

# Traditional Worship

May 5, 2024  
8:45 am



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Eastertide



## Worship Notes

*...making our worship more meaningful & understandable*

If you are tuning in to Cherry Creek, welcome and thank you for worshiping with us on this Sunday morning.

### Why is it called "communion?"

What we do during communion isn't merely a symbolic act or a remembrance—it's *more* than that. 1 Corinthians 10:16-17 teaches us that we are actually *communing* with Christ Himself as we partake of the elements. We mysteriously "participate in the body and blood" of Jesus. As we take communion, let us remember that Christ is spiritually present in a special way for us in this sacrament. Let's enjoy the feast!

### The Lord's Supper and the "Communion of the Saints."

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Let us remember that Communion isn't just about "me and God." It is really about *Christ and His Body*.

## God Gathers Us

### Prelude

How Great Thou Art - Dan Miller

### Welcome & Announcements

### Call to Worship - from Psalm 1:1-3

*Please see screens for responsive reading.*

### Invocation

### Introit

Light Everlasting - Christiansen

### Gathering Hymn

#148 Come Thou, Almighty King

## We Respond to God's Presence

### Gloria Patri - GREATOREX

### Anthem

Hallelujah from "The Mount of Olives" - Beethoven

### Worship Through Giving

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

### The Lord's Prayer

### Doxology with Alleluias - LASST UNS ERFREUEN

### Greeting

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

## God Reveals His Word to Us

### Song of Illumination

Ancient Words - Smith

**Sermon** Wade Pursell

Scripture: Psalm 1:1-3, Romans 12:2 (pages 840 & 1761 in pew Bible)

**Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.**  
**All: Thanks Be to God!**

Series: 10 Reasons Why Christians Trust the Bible

Message: #7 Changed Lives, #8 Holy Spirit Encounters

## We Feast at God's Table

### Holy Communion

## We Go Forth in Joy

### Hymn of Response

#66 To God Be the Glory

### Benediction

### Postlude

Sinfonia from Cantata No. 29 - J.S.Bach

## Prayer for the Week

Loving God, we know because of Christ that love is stronger than hatred, forgiveness is stronger than revenge, and compassion is stronger than legalism. We know that humility can defeat domination and that obedience can defeat selfish ambition.

We are an Easter people, redeemed by the sacrificial gift of love of God through Jesus Christ. We are an Easter people filled with joy and peace in knowing our Saviour, Jesus Christ. We are an Easter people, trusting Christ as we journey through life participating in God's sovereign plans that continue to unfold. We are an Easter people filled with hope. AMEN and AMEN. (Lenten prayers by Karen Horst)

**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.elexiogiving.com/App/Giving/cherrycreekpres.org>

**May We Pray With You?** When we join together in prayer, there is a particular power available from God. If you would like prayer and/or prayer for healing, please come forward after the service to find a pastor or elder and we'd love to pray for you.

**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](mailto:cpcprays@cherrycreekpres.org)

**Assisting in Worship** Amanda Matoba, Communications Coord.; Sanctuary Choir; Jason Wakefield; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

Rev. Dr. Brad Strait, Senior Pastor  
Rev. Gary Hein, Executive Pastor  
Rev. Chris Piehl, Associate Pastor  
Rev. Phil Bremerman, Associate Pastor  
Evan Mazunik, Dir. of Worship & Liturgy  
Bohee Paek, Organist  
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Open the Eyes of My Heart - Baloché

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### Invocation

### Today's Music

How Great Thou Art - Baloché

This I Believe (The Creed) - Hillsong

Way Maker - Leeland

Gloria Patri - Hicks

Doxology with Alleluias

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### Communion Song

We Fall Down - Tomlin

How Deep the Father's Love for Us - Townend

## We Go Forth in Joy

Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone) - Tomlin

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