
prelude

As the music plays, please quietly prepare your heart and mind for worship, lifting your thoughts up from the cares of this world.

preparing our hearts

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

– Colossians 3:1-2_{ESV}

**** call to worship**

Leader: Serve the LORD with gladness! Come into his presence with singing! Know that the LORD, he is God!

All: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

All: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Leader: For the LORD is good;

All: His steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

– Psalm 100:2-5_{ESV}

** Please stand if you are able

FAIREST LORD JESUS

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O thou of God and man the Son,
Thee will I cherish, thee will I honor, thou, my soul's glory, joy and crown.

Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing.

Beautiful Savior! Lord of all the nations! Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forever more be thine.

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** prayer of invocation

Leader: O Lord our God, who is always more ready to bestow your good gifts upon us than we are to seek them, and who is more willing to give more than we desire or deserve: help us to seek you that we may truly find you, to ask that we may joyfully receive, and to knock that the door of your mercy may be opened for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

** affirmation of faith

Leader: Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,
All: **Though he was in the form of God,
He did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,
But emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant,
Being born in the likeness of men.
And being found in human form, he humbled himself
By becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.
Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him
The name that is above every name,
So that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,
In heaven and on earth and under the earth,
And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
To the glory of God the Father.**

– Philippians 2:5-11 ESV

I WILL GLORY IN MY REDEEMER

I will glory in my Redeemer, whose priceless blood has ransomed me.
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails and hung him on that judgment tree.
I will glory in my Redeemer, who crushed the power of sin and death;
My only Savior before the Holy Judge:
The Lamb who is my righteousness; the Lamb who is my righteousness.

I will glory in my Redeemer; my life he bought, my love he owns.
I have no longings for another; I'm satisfied in him alone.
I will glory in my Redeemer; his faithfulness my standing place.
Though foes are mighty and rush upon me,
My feet are firm, held by his grace; my feet are firm, held by his grace.

I will glory in my Redeemer, who carries me on eagle's wings.
He crowns my life with lovingkindness; his triumph song I'll ever sing.
I will glory in my Redeemer, who waits for me at gates of gold;
And when he calls me, it will be paradise –
His face forever to behold; his face forever to behold.

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CORPORATE CONFESSION OF SIN

Leader: Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

– Psalm 139:23-24_{ESV}

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

All: Lord of everlasting covenant, have mercy on us.

We have broken our covenant with you and have turned our hearts from true worship and loving obedience. Instead, we have allied ourselves with false gods and have lived for their false promises. We live like we belong to this world, rather than to your kingdom.

Forgive us the sins that issue from our wayward hearts – sins against you and against our neighbor; for both by our actions and our attitudes, by what we have done and left undone, we have failed you and failed our neighbors.

But, we thank you, gracious God, that you grant our pardon because of Christ, who kept the covenant perfectly and for our sake. Grant that we would live in the service and peace of our True King, living as citizens of heaven from now until our feet are set there forever. In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

Please reflect and silently confess your sins.

ASSURANCE OF GRACE **

Leader: “For the mountains may depart and the hills be removed, but my steadfast love shall not depart from you, and my covenant of peace shall not be removed,” says the LORD, who has compassion on you.

– Isaiah 54:10_{ESV}

All: Thanks be to God.

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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scripture reading

Leader: Psalm 34:1-15
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.**

building what matters reflection

JAMES & IRA SCHELL

** 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.

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Matthew 6:19-34 ESV | 19 “Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, 20 but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. 21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

22 “The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is healthy, your whole body will be full of light, 23 but if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness!

24 “No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.

25 “Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? 26 Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? 27 And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? 28 And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, 29 yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. 30 But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? 31 Therefore do not be anxious, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ 32 For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. 33 But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

34 “Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.”

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

**** song of response**

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 hands and let them move at the impulse of thy love. Take my feet and let them be
Swift and beautiful for thee, swift and beautiful for thee.

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.

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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.*

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.

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 seems to hide his face, I rest on his unchanging grace.
In every rough and stormy gale my anchor holds within the veil. *

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. *

When he shall come with trumpet sound, oh, may I then in him be found;
Dressed in his righteousness alone, faultless to stand before the throne. *

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The offering is a vital part of our response to God's grace provided for us in the preaching of his word and administration of the Lord's Supper. Our tithes and offerings represent the entirety of our lives being consecrated to the Lord Jesus Christ and the coming of his kingdom to this world. As God's grace is freely given to us, so our gifts are freely returned, and in no way add to but are only a response to the supremely adequate work of Christ's atonement.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Leader: Let us with gladness present the tithes and offerings of our life and labor to the Lord.

All: *(singing Gloria Patri)*

Glo-ry be to the Fa-ther, and to the Son, and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the be-

gin-ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men, a - men.

LORD, DISMISS US WITH YOUR BLESSING



Lord, dis-miss us— with your bless-ing; fill our hearts with joy and peace;
Thanks we give and ad - o - ra - tion for your gos - pel's joy - ful sound;



Let us each, your love pos - sess - ing, tri - umph in re - deem - ing grace.
May the fruits of your sal - va - tion in our hearts and lives a - bound.



O re - fresh us, O re - fresh us, trav - el - ing through this wil - der - ness.
Ev - er faith - ful, ev - er faith - ful, to your truth may we be found.

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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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL | SEPTEMBER 12

CPC Sunday School for fall 2021 resumes on **Sunday, September 12, 915a** at Pickett Elementary. Please join us for the following classes:

- **3 years - Kindergarten:** "God, Our Faithful Creator"
- **Grades 1-5:** "Worshiping God: The Joys and Duty of Worship"
- **Grades 6-12:** "Sanctification: Becoming Who We Were Made to Be"
- **Adults:** "John" - Revisit many familiar events in Jesus' life as told by the disciple that Jesus loved. John himself writes of his gospel: "these things were written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."

BUILDING WHAT MATTERS CONTINUES

CPC's "Building What Matters" generosity initiative, which began last Sunday, will conclude on **September 26** with a celebratory meal. Some CPC families are choosing to make their financial commitment to the generosity initiative in advance of the conclusion on September 26. If you would like to participate in such an opportunity, **please contact Lane Joffrion** (lj@2joffs.net).

ATTENTION PARENTS

We are so happy to be back to morning worship! However, there are a few things we need to make note of for this new space:

- Please do not let your child climb on the rock wall in the gym.
- All sports equipment / balls need to be returned to the storage closet.
- Please make sure your child knows not to open the garage overhead door in the gym.
- Keep children away from the stage, storage rooms, and away from the ramp leading to the stage. We have equipment that can hurt them and get damaged. Thank you for your help watching out for our young believers!

fall women's bible study

We are looking forward to our fall women's Bible study starting the week of September 20. We will have a study on Mondays, 930a, meeting at Pickett Elementary and a study on Thursday evenings. We are excited to study the book *A Place to Belong: Learning to Love the Local Church* by Megan Hill. Please order your books as soon as possible so you will be able to dive into the first chapter for our first meeting. Let us know if you plan to join us for either study and if you will need childcare for the Monday morning study. Questions? **Contact Shelie Moore** (sheliemoore@gmail.com), **Suzanne Joffrion** (women@cpcgeorgetown.org) or **Ginny Thomas** (ginnythomas10@gmail.com).

men's retreat at m&m ranch | october 2

Calling ALL men. We will all be gathering out at David Moore's property in Lometa, **Saturday, October 2** for a day of fellowship. We'll share a meal together, make sure our guns still work, and just hang out. Agenda: free for all. No age restriction on this gathering, the boys are welcome too! We will be enlisting the help of a few guys that think they can cook some meat - we will put your skills to the test. An invitation will be going out in the coming weeks, but for now be sure to **SAVE THE DATE**.

the journey group

We can still accept 2-3 more guys for the fall Journey Group. What is The Journey? The Journey is a Gospel centered resource for discipleship that is designed to help a disciple maker develop mature and equipped followers of Christ, who will be able to do the same with others. This group is for men of all ages at any point in their walk with Christ. **Talk to David Ensley** (ensley87@gmail.com) **or James Schell** (wjameschell@gmail.com) to learn more.

logistics volunteers needed

CPC needs volunteers to help with the setup required for Sunday worship service. Setting up for worship each Sunday is a big job, and the more volunteers we have, the easier the workload! If you would like to volunteer for this service to the church, **please contact Bryan Herron** (braider3838@gmail.com).