

Traditional Worship

March 12, 2023
8:45 am



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Lent

Worship Notes

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

It All Begins at the End. "In order to begin our Lenten journey, we go straight to the end. Our beginning as Christians is at precisely the same place which was the end for Jesus. Just outside Jerusalem, right by a garbage dump, on a Roman cross, with two criminals on either side of him. For several hours he had hung there, the last bits of the perfect life he had lived to the glory of God the Father draining out of him. Finally he spoke a single word, and that was the end. That one word, spoken at the end of Jesus' earthly life, represents the beginning of everything we are as Christians. That one word changes everything. "Tetelestai". It is finished. But what is finished?

—Sin is finished. Most people think of sin as something that makes us bad, and they think of the Christian life as about learning to be good, or at least learning to be better people than we are now. Not so. The reality is that sin makes us dead. That's a problem. Because dead people can't do anything to improve themselves. They may think they can, but they can't. Jesus did not come down to earth and die on a cross so that bad people might become good or that good people might become better. He came so that dead people might become alive.

—Self is finished. Our way of doing things is finished. Our rights, and any thinking on our part that we have rights, are finished. When you look up and see

God Gathers Us

Prelude

Adagio in G minor - Tomaso Albinoni

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship & Invocation

Introit - CCPC Cantus & Choristers Choirs

Love One Another (based on 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 and John 13:34)
Music: Brad Nix, Lyrics: Thornhill

Gathering Hymn

#82 Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

We Respond to God's Presence

Gloria Patri

Worship Through Giving

Anthem

The King of Love My Shepherd Is - based on Psalm 23; arr. John Rutter

Prayer of Intercession

Doxology no. 34

Greeting

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

God Reveals His Word to Us

Love Song

Sermon

Rev. Phil Bremerman

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 13:8-13 (pages 1785 in pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks Be to God!

Series: This Thing Called Love

Message: Clearing Our Vision

We Go Forth in Joy

Closing Hymn

#502 Be Thou My Vision

Benediction

Postlude

What a Friend We Have in Jesus - arr. Young-Jin Noh

Prayer for the Week

Father,
fill our hearts with deep compassion
for those who suffer,
and may the day come quickly
of your kingdom of justice and truth. Amen.
(Eugène Bersier)

Christ hanging there on the cross, whatever rights, plans, and agendas you may have just don't matter anymore.

—The world's way of doing things is finished. The world's way of doing things is all about power, all about getting power, all about impressing people by showing how much power you have. When your king is someone who got himself crucified on a Roman cross, all that goes out the window.

That is where we shall begin our Lenten journey, because that is where it all begins for us as Christians. Jesus' last word is our first word. His last breath is our first breath. The end of his life is the beginning of ours."

(excerpted from a blog post by Joe Derbes)

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>

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.; Cantus & Choristers Choirs; Kristen Matthews, Children's Choirs Coordinator; Lu Downing; accompanist; Worship Band; Jenna Rossi, Flute; Wonkyung Choi, Cello; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

Rev. Dr. Brad Strait, Senior Pastor
Rev. Chris Piehl, Associate Pastor
Rev. Phil Bremerman, Associate Pastor
Gary Hein, Executive Pastor
Evan Mazunik, Dir. of Worship & Liturgy
Bohee Paek, Organist
Kasey Melin, Asst. Dir. Contemporary Music

Convergent Worship

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Only King Forever - Elevation Worship

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Love One Another (based on 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 and John 13:34)
Music: Brad Nix, Lyrics: Roger Thornhill

Today's Music

House of the Lord - Wickham

Build My Life - Housefires

How Great Thou Art - Trad.

Gloria Patri - arr. Hicks

Doxology

The Stand - Hillsong

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