

Order of Worship

July 5, 2026
10:00 am



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Ordinary Time



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.

Children, Our Worship Leaders. Jesus taught that little children are capable of God-given faith (Matthew 19:13-15). We thank God that many of the children in our service today have heard the Gospel message during VBS week.

Why do we worship together? Churches like ours which engage in two different “styles” of worship on a Sunday morning always run the risk of being a divided church. While we have important missional and theological reasons why we do this, we believe that it is *very* important to worship together on special occasions, combining our efforts and expressions. Why?

- 1) *The Gospel of Christ calls us to self-sacrifice.* As the good news of Jesus changes us, we grow in our ability to “look not only to our own interests, but also to the interests of others” (Phil 2:4). We “bear one another’s burdens” (Gal 6:2) when we lay down our preferences so that others might be more freed up to worship God.
- 2) *The mission of God compels us to a radical unity.* Jesus said, “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this

God Gathers Us

Prelude

Postlude on “America The Beautiful” - John S. Dixon

Welcome & Announcements

Invocation

VBS Slideshow

Introit

Illumination Station - arr. Marino/Johnson
My Lighthouse - Rend Collective

Call to Worship - from Psalm 143

Gathering Songs

#728 God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand
Cornerstone - Hillsong

Gloria Patri - arr. Hicks

We Respond to God’s Presence

Anthem

Battle Hymn of the Republic - arr. Wilhousky

Worship Through Giving

Prayer of Intercession

Doxology no. 34 - OLD 100TH

Greeting

God Reveals His Word to Us

Song of Illumination

Speak, O Lord - Getty

Sermon - Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 15:35-44 (page 1142 in pew Bible)

Series: A Christian Guide to Eternity

Message: Our Bodies Made New

We Go Forth in Joy

Song of Response

The Solid Rock - arr. Hall/Passion

Benediction

Postlude

The Stars and Stripes Forever - arr. E. Power Biggs

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.)

all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another" (John 13:34-35). If this is true, then how radically we go in loving one another is directly proportional to how clearly the world can see Christ's work in us.

How deep will our love for one another go? Can we be willing to worship (not just tolerate, but *worship*) alongside a brother or sister who does not share our preference, but, quite the opposite, connects in worship with styles that we find more difficult to engage in?

The Battle Hymn...what is it really about? Especially with its traditional tune, "Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory" is tied to feelings of patriotism. But, though the hymn was written in the context of the Civil War, don't let the context blind us to its true message and meaning. The text speaks of "the glory of the coming of the Lord", imagery which points us to Jesus' final victory described in the book of Revelation. Ultimately, this song is not a national hymn, but rather an eschatological hymn (about the end of days when Christ will return in glory).

Assisting in Worship VBS kids; Sanctuary Choir; Nancy Saddler, organ; Worship Band; Jared Kelso, reader; 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: <https://cherrycreekpres.org/give> 

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