

Traditional Worship

March 26, 2023
8:45 am



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church



Lent

Worship Notes

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Greeting...not merely shaking hands.

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Giving: In response to God's goodness, we are called to offer our whole selves—heart and mind, soul, and strength—in joyful adoration in our daily lives. One way we do that is through giving financially, which you can do in person after the service, by mail or online here: <https://www.elixiogiving.com/App/Giving/cherrycreekpres.org>

"To God Be the Glory". It was hard to discourage Fanny Crosby. Joy was a characteristic of her life. When English hymnwriter Frances Havergal asked someone about Crosby, she received the reply, "She is a blind lady whose heart can see splendidly in the sunshine of God's love." Crosby herself acknowledged, "Darkness may throw a shadow over my outer vision, but there is no cloud that can keep the sunlight of hope from a trustful soul."

God Gathers Us

Prelude

Cantabile - César Franck

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Invocation

Introit

#31 I Sing the Almighty Power of God

Gathering Hymn

#40 For the Beauty of the Earth

We Respond to God's Presence

Gloria Patri

Worship Through Giving

Anthem

God So Loved the World - Words from John 3:16; Music arr. Bock

Prayer of Intercession

Doxology no. 34

Recognition of New Members

Kristi Adams, Sean Adams, Rex Agler, Jamie Bear, Ben Bear, Kathy Bol, Jack Bol, Cheryl Bylsma, Geoff Bylsma, Salome Chandra, Daniel Chandra, Roz Cook, Hal Cook, Kathi Cornwall, Scott Cornwall, Nicole Cruse, Tom Cruse, Echo Essick, Duke Follistein, Kendall Forbes, Trevor Forbes, Sherri Graeser, Scott Graeser, Chris Hood, Ginny Hurst, Graham Hurst, Madhuri Jangam, Rajesh Jangam, Phyllis Karns, Rin Karns, David Knopp, Debra Konopka, Larry McQuinn, Marilyn McQuinn, Gatluak Machar, Nyawal Ruot, Robert Partain, Tyler Peterson, Linda Piccolo, Christina Read, Delton Sas, Kathy Sas, Kathie Shandro, Steve Shandro, Maureen Stabio, Robert Stabio, Angela Tralmer, Deanna Uhler, Allison Wakefield, Jane Weaver, Dick Weaver, Sandi Weeder, Keith Weeder, Stanley Washburn, Matthew Wiley, Michelle Wiley, Tina Ye

Greeting

After the Greeting, kids Preschool—5th grade may be sent to kids church.

God Reveals His Word to Us

Love Song

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: 1 John 3:1-10 (pages 1901 in pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks Be to God!

Series: This Thing Called Love

Message: Love's Genetics

We Go Forth in Joy

Hymn of Response

#66 To God Be the Glory

Benediction

Postlude

God of Grace - Setting by Paul Manz

Prayer for the Week

We read in the Gospel, Lord,
that you went away to lonely places to pray.
In my busy days of noise and action,
remind me of my need
for time alone
and for peace and quiet
and silence within.
Be with me now
as I pause for a few moments in quietness.
(from St. Luke's Church in Hartlepool)

Probably written in 1872, this song was taken to England by Ira Sankey, who led the singing for Dwight L. Moody's evangelistic campaigns. The hymn immediately became popular in England and remained well-known there. But it was published in only a few American hymnals, so it was relatively unknown in the United States and Canada. During their 1952 British crusade, it was introduced to members of the Billy Graham team and soon became Billy Graham's British crusade theme hymn. The words, they said, expressed their praise to God, who was doing wondrous things in Britain. A short time later, Graham introduced the hymn in his Nashville crusade, and it became as popular in America as it had been in England. (William & Ardythe Petersen, *The Complete Book of Hymns*, 384)

Prayer chain If you would like to be kept up-to-date on prayer needs in our church body, please sign up for the CCPC Prayer chain at cpcprays@cherrycreekpres.org

Assisting in Worship Amanda Vaughan, Communications Coord.; Sanctuary Choir; Jeanne Gaessler, Dir. Congregational Life; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

Rev. Dr. Brad Strait, Senior Pastor
Rev. Chris Piehl, Associate Pastor
Rev. Phil Bremerman, Associate Pastor
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Convergent Worship

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Only King Forever - Elevation Worship

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Call to Worship & Invocation

Today's Music

Good, Good Father - Housefires

Come, Lord Jesus (Even So, Come) - Passion

King of Kings - Hillsong

Gloria Patri - arr. Hicks

Doxology

In Christ Alone - Getty

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"Gloria Patri" is merely the old Latin language behind the first line of this short song we sing: "Glory be to the Father..." Singing the Gloria Patri has been part of the worship of the Christian Church for hundreds of years, and we use it as a short but powerful response to hearing again the good news that Jesus lived, died, and rose on our behalf. "As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be..." is a statement of the eternal life we firmly possess when we put our faith in Jesus. One day, we'll all be living in that "world without end!"

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