

Order of Worship

July 2, 2023



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Pentecost



Worship Notes

...making our worship more meaningful & understandable

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

Welcome Visitors! We are so happy you've decided to join us here at Cherry Creek! In the pew pocket in front of you, we have some information for you. Please take an "I'm New" card with you to learn a little more about CCPC. We also have a Connect/Prayer card where you can submit a prayer request. If you fill out your contact information, we can better connect you with ministries you'd like to learn more about. Just drop this completed card into the offering, or hand it to an usher as you leave.

Children, Our Worship Leaders. The Scriptures are full of evidence that Christians should think highly of their covenant children. Children are capable of more than we often imagine! Jesus taught that little children, and in fact even babies, are capable of God-given faith (Matthew 19:13-15). He also said that faith the size of a mustard seed can move mountains (Matthew 17:20). We thank God that many of the children in our service today have heard and responded to the Gospel message shared with them during VBS week.

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

God Gathers Us

Prelude

The Church's One Foundation - Wesley, arr. De Cou

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship - from Psalm 95

Please see screens for responsive reading.

Invocation

Introit

Our God is Holy - Jeremy Johnson and Paul Marino

Do Not Fear - Jeremy Johnson and Paul Marino

Gathering Hymns

#728 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand

This is Amazing Grace - Wickham

Great Are You, Lord - All Sons & Daughters

We Respond to God's Presence

Gloria Patri - arr. Hicks

Worship Through Giving

Offertory

Battle Hymn of the Republic - arr. Willhousky

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Greeting

God Reveals His Word to Us

Song of Illumination

Be Thou My Vision

Sermon Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: Psalm 95 (page 933 in pew Bible)

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

Series: Finding Jesus in the Psalms

Message: The Rock of Our Salvation

We Go Forth in Joy

Hymn of Response

#342 Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Benediction

Postlude

Battle Hymn of the Republic - arr. Smith/Husted

Special Today

10:15 - Bell Tower Dedication (Front Circle)

10:30 - Swing Dance Class in Gym

After 2nd service - Picnic lunch & games (BBQ Pork, Mac & Cheese, Drinks, Ice Cream)

Everyone Welcome!

Prayer for the Week

O Lord of providence
holding the destiny of the nations in your hand,
we pray for our country.
Inspire the hearts and minds of our leaders
that they, together with all our nation,
may first seek your kingdom and righteousness
so that order, liberty, and peace may dwell with your people.
(from the *Worship Sourcebook*, 2nd ed.)

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Dual Citizenship but One Allegiance

Churches can and do celebrate their country in many wonderful ways — praying for government leaders, expressing gratitude for freedom and highlighting those values that align with scriptural values...[but] in a sense, we have a dual citizenship. As Christians, we are held responsible to submit to our authorities, and we live in this natural world around us, broken but still bearing a semblance of God's image. Also, as Christians, we are a part of a new kingdom of God, partially present but not yet fully expressed, where Jesus is ruling and reigning and His glory is increasingly known.

Our calling is then absolutely clear: We are called to love and serve the King and represent the kingdom of God. That's our primary duty. We can celebrate our country in this world, but our loyalty should be to the Kingdom that is not of this world... Let us not forget, we are certainly called to love this earthly country He has placed each of us in. But we are a part of a broader family than just a country. We are a part of a global, universal and unchanging Kingdom that is under the rule and reign of Christ. (by E. Stetzer)

Assisting in Worship Nancy Sadtler, organist; VBS Kids, Kristen Matthews, Children's Choir Coord.; Lu Downing, piano; William Cox, reader; 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
Kasey Melin, Asst. Dir. Contemporary Music

Services: Sunday: Traditional 8:45; Convergent 10:30; 1st & 3rd Saturday: Word & Table, 5 pm

For information on CCPC events or ministries, please visit the Welcome Desk or www.cherrycreekpres.org.