

**PENTECOST SUNDAY** | *In Christian tradition, Pentecost Sunday is called the “birthday of the church,” because on this day Jesus poured out upon the church his promised Holy Spirit, by whom his followers were empowered to carry on Christ’s redemptive work. Pentecost had been a Jewish feast that celebrated the sealing of the Old Covenant at Mt. Sinai, but from that day forward, believers would celebrate the sealing of the New Covenant by the Holy Spirit and the inauguration of Christ’s Church. In part, Jesus died and rose again to give us his Spirit, assuring us until the end of the age that we share in the life and work of our Lord.*

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## preparing our hearts

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

– Titus 3:4-7 ESV

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## \*\* call to worship

*Leader:* Thus says God, the LORD, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it,

**All:** **Who gives breath to the people on it and spirit to those who walk in it:**

*Leader:* “I am the LORD; I have called you in righteousness; I will take you by the hand and keep you[.]”

– Isaiah 42:5-6a ESV

**All:** **The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.”**

– Revelation 22:17 ESV

\*\* Please stand if you are able

## O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

O, for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer's praise,  
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of his grace!

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
To spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease;  
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the prisoner free;  
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

Hear him, ye deaf; his praise, ye dumb, your loosened tongues employ;  
Ye blind, behold your Savior come, and leap, ye lame, for joy.

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## \*\* prayer of invocation

*Leader:* O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to behold your light, to receive your truth and to rejoice in your holy comfort; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, we pray, Amen.

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## \*\* affirmation of faith

*Leader:* Christian, do you believe and trust in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**All:** We believe and trust in him.

*Leader:* Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us, and rose again?

**All:** We believe and trust in him.

*Leader:* Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

**All:** We believe and trust in him.

*Leader:* This is the faith of the Church.

**All:** This is our faith. We believe and trust in one God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;

Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,

Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;

Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, which wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,

Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see;

Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee, perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!

All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth, and sky, and sea;

Holy, holy, holy; merciful and mighty! God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

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## CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Leader:* The Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

– Romans 8:26-27 ESV

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**All:** **Father, because your grace to us in Christ bids us come,  
We come boldly to your throne of grace.  
There, grant us the aid of the Holy Spirit, the helper you sent us.  
In our flesh, we lack insight. By your Spirit, help us see past the surface  
To the wayward thoughts and intentions of our hearts,  
And by him, grant us strength to reject them.  
In our flesh, we avoid you, or we try to appease you by vain effort.  
By your Spirit, grant us confidence that in Christ,  
You have made peace with us,  
And that if the Son has set us free, we are free indeed.  
In our flesh, we doubt and are tossed about like waves;  
But by your Spirit, we are comforted by your presence and promise.  
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ,  
Who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.**

*Please reflect and silently confess your sins.*

## ASSURANCE OF GRACE \*\*

*Leader:* The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ...

– Romans 8:16-17 ESV

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

## MIGHTY TO SAVE

Everyone needs compassion, a love that's never failing; let mercy fall on me.  
Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Savior; the hope of nations.\*

*\* Chorus:*

Savior, he can move the mountains, my God is mighty to save,  
He is mighty to save.  
Forever, Author of salvation, he rose and conquered the grave,  
Jesus conquered the grave.

So take me as you find me, all my fears and failures; fill my life again.  
I give my life to follow; everything I believe in now I surrender.\*

*Bridge:*

Shine your light and let the whole world see,  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus;  
Shine your light and let the whole world see,  
We're singing for the glory of the risen King. \*

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*Leader:* Ezekiel 36:24-36  
This is the Word of the Lord.

**All: Thanks be to God!**

*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.**

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## missionary update

JOHN & KATHY CLOW

*John and Kathy Clow are MTW missionaries who have served in Mexico and Honduras. John is currently the country director for Honduras and oversees ministries in both Tegucigalpa and La Ceiba. John and Kathy will be talking about their ministry in today's service. They are currently on home assignment and will be returning to Honduras this fall for the first time as empty nesters. Their four children will remain in the States either working or in college.*

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## \*\* 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.*

**Series** | “The Glory of Christ in the Life of the Church”

**Sermon** | “Perspective For Parents & Children”

**May 23, 2021**

**Ephesians 6:1-4** <sup>ESV</sup> | 1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right. 2 “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), 3 “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” 4 Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

*Leader:* This is the Word of the Lord.

**All:** **Thanks be to God!**



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**\*\* 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

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## 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.*

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## 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. Since your Son Jesus Christ ordained the holy supper to strengthen our faith, we pray that through your Holy Spirit, this supper may increase our faith and enrich our fellowship with Christ. May you also use this proclamation of our Lord’s death and resurrection to bring others into this blessed fellowship, so that all your children may be gathered in to share with us the joy of your salvation. Hear us, Heavenly Father, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*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.*

## AMAZING GRACE

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;  
How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come;  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me; his Word my hope secures.  
He will my shield and portion be as long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,  
We've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

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## **\*\* offering & song of thanksgiving**

*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.*

### TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to thee. Take my moments and my days;  
Let them flow in ceaseless praise. Let them flow in ceaseless praise.

Take my voice and let me sing always, only, for my King. Take my lips and let them be  
Filled with messages from thee, filled with messages from thee.

Take my will and make it thine; it shall be no longer mine. Take my heart, it is thine own;  
It shall be thy royal throne, it shall be thy royal throne.

Take my love; my Lord, I pour at thy feet its treasure store. Take myself and I will be  
Ever, only, all for thee; ever, only, all for thee.

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## **\*\* benediction**

*Leader:* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

**All:** Alleluia! He is risen, indeed!

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## **\*\* 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. 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, as well as the daily prayer reminder card, 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.

**2021 BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER**

Join us in supporting the work of the Pregnancy Help Center of Williamson County! You will help to provide free parenting classes, spiritual encouragement, maternity and baby supplies, and a hand of friendship to local men and women in crisis. Most importantly, you enable the center to continue sharing the hope and love of Christ with those considering abortion, helping them to choose life for their unborn children. Please pick up a baby bottle today and begin filling it with coins, currency, or a check. **Return the bottles by June 20** (Father's Day). Visit [www.phcwc.com](http://www.phcwc.com) for more information about this life-giving ministry or to give an online donation! You may also make your donation on the CPC giving page designating it for PHC-WC by selecting the fund for the Pregnancy Help Center Baby Bottle Fundraiser.

**WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY**

Ladies, you're all invited to join PCA women across the world as we gather virtually during June and July for a study based on Susan Tyner's soon-to-be-released book *What's SHE Doing Here? The Messy Women in Jesus's Genealogy*. Registration to receive access to free videos, discussion questions, and other relational events can be found at <https://pcacdm.org/messy>. You can purchase a print copy of the book through the PCA Bookstore. If you're interested in joining or hosting a CPC-based small group to watch and discuss the teaching videos/book, **please contact Jan Windsor** (jan.windsor@gmail.com) with your preferences (in-person or online) and availability times. It's a great opportunity to invite a friend!

**save the dates**

CPC Women's Ministry is planning three Fellowship Gatherings this summer: A Morning Coffee on **Monday, June 7**, a Luncheon on **Monday, July 12**, and a Ladies' Dinner Out on **Monday, August 2**. Look for Evites with details soon.

**volunteer opportunity | cpc nursery coordinator**

Providing care for the youngest members of CPC is a vital ministry of the church. The nursery coordinator provides leadership to paid staff and volunteers who provide a safe and loving environment for children ages 0-2 during the worship service each week. The coordinator oversees staff and volunteers, ensures that procedures and policies are being followed, and communicates with parents. If you love children and want to know more about this ministry opportunity, **please contact David Moore** (dinty44@yahoo.com) or **Jan Windsor** (jan.windsor@gmail.com).

**adult sunday school**

Adult Sunday school is on break. Look for next semester's information coming soon!

**thank you to our volunteers!**

CPC is so grateful for all of its volunteers! Thank you all for the energy and passion you put into the church and its ministries. Your remarkable efforts and devoted servant's hearts do not go unnoticed. Even in a year disrupted by the pandemic, the many moving parts of CPC had volunteers silently and cheerfully keeping things running. Thank you for all the energy and love you all have put into CPC!