morning when I rise
Give me Jesus

Chorus
Give me Jesus
Give me Jesus
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

When I am alone
When I am alone
Oh when I am alone
Give me Jesus

Chorus

When I come to die
When I come to die
Oh when I come to die
Give me Jesus

Chorus

Give me Jesus
Give me Jesus
You can have all this world
You can have all this world
You can have all this world
Just give me Jesus

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

“Sarah’s Death and Burial”

Genesis 23

Rev. Richard Harris

Closing Song

Come Behold The
Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous myst’ry
In the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven’s praises
Robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness
Now the Light of Life has come
Look to Christ who condescended
Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst’ry
He the perfect Son of Man
In his living in his suff’ring
Never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam
Come to save the hellbound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment
Of the law in him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst’ry
Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners
Hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption
See the Father’s plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory
Grace unmeasured love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst’ry
Slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e’er restrain him
Praise the Lord he is alive
What a foretaste of deliv’rance
How unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected
As we will be when he comes

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Benediction

Postlude

Louis Vierne: Finale from Symphony 1

Announcements

- City Group Lunch** Please join us for a City Group lunch at 12:30 pm on Sunday, May 4. If you are not currently in a City Group and would like to learn more about City Groups and how to join one, this lunch is for you! Please visit cpchouston.org/lunch to sign up.
- 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 or sign up to volunteer 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.
- 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 more information please 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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ON CALL APRIL 27

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