
preparing our hearts

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, for all that is in the heavens and in the earth is yours. Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and you are exalted as head above all.

– 1 Chronicles 29:11 ESV

** call to worship

Leader: We call upon you, for you will answer us, O God;

All: **Incline your ear to us; hear our words.**

Leader: Wondrously show your steadfast love,

All: **O Savior of those who seek refuge...**

– From Psalm 17:6-7 ESV

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: **Alleluia! Christ is risen indeed!**

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! How the heavenly 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 throughout eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his burning eye at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
And 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 years, the Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
Thy praise shall never, never fail throughout eternity!

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Leader: Father in heaven, you alone are all-knowing. You alone are perfectly wise. Receive this worship from vessels like us, weak and frail as we are, because it depends not upon us, but upon your worth. Perfect us, though we are slow to move, because it depends not on our will but yours. Grant us your sufficient grace, though our faith is small, because it depends not on our strength, but upon your powerful Spirit. Be our all, for all we offer you must provide. Be our all, for when we have you, we need nothing else. We pray this in the name of Jesus, who with you and the Holy Spirit, reigns forever and ever. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

**All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
And born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
And is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again 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.**

* Here, "catholic" means "universal," and refers to the Christian church in all places

JESUS! WHAT A FRIEND FOR SINNERS!

Jesus! What a friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole. *

** Chorus:*

Hallelujah! What a Savior! Hallelujah! What a friend!
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.

Jesus! What a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him.
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my victory wins. *

Jesus! What a help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll,
Even when my heart is breaking, he, my comfort, helps my soul. *

Jesus! I do now receive him. More than all in him I find.
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine. *

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: You have said, “Seek my face.” My heart says to you, “Your face, LORD, do I seek.”
Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have
been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!

— Psalm 27:8-9 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: **Lord of all love and goodness,
Whose steadfast love is unfailing and unending,
Forgive us, your children, for we have sinned against you.
We have been like Judas, loving our own plans more than you;
We have been like Peter, loving our own strength more than you.
We have been like the Pharisees, loving our own righteousness
At the expense of despising our neighbor.
But you have loved us while we were yet far off,
And Christ died for us while we were yet sinners.
Therefore, cause us to repent of the love of our design
That we might be remade by the love of our Savior,
And be directed to love our neighbors as he did.
In Jesus’ name we pray, Amen.**

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be
the propitiation for our sins.

— 1 John 4:10 ESV

All: **Thanks be to the Risen Lamb!**

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 and 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.

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Leader: Deuteronomy 6:1-9
This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

prayer

An officer of the church prays for the world, nation, community, and church.

Leader: All these mercies we ask in the name of Jesus, who prayed saying,

**All: Our Father who is in heaven, hallowed be your name;
Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
Forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors,
Do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever, Amen.**

** passing the peace

Leader: Jesus said, “Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.” In a world filled with trouble, let us encourage one another to look to the one who has overcome the world. May the peace of Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

An elder will lead the passing of the peace. If you are joining us from your home, please unmute yourself so that you can greet one another. If you are gathered here with us today, greet one another warmly with the peace of Christ while being careful to practice safe social distancing.

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Sermon | “Walking in Love”

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Ephesians 4:25- 5:2 ^{ESV} | 25 Therefore, having put away falsehood, let each one of you speak the truth with his neighbor, for we are members one of another. 26 Be angry and do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, 27 and give no opportunity to the devil. 28 Let the thief no longer steal, but rather let him labor, doing honest work with his own hands, so that he may have something to share with anyone in need. 29 Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear. 30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. 31 Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. 32 Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.

5:1 Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. 2 And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

1. Why We Can Walk in Love
2. How We Walk in Love
3. The Carrot of Grace

**** gospel charge**

Leader: But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.
For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like.

All: **But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing.**

– Based on James 1:22-25_{ESV}

WELCOME TO HIS TABLE

The Lord's Supper is a family meal for Christians — a time when we delight in Christ and in the good news that His work alone has made us right with God. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone as their Savior, belong to a church that embraces the gospel, and seek strength to live more faithfully to Christ are invited to participate. If you are not a Christian, or if you are not prepared to share in this meal, please use this time to meditate on the following prayer.

Lord Jesus Christ, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever dared admit, but through you I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank you for paying my debt on the cross, taking what I deserved in order to offer me complete forgiveness. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and Lord. Amen.

Please remain seated for communion. As a symbol of our unity in Christ, please wait until everyone has been served the elements, and we will all partake together. There are two tabs on the communion sets. The clear tab on top opens the bread. The tab underneath opens the grape juice.

Please hold on to your materials to dispose of on your way out of the sanctuary. If you have a gluten allergy, please indicate this when prompted and to your server, to receive a gluten-free wafer. During the celebration of communion, we will sing the printed hymn.

NOTE TO PARENTS: *To receive communion, a child must have been baptized, publicly professed their faith in Christ, and been formally received as a communing member by the elders of this church or the governing body of the church to which you belong. We look forward to welcoming your children to the table when they come to this point and ask that you speak to the pastor when you feel your child is ready to begin the process of becoming a communing member.*

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

And as they were eating, he took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to them, and said, “Take; this is my body.” And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he gave it to them, and they all drank of it. And he said to them, “This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many.”

– Mark 14:22-24^{ESV}

Minister: Let us lift up our hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks to our Lord God.

All: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Minister: Let us pray.

All: O Lord and heavenly Father, when we celebrate and observe this memorial your Son has commended to us, we remember his suffering and death, his mighty resurrection, and glorious ascension; and we await his coming again with power and great glory. God of Mercy, hear our prayer and by your Word and Holy Spirit bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the body and blood of your dear Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Holy Name.

Minister: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Minister: Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life.
Lord Jesus, come in glory.

**All: When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
We proclaim your death, Lord Jesus, until you come again.**

Minister: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

As the elements are distributed, sing as one body, affirming that in Christ we are united to him and to one another.

AND CAN IT BE

And can it be that I should gain an interest in the Savior's blood?
Died he for me, who caused his pain? For me, who him to death pursued?
Amazing love! how can it be that thou, my God, should die for me? *

** Chorus:*

Amazing love! how can it be
That thou, my God, should die for me!

He left his Father's throne above, so free, so infinite his grace;
Emptied himself of all but love, and bled for Adam's helpless race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me. *

Long my imprisoned spirit lay, fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray; I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
My chains fell off, my heart was free; I rose, went forth, and followed thee. *

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in him is mine!
Alive in him, my living head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
Bold I approach th' eternal throne, and claim the crown, through Christ my own. *

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As you are able, please continue to joyfully give to the work of the Lord through our church by giving [online](#) or depositing your offering in the box with the deacon.

Note: [Other ways to give](#), including mailing a check to the office, are available.

JESUS, I MY CROSS HAVE TAKEN

Jesus, I my cross have taken, all to leave and follow thee.
Destitute, despised, forsaken, thou from hence my all shall be.
Perish every fond ambition, all I've sought or hoped or known.
Yet how rich is my condition! God and heaven are still my own.

Let the world despise and leave me; they have left my Savior, too.
Human hearts and looks deceive me; thou art not, like them, untrue.
O while thou dost smile upon me, God of wisdom, love, and might,
Foes may hate and friends disown me, show thy face and all is bright.

Go, then, earthly fame and treasure; come disaster, scorn and pain.
In thy service pain is pleasure; with thy favor loss is gain.
I have called thee Abba Father; I have stayed my heart on thee.
Storms may howl and clouds may gather; all must work for good to me.

Soul, then know thy full salvation. Rise o'er sin and fear and care.
Joy to find in every station, something still to do or bear.
Think what Spirit dwells within thee, think what Father's smiles are thine,
Think that Jesus died to win thee; child of heaven, canst thou repine?

Haste thee on from grace to glory, armed by faith, and winged by prayer.
Heaven's eternal days before thee; God's own hand shall guide us there.
Soon shall close thy earthly mission, soon shall pass thy pilgrim days,
Hope shall change to glad fruition, faith to sight, and prayer to praise.

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**** benediction**

Leader: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

All: Alleluia! He is risen, indeed!

****doxology**

All: 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.

for first-time visitors

Whether you are visiting us from out of town or looking for a church to call home, we're so glad to have you with us. Please fill out a visitor card, located at the entrance by the bulletins.

SEASON OF PRAYER

Please join us as we lift up our church and ask for God's leading and provision during an 8-week season of focused prayer. Pick up the insert with suggested prayers for each day of the week at the back bulletin table. Keep this and put it in a visible place as a reminder to be in prayer with your CPC family! During this season, there will be Zoom prayer meetings three times a week (**Mondays at 9a, Wednesdays at 12p, and Fridays at 7p**) to specifically pray for staffing and building needs. You can find these links in the weekly e-mail and join in any that fit your schedule. **Contact Jeanne Dillinger** (CPC Prayer Ministry Leader, prayer@cpcgeorgetown.org), **Ginny Thomas** (Building Team Prayer Coordinator, ginnythomas10@gmail.com), or **Larry Lorimor** (Prayer Ministry Elder, larry.lorimor@gmail.com) for more information.

CENTEX MINI GOLF | MAY 1

Men (youth and adult!) - If you couldn't make it to the Top Golf event, or just need more golf in your life, then join us at **Centex Mini Golf** (5020 Airport Road, Georgetown) on **Saturday, May 1, 1040a!** Please plan to chip in \$5 per person, and bring a mask to wear in the check-in area. **RSVP to the coming Evite** or **contact James Schell** (wjamesschell@gmail.com) or **Brandon Flynn** (youth@cpcgeorgetown.org) with questions.

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER | MAY 6

Join in Georgetown's National Day of Prayer, **Thursday, May 6, 630-730p.** We will meet on the east lawn and parking lot of **Crestview Baptist Church** (2300 Williams Drive, Georgetown). The event will happen rain or shine and be broadcast "drive-in" style to your car radio in the lot, or you can bring a lawn chair and sit under the big oak tree. **For more information contact Ann Wilkes** (annwlkspt@yahoo.com).

youth bible study

CPC Youth (Grades 6-12) - We meet on Zoom every **Wednesday at 730p** to study the Bible together. We are just beginning a new study on the "Stories of Jesus," so if you're not already joining us, now is a great time to start! **Contact Brandon Flynn** (youth@cpcgeorgetown.org) for more information or to be added to the youth newsletter.

adult sunday school

Adult Sunday school meets **Sundays at 1030a** via Zoom. This semester's study, "Salt and Light," will look at our call to understand and engage the culture with the gospel. Upcoming topics include:

- April 25: Overview - Apologetics in the Bible and the Master Apologist
- May 2: Paul, Athens, and the Areopagus
- May 9 & May 16: Paul before the Areopagus
- May 23: Semester Summary

assistant pastor search update

The Search Committee has been formed to find an Assistant Pastor of Discipleship and Church Planting at CPC. The members of this committee are Brandon Flynn, Ethan Hoke, Lane Joffrion, Gary Britigan, Ginny Thomas, and Poem Turner. Please feel free to contact any member of the committee if you have any questions about this search or if you have any ideas or opinions to share with the committee to assist us with our search. The search committee would also appreciate any suggestions on how we could enhance and grow the CPC community during this process.