

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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OCTOBER 13, 2024



## ADORATION



### PRELUDE

#### CALL TO WORSHIP | Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:11-13 & 17-19

Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.  
For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;  
but the LORD will arise upon you, and his glory will be seen upon you.  
And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.  
Lift up your eyes all around, and see;  
they all gather together, they come to you;  
your sons shall come from afar,  
and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.  
Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult,  
because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you,  
the wealth of the nations shall come to you.  
A multitude of camels shall cover you,  
the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.  
They shall bring gold and frankincense,  
and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

**May all kings fall down before him, all nations serve him!**

For he delivers the needy when he calls, the poor and him who has no helper.  
He has pity on the weak and the needy, and saves the lives of the needy.

**May his name endure forever, his fame continue as long as the sun!**

**May people be blessed in him, all nations call him blessed!**

Blessed be the LORD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

**Blessed be his glorious name forever;  
may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!**

### PRAYER OF INVOCATION

### HYMN OF ADORATION

Page 3 | *God Is Known Among His People*

## God Is Known Among His People (#66)

God is known among his people,  
every mouth his praises fill;  
from of old he has established  
his abode on Zion's hill;  
there he broke the sword and arrow,  
bade the noise of war be still.

Excellent and glorious are you,  
with your trophies from the fray;  
you have slain the mighty warriors,  
wrapped in sleep of death are they;  
when your anger once is risen,  
who can stand in that dread day?

When from heav'n your sentence sounded,  
all the earth in fear was still,  
while to save the meek and lowly  
God in judgment wrought his will;  
e'en the wrath of man shall praise you,  
your designs it shall fulfil.

Vow and pay unto Jehovah,  
him your God forever own;  
all men, bring your gifts before him  
worship him, and him alone;  
mighty kings obey and fear him,  
princes bow before his throne.

Text: Psalm 76 | Tune: LAUDA ANIMA, Tune: John Goss (1869)

## CONFESSION



### CONFESSION OF SIN | **Psalm 32:5** & *Prayer*

“I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, ‘I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,’  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.”

**God of grace, you have given us Jesus, the light of the world,  
but we choose darkness and cling to things that hide the brightness of your love.  
May the fire of your Spirit melt our hearts and grant us true repentance.  
Lord Jesus, you are worthy of all honor, yet we pay you so little homage in  
our daily lives.**

**You emptied yourself in obedience and humility to become man,  
yet we withhold so much in selfishness and pride.**

**Open our lips. Open our hands. Open our hearts. All for the sake of your glory.**

**Gracious God, forgive our sins,**

**and remove from us the veil of darkness that shrouds our lives.**

**Illumine us by your Word so we may shine with the radiance of Christ’s glory.**

**Amen.**

### ASSURANCE OF PARDON | *from* **1 Peter 2:9-10** & **Colossians 1:12-14**

Brothers and Sisters, you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. So give thanks to the Father who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

### HYMN OF ASSURANCE

Page 5 | *Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ*

## Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ (#524)

Thy works, not mine, O Christ,  
speak gladness to this heart;  
they tell me all is done;  
they bid my fear depart.

### *Refrain:*

To whom, save thee, who canst alone  
for sin atone, Lord, shall I flee?

Thy pains, not mine, O Christ,  
upon the shameful tree,  
have paid the law's full price  
and purchased peace for me.

### *Refrain*

Thy cross, not mine, O Christ,  
has borne the awful load  
of sins that none in heav'n  
or earth could bear but God.

### *Refrain*

Thy righteousness, O Christ,  
alone can cover me:  
no righteousness avails  
save that which is of thee.

### *Refrain*

Text: Horatius Bonar (1857); Tune: DARWALL; Composer: John  
Darwall (1770)

## FORMATION AND COMMISSION



### CATECHESIS | Westminster Shorter Catechism

Q. 91. How do the sacraments become effectual means of salvation?

**A. The sacraments become effectual means of salvation, not from any virtue in them, or in him that doth administer them; but only by the blessing of Christ, and the working of his Spirit in them that by faith receive them.**

Q. 92. What is a sacrament?

**A. A sacrament is a holy ordinance instituted by Christ; wherein, by sensible signs, Christ, and the benefits of the new covenant, are represented, sealed, and applied to believers.**

Q. 93. Which are the sacraments of the New Testament?

**A. The sacraments of the New Testament are baptism and the Lord's Supper.**

### CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER | Aaron Steelman, Elder

#### READING OF THE WORD | Mark 4:1-20

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

#### DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

#731 | Thomas Ken, 1709 | Louis Bourgeon's Genevan Psalter, 1551 | CCLI: 1095616

#### SERMON

Jesus' Disciple Applies His Parables to Their Lives | Rev. John Kinser

#### TITHES & OFFERINGS

Meditation | *It is Well with My Soul*

#### CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER †

*Cups in the outer ring contain grape juice; remaining cups contain wine.*

*Speak, O Lord (Page 7) & Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power (Page 8)*

#### CLOSING HYMN

Page 9 | *How Firm a Foundation*

#### BENEDICTION

#### POSTLUDE

## Speak, O Lord

Speak, O Lord, as we come to You  
To receive the food of your holy word.  
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;  
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,  
That the light of Christ might be seen today  
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.  
Speak, O Lord, and fulfill in us  
All Your purposes, for Your glory.

Teach us, Lord, full obedience,  
Holy reverence, true humility.  
Test our thoughts and our attitudes  
In the radiance of Your purity.  
Cause our faith to rise;  
Cause our eyes to see,  
Your majestic love and authority.  
Words of power that can never fail;  
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.

Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;  
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us—  
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time  
That will echo down through eternity.  
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;  
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.  
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built  
And the earth is filled with Your glory.

## Blessing and Honor and Glory and Power (#300)

Blessing and honor and glory and power,  
wisdom and riches and strength evermore  
give ye to him who our battle hath won,  
whose are the kingdom, the crown, and the throne.

Soundeth the heav'n of the heav'ns with his name;  
ringeth the earth with his glory and fame;  
oceans and mountain, stream, forest, and flower  
Echo his praises and tell of his power.

Ever ascendeth the song and the joy;  
ever descendeth the love from on high;  
blessing and honor and glory and praise —  
this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.

Give we the glory and praise to the Lamb;  
take we the robe and the harp and the palm;  
sing we the song of the Lamb that was slain,  
dying in weakness, but rising to reign.

Text: Horatius Bonar (1866; alt.) | Tune: O QUANTA QUALIA;  
Tune from the *Revised Church Hymnary* by permission of Oxford University Press  
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## How Firm a Foundation (#94)

How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
What more can he say than to you he has said,  
to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed;  
for I am your God, and will still give you aid;  
I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
for I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
and sanctify to you your deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
my grace, all-sufficient, shall be your supply;  
the flame shall not hurt you; I only design  
your dross to consume and your gold to refine.

"E'en down to old age all my people shall prove  
my sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;  
and when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,  
like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne.

"The soul that on Jesus has leaned for repose,  
I will not, I will not desert to his foes;  
that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,  
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

Text: Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787; alt.; mod. | Tune: FOUNDATION; Traditional American  
melody; J. Funk's A Compilation of Genuine Church Music, 1832  
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## CALENDAR & EVENTS

Details about events available at [cpcissaquah.org](http://cpcissaquah.org)

### SUNDAY

9a - Sunday School

10:15a - Morning Worship (also livestreamed)

6p - Evening Prayer for CPC-Supported Missionaries

Join us to pray for the 19 missionaries that CPC (meaning you!) supports.

We will also be handing out our new Missionary Prayer Booklet.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

**Fellowship Lunch | Today! | Immediately following worship**

Please join us even if you did not bring a dish!



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