



CHRIST — PRES —

Proclaiming a **Hope**

Building a **Home**

Launching a **Healing**

The Lord's Day, March 1, 2026

ORDER OF WORSHIP

A Service of Word, Prayer, Sacrament of Baptism and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

March 1, 2026 | 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.

***Arise, Shine, For Your Light Has Come**

Music & Lyrics: Jered McKenna



1. A - rise, shine, for your light has come
2. A - rise, come to the o - pen gates



and the glo - ry of God is on you.
for the Fa - ther is wel - com - ing you.



A - rise, see, though the earth grows dark,
Fear not, for the Lord brings peace



that the Lord will a - rise u - pon you,
and re - demp - tion to all who be - lieve,



the Lord will a - rise u - pon you.
and re - demp - tion to all who be - lieve.



Chorus: Na-tions will come to your light, lift up your eyes and see.



We'll ga - ther to - ge - ther and come to you



and your love will be all that we know,



and your love will be all that we know.



Bridge: The sun will not shine 'cause you'll be all the light that we need



and vio - lence will end, all the wars that we wage will cease.



We will glo - ri - fy your name, we will glo - ri - fy your name.

**Please stand, if able.*

Welcome & Announcements

Brian Sorgenfrei

*Call to Worship¹

Psalm 67:1-7

Elder: May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.

People: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Elder: Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.

People: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

Elder: The earth has yielded its increase; God, our God, shall bless us.

All: God shall bless us; let all the ends of the earth fear him!

*Jesus Shall Reign, verses 1, 3-5

Hymn No. 441

Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton, 1793
Lyrics: Based on Psalm 72, Isaac Watts, 1719

*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

*Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father
Almighty.
From there He shall come to judge the living and the
dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic² church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Call to Confession

James 2:18, 20-22, 26

¹⁸But someone will say, "You have faith and I have works." Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works...

²⁰Do you want to be shown, you foolish person, that faith apart from works is useless? ²¹Was not Abraham our father justified by works when he offered up his son Isaac on the altar? ²²You see that faith was active along with his works, and faith was completed by his works... ²⁶For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.

Silent Confession

¹We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His invitation and command to us to gather in His name.

²The word "catholic" refers to the universal church of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Confession of Sin

All: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Assurance of Forgiveness

Titus 2:11-14

¹¹For the grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation for all people, ¹²training us to renounce ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright, and godly lives in the present age, ¹³waiting for our blessed hope, the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, ¹⁴who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession who are zealous for good works.

*Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord

Hymn No. 465

Music: MOODY, Daniel B. Towner; Lyrics: Julia H. Johnston, 1910

Life Together

Ricky Kroeger, Wycliffe Bible Translators - Oaxaca, Mexico

Offertory Prayer

Deacon John Adrian

Offertory

"John 3:16-17"

Music & Lyrics: Adam Wright

Visitors, please fill out a visitor card located in the chair backs in front of you and drop it in the offering plate.

***Children's Church Dismissal: During both the 8:30 a.m. & 10:45 a.m. service four- & five-year-olds may be dropped off & picked up at the sanctuary door to the left of the piano to attend Children's Church.*

Pastoral Prayer

Elder Glynn Ingram

Members of the Week:

Sara Graves

Ferriday Green

Ministry of the Week:

Clarke & Khrystyia Norton: MTW - Lviv, Ukraine

Teachers of the Week:

Women's Ministry: Anna Dabbs, Ev Barrett & Pamela Grafton

Christ Pres Leadership & Staff:

Christine & Erik Hom

The Lord's Prayer

All: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading

Proverbs 11:30

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Elder: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

**Please stand, if able.*

***Children's Church is provided to help families make the transition from nursery to the worship service. Volunteers will take them upstairs for a time of singing, praying, playing and listening to a Bible story. Please note that Children's Church is optional for families and we also fully support keeping your child in the service as well!*

Sermon

"Do Not Forget Who You Are"

Joe Novenson

Children's Church pickup by the sanctuary door to the left of the piano after sermon.

Reception of Covenant Children as Communing Members

Scott Byrd

8:30 a.m. service

Holt Dixon and Luke Holdiness

10:45 a.m. service

Charlie Anderson, Sophie Byrd, Lucy Frazer, Nathan Reeves,
Addison Smith, Zoey Smith, Hardin Stewart and Walker White

Covenant Baptism

10:45 a.m. service

Addison Smith, Zoey Smith and Hardin Stewart

Celebration of the Lord's Supper

The Lord's Supper (also called Communion or the Eucharist) is the family meal of baptized Christians. All who trust in Christ alone as Savior and Lord, are members in good standing with a branch of His church that teaches that He is the only way to God the Father, are at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully with Jesus are welcome to come forward. If you are not a Christian or if you are not prepared to share in this meal today, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer using the prayers printed below.

Children who have not yet made a public profession of faith are still welcome to come forward with their families for prayer. We invite children who are ready to make a public profession of faith in Christ to complete the Communicants Class, arrange a meeting with the elders, and thus become "communicants" at the Lord's Table.

Christ Pres seeks to be a joyful community of God's people who actively participate in worship. As we prepare to come to the Lord's Table, the following responsive elements help orient our hearts to the Lord and proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes again.

Elder: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Elder: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord.

Elder: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Words of Institution

Elder: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

All: Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

Elder: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Elder: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Please let an usher know if it is difficult for you to come forward, and we will be happy to serve you in your seat. All communion bread is gluten-free.

Prayers for Those Not Communing

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I owed. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Him as Savior. Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to you, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. Amen.

Prayer for Covenant Children Who Have Not Yet Professed Faith in Christ

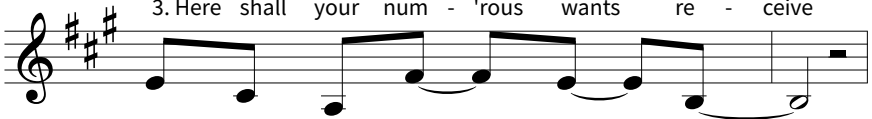
Lord Jesus, thank you for giving me the opportunity to grow up in a Christian family where I am surrounded by the good news of the gospel. Help me to grow in my understanding of who you are and what you have done for me on the cross. Help me learn what it means for me to turn from my sins and trust in you alone for my salvation. Teach me what it means to follow you as one of your disciples. Amen.

Come, All Ye Pining, Hungry Poor

Music: Brian T. Murphy; Lyrics: Anne Steele, 1716-1778



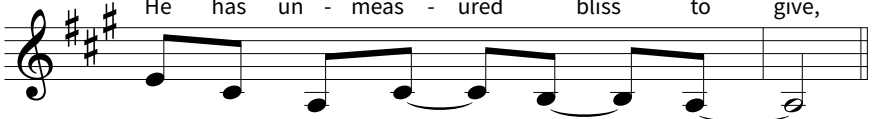
1. Lord, we a - dore Thy bound - less grace,
2. O won - drous gifts of love di - vine,
3. Here shall your num - 'rous wants re - ceive



the heights and depths un - known,
Dear Source of ev - 'ry good;
a free, a full sup - ply;



of par - don, life and joy, and peace,
Je - sus in Thee what glo - ries shine!
He has un - meas - ured bliss to give,



in Thy be - lov - ed Son.
How rich Thy flow - ing blood!
And joys that nev - er die.



Refrain: Come, all ye pin - ing, hun - gry poor,



the Sav - ior's boun - ty taste;



be - hold a ne - ver fail - ing store



for ev - 'ry will - ing guest.

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

Hymn No. 252

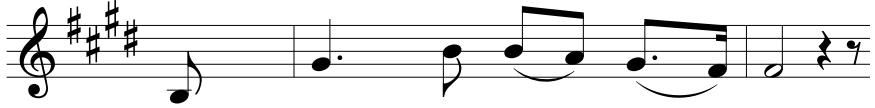
Music: HAMBURG, Gregorian Chant, arr. Lowell Mason, 1824
Lyrics: Isaac Watts, 1707

On Jordan's Stormy Banks I Stand

Music: Christopher Miner; Lyrics: Samuel Stennett, 1787



1. On Jor - dan's stor - my banks I stand
 2. All o'er those wide ex - ten - ded plains
 3. No chill - ing winds nor pois - o - nous breath
 4. When shall I reach that hap - py place



and cast a wish - ful eye
 shines one e - ter - nal day;
 can reach that health - ful shore.
 and be for - ev - er blessed?



to Ca - naan's fair and hap - py land
 There God the Son for - ev - er reigns
 Sick - ness, sor - row, pain and death
 When shall I see my Fa - ther's face



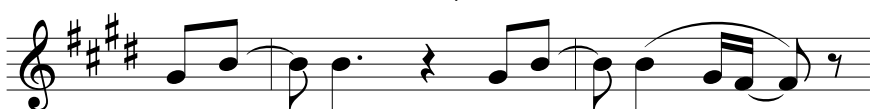
where my pos - ses - sion's lie. 2. All
 and scat - ters night a
 are felt and feared no more. 4. When
 and in His bos - om



way. I am bound, I am bound,
 rest.



I am bound for the prom - ised land.



I am bound, I am bound,



I am bound for the pro - mised land.

*Benediction³

Musicians & AVL Team

Gabbie Bowden, vocals; Randall Bryant, keyboard & vocals; Noel Childress, guitar & vocals;
 Amanda Fliflet, lights & projections; Harper Holley, viola; Slade Lewis, bass;
 Max McDonaldson, sound engineer; Andy Paney, piano; Matthew Parks, cello;
 Daniel Spears, percussion; Jonathan Watts, mandolin

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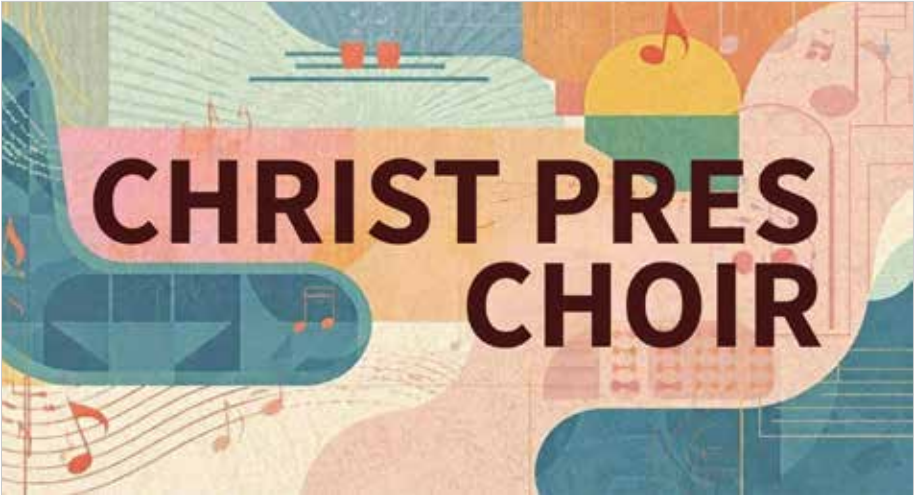
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³Just as God has the first word in worship, He also has the last word. For those who are in Christ Jesus, these are always words of blessing. We look up and extend our hands out in a posture of receiving the blessing of God.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Choir rehearsal is **TODAY from 5:15 - 6:00pm** in the sanctuary. They will be practicing every other week this semester, and learning new music in preparation for Easter, so this is a perfect time to jump in! If you would like to be added to the email list, you can contact Randall at randall@cpcoxford.org.



All 7th-12th graders are invited to join us for our annual Spring Retreat from **April 10-12th!** The weekend will be full of playing games, worship & digging deep into Psalm 23 with our speaker, Austin Braasch. This year we'll be going back to "The Barn" near Philadelphia, MS. Register by March 31 to secure your spot!



Ladies, please join us for our annual Spring Luncheon on **Saturday, April 18th**. The delicious salad bar lunch will start at 11:30am and our speaker, Susan Tyner, will begin around 12.

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