



THE LORD'S SERVICE

October 11, 2026

PRELUDE

WELCOME

Pastor Travis Hutchinson

GOD
CALLS
US

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP

Only God Himself can call
us into worship. He sets
the terms for worship
because, through His Son,
He makes worship possible.

**The congregation speaks
the print in bold.**

* The congregation is
invited to stand.

INVOCATION

This prayer addresses God
in three persons, asking
Him to be present with
us in worship to help
us worship Him according
to His will.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 117.1-2

Praise the LORD, all nations!

Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,
and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

Praise the LORD!

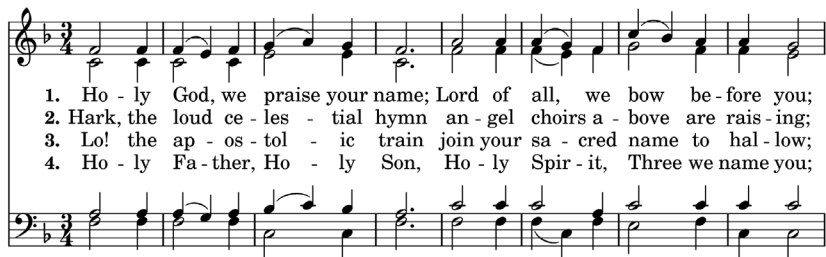
*INVOCATION

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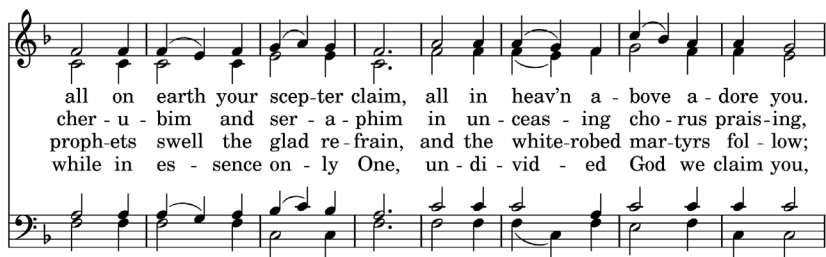
*HYMN OF ADORATION

Holy God, We Praise Your Name

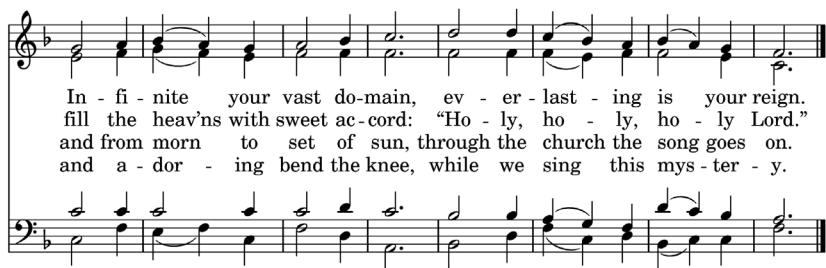
Hymnal No.103



1. Ho - ly God, we praise your name; Lord of all, we bow be - fore you;
2. Hark, the loud ce - les - tial hymn an - gel choirs a - bove are rais - ing;
3. Lo! the ap - os - tol - ic train join your sa - cred name to hal - low;
4. Ho - ly Fa - ther, Ho - ly Son, Ho - ly Spir - it, Three we name you;



all on earth your scep - ter claim, all in heav'n a - bove a - dore you.
cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim in un - ceas - ing cho - rus prais - ing,
proph - ets swell the glad re - frain, and the white - robed mar - tyrs fol - low;
while in es - sence on - ly One, un - di - vid - ed God we claim you,



In - fi - nite your vast do - main, ev - er - last - ing is your reign.
fill the heav'ns with sweet ac - cord: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord."
and from morn to set of sun, through the church the song goes on.
and a - dor - ing bend the knee, while we sing this mys - ter - y.

GOD CLEANSES US

CALL TO CONFESSION

As we see God in His
invitation and our praise,
we cannot help but see
how we have fallen short.
God's Holy Scripture has
the authority to reveal us to
ourselves and transition our
hearts to confession.

CORPORATE CONFESSION

We sin in thought, word,
and deed every week. We
confess in prayer both
corporately and privately as
people equally in need of
God's grace.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Holy Scripture assures
Christians, sinners saved by
grace, that they are united
to Jesus in His death and
resurrection.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

In Christ, we are one family.
In this moment, we extend
His peace with a smile, a
smile, or a simple greeting.
We do this to remind one
another of the grace we
have received and now
share with each other.

Please stand and extend
God's peace to those
around you.

CALL TO CONFESSION

Romans 5.8, Hebrews 4.16

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners,
Christ died for us.

**Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may
receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.**

CORPORATE CONFESSION

Heinrich Bullinger, Zürich (1535)

**We, poor sinners, confess ourselves before you, our Lord God and Maker,
that, sadly, we have sinned much with our thoughts, words, and deeds,
as you, eternal God, know very well. We regret them and beg your grace.
Amen.**

PRIVATE CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Psalms 40.11

Lift up your heads and hearts to hear the Good News:

“As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your
steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!”

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you!

And also with you!

*HYMN OF ASSURANCE

More Love to Thee
Hymnal No.649, verses 1&4

1. More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!
2. Once earth - ly joy I craved, sought peace and rest;
3. Let sor - row do its work, send grief and pain;
4. Then shall my lat - est breath whis - per thy praise;

Hear thou the prayer I make on bend - ed knee;
now thee a - lone I seek; give what is best;
sweet are thy mes - sen - gers, send their re - frain,
this be the part - ing cry my heart shall raise,

REFRAIN

this is my ear - nest plea,
this all my prayer shall be, more love, O Christ, to thee,
when they can sing with me,
this still its prayer shall be,

more love to thee, more love to thee!

Elizabeth Payson Prentiss, 1869

MORE LOVE TO THEE 6.4.6.4.6.6.4.4.
William H. Doane, 1868

To God Be the Glory
Hymnal No.55

1. To God be the glo - ry, great things he has done! So loved he the
 2. O per - fect re - demp - tion, the pur - chase of blood! To ev - 'ry be -
 3. Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our re -

world that he gave us his Son, who yield - ed his life an a -
 liev - er the prom - ise of God; the vil - est of - fend - er who
 joic - ing through Je - sus the Son; but pur - er and high - er and

tone - ment for sin, and o - pened the life - gate that we may go in.
 tru - ly be - lieves, that mo - ment from Je - sus for - give - ness re - ceives.
 great - er will be our won - der, our trans - port, when Je - sus we see.

REFRAIN
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Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord,



SCRIPTURE LESSON

Psalm 25.1-10 (p.459)
Elder Will McDaniel

- ¹ To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- ² O my God, in you I trust;
let me not be put to shame;
let not my enemies exult over me.
- ³ Indeed, none who wait for you shall be put to shame;
they shall be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.
- ⁴ Make me to know your ways, O Lord;
teach me your paths.
- ⁵ Lead me in your truth and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all the day long.
- ⁶ Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.
- ⁷ Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!

GOD
CONSECRATES
US

SCRIPTURE LESSON

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Listen to this reading (lesson) to prepare for the sermon.

- ⁸ Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
- ⁹ He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.
- ¹⁰ All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness,
for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Kimberly Hutchinson

Paul Hutchinson

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

We set aside a tithe and
additional offering of our
resources for the purposes
of God, for His glory. Both
are a display of our joyful
dependence upon God
rather than ourselves.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

O Great God

Words & Music by Bob Kauflin, Arr. by Dan Forrest
Sanctuary Choir

O great God of highest heav'n, occupy my lowly heart.
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r.
Let no vice or sin remain that resists Your holy war.
You have loved and purchased me, make me Yours forevermore.

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear Your voice,
Did not know Your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys.
Then Your Spirit gave me life, opened up Your Word to me
Through the gospel of Your Son, gave me endless hope and peace.

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on Your grace.
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face.
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed.
O great God of highest heav'n, glorify Your name through me

*DOXOLOGY

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all belss-ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures

5

here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

7

heav'n - ly host: praise Fa - ther Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. A - men.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Elder Chris Rimondi

DOXOLOGY

A doxology is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory. The Gloria Patri is another example of a doxology.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

We share in our health and sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our prayers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands elders to pray with and for God's people, not just publicly, but privately. If you have a prayer request, email it to prayer@cpccchat.org.

What causes quarrels and what causes fights among you? Is it not this, that your passions are at war within you? ² You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. ³ You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions. ⁴ You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, “He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us”? ⁶ But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.” ⁷ Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ Be wretched and mourn and weep. Let your laughter be turned to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will exalt you.

SERMON

A preacher is commanded
to faithfully steward
God’s Word by submitting
to it, studying it, and
expositing it (holding it
forth), bearing witness to
Jesus, by the power of the
Holy Spirit.

SERMON

The War Beneath the War

Pastor David Stephenson

*HYMN OF RESPONSE

Only a Holy God

Bm D G D

1. Who else com-mands all the hosts of heav-en?
 2. What oth-er beau-ty de-mands such prais-es?
 3. What oth-er glo-ry con-sumes like fire?
 4. Who else could res-cue me from my fail-ing?

Bm D G D

Who else could make ev-'ry king bow down?
 What oth-er splen-dor out-shines the sun?
 What oth-er pow-er can raise the dead?
 Who else would of-fer his on-ly Son?

Bm D G D G A D

Who else can whis-per and dark-ness trem-bles?
 What oth-er maj-es-ty rules with jus-tice?
 What oth-er name re-mains un-de-feat-ed?
 Who else in-vites me to call him Fa-ther?

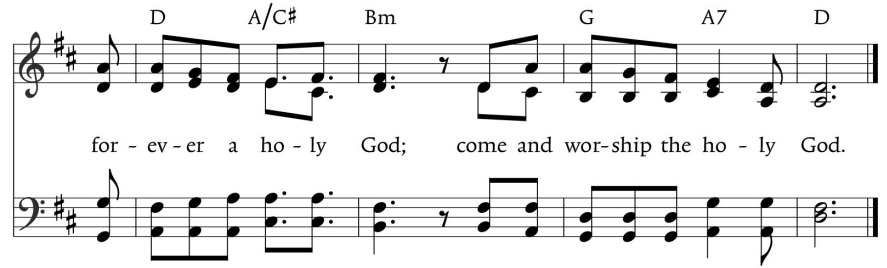
On-ly a ho-ly God.

Bm G D A Bm G

Come and be-hold him, the One and the On-ly. Cry out, sing ho-ly,

CONFESSION OF FAITH

By confessing our faith together using statements believed by Christians over the ages, we join in the sweep of Christian history even as we await the return of Jesus.



*CONFESSION OF FAITH

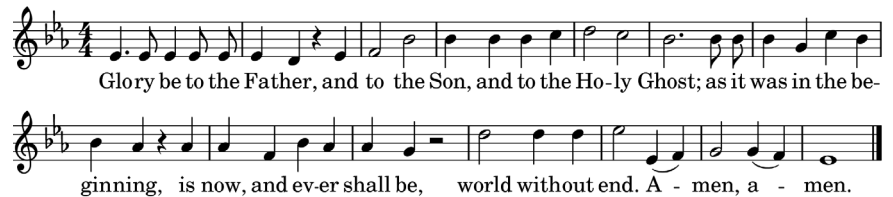
Westminster Larger Catechism 70

Christian, what is justification?

It is the act of God's free grace to sinners by which he pardons all their sins and accepts and looks on them as if they were righteous, not because of anything worked in them or done by them, but because God imputes to them the perfect obedience and full satisfaction of Christ, that can only be appropriated by faith.

*GLORIA PATRI

GREATOREX



GOD COMMISSIONS US

BENEDICTION

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service, He graciously sends us into our week with a blessing (good word) founded on the redeeming work of Jesus.

*BENEDICTION

2 Corinthians 13.14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

POSTLUDE

SERMON NOTES

Title: The War Beneath the War

Text: James 4.1-10

MISSION

Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors by making Christ known in all of life.

CPC PASTORS

David Stephenson (Senior Pastor), Bill Massey (Associate Pastor of Discipleship),

Travis Hutchinson (Assistant Pastor of Children & Youth)

CPC OFFICERS

ELDERS: Jason Brown, Adam Cathey, Jason Coffey, Don Griffin, Jon Harris, Ken Henry, Ken Hostetler, Bill Massey, Will McDaniel, Chris Rimondi, Adam Sanders (Clerk), Todd Smith,

David Stephenson (Moderator), Phil Wade, Rex Wagner, Tim Warren, Tracy Wright

DEACONS: Geff Adams, Mike Bacon, Paul Baierl, Thomas Blackburn, Jonathan Calloway, Jason Collins, Rich Denkinger, Mike Evatt, Jon Griffin, James Hall, Jay Helton, Steven James, Eric Mantel (Clerk), Mike Mason (Chairman), Richard Mauroner, Jared McCurry, John Morrison, Vince Pereski, Caleb Ray, Tim Sotelo, Phil Spotts, Matt Wright

MUSICIANS

Director - Joshua Spacht, Piano - Alayne Griffin, Organ - Evangeline Wykoff, Violin - Rebecca James

WELCOME

We are glad you joined us this morning! If this is your first visit with us, please fill out a Connection Card (located in each pew).

Join us in the Lobby for coffee and fellowship before Sunday School. If you are visiting or are wanting to become a member of Covenant, consider attending the *What Is Presbyterian?* Class meeting in Room 119.

We invite you to join us next week as Pastor David preaches from James 4.

Finding your way:

Scan the QR code to view a map of our campus. Printed maps can be found on the bulletin board just off the Lobby and outside the Nursery.



For those with children:

Your children are welcome and wanted in worship! Little ones sometimes have a hard time sitting quietly through a service. Please take advantage of these helpful tools:

- **Special Bulletin** - designed for our Little Theologians (available in Narthex)
- **Family Worship Room** - where children can be a little louder and more active (windowed room in Sanctuary)
- **Family Restroom and Nursing Mother's Room** (in Family Worship Room)
- **Nursery** - available to children born after September 1, 2023 (deacons can direct you)
- **Calm Kit Bags** - borrow fidgets and tools to help soothe the wiggles during worship (in Family Worship Room)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 11

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

Sunday School - *visit cpcchatt.org for class list*

Monday, October 12

Women's Ministry Team Mtg - Morrison's Home- 6 pm

Tuesday, October 13

Women's Proverbs Study - Rooms 121-122 - 10 am

Men's Ministry Leadership Mtg - Lobby - 7 pm

Wednesday, October 14

Midweek Meal - SFH - 5:30 pm

Children, Youth, & Adult Midweek Classes -

Visit cpcchatt.org for class list

Thursday, October 15

OCC Prep Day - Lobby - 9:30 am

Young Moms' Bible Study - Room 105 - 9:30 am

Friday, October 16

Men's Bible Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am

Youth Fall Retreat Begins

Saturday, October 17

Women's Personal Safety Class - SFH - 9 am

Sunday, October 18

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

Sunday School - *visit cpcchatt.org for class list*

Youth Fall Retreat Ends

NEWCOMER'S LUNCH

Sun, Nov 15 • 12:15 pm • SFH

Welcome, we are so glad you're here! You are invited to a Newcomer Lunch with Pastor David Stephenson and his wife, Kelly, in Schum Fellowship Hall. Please contact Shannon Ratliff at SRatliff@cpcchatt.org or 423-899-5099 to RSVP for lunch or to ask additional questions.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Want to become a member of our Covenant Presbyterian family? Please contact the church office at office@cpcchatt.org to make an appointment.

COVENANT LIFE

CPC FOOD DRIVE "FAITH IN ACTION"

Today is the Last Day!

CPC is partnering this fall with the Chattanooga Area Food Bank. To donate to this "Faith in Action" activity, bring non-perishable food items such as canned goods (vegetables, soup, proteins, fruit) and shelf-stable dry goods (peanut butter, pasta, rice, and oatmeal) to the marked boxes outside of the Fellowship Hall.

You can also make a monetary contribution to our local food bank by scanning the QR code.



Have questions? Email Jan Griffin at jgriffin@epbf.com or call her at 423-718-0788.

OCC PREP DAY

Thu, Oct 15 • 9:30 am • Rooms 121-122

Everyone is invited to help prepare for this year's Operation Christmas Child outreach. We will count and separate items for packing day, fold OCC shoeboxes, and decorate the OCC Christmas tree.

WOMEN'S PERSONAL SAFETY CLASS

Sat, Oct 17 • 9 am • SFH

Hosted by Revolution Academy of Martial Arts, ladies aged 7 & up are invited to register for a one-day self-defense class. The cost is \$40 per person, (\$35 for 2 or more per family). This is a reduced rate for church members and regular attenders. Email Shannon Ratliff for more information and to sign up SRatliff@cpcchatt.org.

MORRISON/CHALVERUS WEDDING SHOWER

Sat, Oct 24 • 1 pm • SFH

We are celebrating Ryan Chalverus and Heather Morrison, who will be getting married on December 12. Men and women, please join us in blessing this young couple as they begin their new life together! They are registered at the Knot, or scan QR code.



FALL FESTIVAL

Wed, Oct 28 • 5:30 pm • Front Lawn

Everyone is invited to our annual Fall Festival to celebrate the Reformation. Come enjoy carnival games, inflatables, candy, and prizes while learning about key figures and events in the Reformation. A fun dinner will be served at 5:30 pm, and festivities will last until 8 pm. Children should feel free to wear costumes. Invite and bring your neighbors and friends! Activities for all ages!

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

The Children's Ministry is collecting individually wrapped candy to give away during our upcoming Fall Festival on Wednesday, October 28. Please leave the sweet treats in the church office by Wednesday, October 21.

COVENANT LIFE

MIDWEEK MENU

Oct 14: Beef Stew with Potatoes & Carrots,
Homemade Bread, Salad Bar, Old Fashioned
Doughnut Cake

Oct 21: Dijon Maple Chicken, Broccoli, Salad Bar,
and Brown Sugar Glazed Apple Cake

- Adult: \$6 / Child (5-11): \$4
- Family Max: \$20
- Cash or Check (Put in Cash Box)
- Pay Online (cpcchatt.org/give or scan QR code)



The cost per meal is suggested only.
If you don't have the full amount, don't worry.
Pay what you can. Visitors enjoy a free meal.

Food allergies? For a list of Midweek meal ingredients email our Hospitality Coordinator, Emily Calloway, at ECalloway@cpcchatt.org

RUNNING LATE FOR SUPPER?

If you realize that you will be arriving late for our Midweek meal, you can text Emily by 6:15 pm at 423.432.1743 with your name and ask for a boxed meal to be set aside for you to pick up when you arrive.

MORE INFORMATION

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

Website: cpcchatt.org

Prayer Requests: Email your request or update to prayer@cpcchatt.org These needs are shared M-F. If you have an urgent need, contact your shepherding elder.

Online Directory: Contact the church office to request access.

NURSERY SCHEDULE - TODAY

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Susan Helton	Sophia Cross Charlotte Gernhard Lily McDaniel	Lois Ann Atkinson Eleanor Gernhard	Bryonie Wykoff Magdalene Wykoff	Sarah McCurry

NURSERY SCHEDULE - OCTOBER 18

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Sherry Baierl	Heather Harris Hannah Schreiner Lisa Wright	Jon Harris Micah Schreiner	Adam Cathey Leanna Cathey	David Gernhard

MISSIONS



Love's Arm - Chattanooga

Ministry Focus:

Love's Arm began in 2005 with a mission to engage, empower and transition women survivors of trafficking, prostitution, and addiction toward a Christ-centered community of grace. We believe all human beings are fearfully and wonderfully made in the image of God and worthy of love, respect, and dignity.

Prayer:

- For those who struggle with sexual sins and related drug addictions
- For the families healing from these past sins
- For safety of our Outreach team members as they make ministry contact in difficult places



Mission to North America (PCA)

Ministry Focus:

MNA's various ministries are wonderful resources for established PCA churches and church plants. We help equip and train churches and congregants for faithful kingdom mission. We invite you to engage with MNA ministries, enabling us to come alongside you as you seek to faithfully love neighbors in Jesus' name.

A few MNA Ministry 'arms' include Disaster Response, Refugee & Immigrant Ministry, and Prison Ministry.

Prayer:

- That by the grace of God in the next ten years the PCA will prayerfully plant new churches, reduce church closings, and expand the diversity of the PCA
- For the leaders of MNA to seek God's direction and guidance in every task

