Traditional Worship

July 27, 2025 8:45 am



Pentecost



Worship Notes

...making our worship more meaningful & understandable

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God Gathers Us

Prelude

Crown Him with Many Crowns - arr. Coalter

Welcome

Call to Worship - from Psalm 107

Invocation

Gathering Hymn

#353 Grace Greater Than Our Sin

We Respond to God's Presence

Gloria Patri no. 733

Anthem

Amazing Grace - arr. Schrader

Worship Through Giving

Prayers of the People

Leader: Lord, in your mercy

People: Hear our prayer.

Doxology no. 34 - OLD 100TH

We invite you to lift your hearts and hands to God in a posture of praise.

Greeting

God Reveals His Word to Us

Song of Illumination

Invocation of the Light - Peters Branch

Sermon Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: Romans 5:12-21 (page 1120 in pew Bible)

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks Be to God!

Series: Living in Christ

Message: Everything Changes

We Go Forth in Joy

Hymn of Response

In Christ Alone - Getty

Benediction

As you are able, we invite you to extend your hands out, palms up, in a posture of receiving God's blessing during the benediction.

Postlude

Praise Him! - arr. Wolaver

Prayer for the Week

Dear Lord Jesus, you greatly rejoice in and over us, your bride. You're not just committed to us; you're not just faithful to us; you're not just a great provider; you actually love and enjoy us. Free us for loving others as you love us—when it's easy, and when loving is the last thing on our mind or in our hearts. Amen.

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(Excerpted from Jason Carter's summary of "Why Our Church Switched to the ESV" by Kevin DeYoung, professor at Reformed Theological Seminary)

May We Pray With You? If you would like, please come forward after the service to find a pastor or elder. We'd love to pray for you and/or anoint you with oil (per James 5).

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 Nancy Saddler, guest pianist; Lu Downing, piano; David Knopp & Tech Team; Usher Team

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 here:

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Convergent Worship

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Gathering Songs

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus - Sovereign Grace

Come, Thou Fount (I Will Sing) - Tomlin

The Lion and the Lamb - Leeland

House of the Lord - Wickham

Gloria Patri - Hicks

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The Blessing - Elevation Worship

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