

Traditional Worship

September 13, 2026
8:45 am



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A member of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Ordinary Time



Worship Notes

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And, theologically at least, drown-
ing is exactly what happens when
we are baptized. And baptism is
indeed about vulnerability. And
about death. And about giving
ourselves over to God and to the
Church. In our baptism we die to
the ways of sin. We die to all that
would strive to separate us from
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God Gathers Us

Prelude

Adagio for Strings - arr. William Strickland

Welcome

Call to Worship - from Psalm 50

Invocation

Gathering Hymn

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing - NETTLETON

Gloria Patri no. 733

We Respond to God's Presence

Worship Through Giving

Anthem

Seek the Lord - Words: Isaiah 55:67; Music: Courtney

Prayer

Doxology no. 34

We Join in Christ's Baptism

Birdie and Luna Cunningham (Parents: Erik & Tori)

Greeting

God Reveals His Word to Us

Song of Illumination

Be Thou My Vision - SLANE

Sermon - Rev. Dr. Brad Strait

Scripture: Revelation 18:4-8 (page 1230 in pew Bible)

Series: A Christian Guide to Eternity

Message: The Fall of Evil

We Go Forth in Joy

Hymn of Response

#405 My Hope is Built on Nothing Less

Benediction

Postlude

Seven Improvisations, Op. 150: No. 7 - Camille Saint-Saens

Prayer for the Week

Living God, help us so to hear your Word that we may truly understand;
that, understanding, we may believe;
and believing, we may follow your way in all faithfulness,
seeking your honor and glory in all that we do. Amen.

10:30am Service Baptism: Jessica and Rachel Miriyalala. It is important to remember that, because of our three services, we are part of a larger community that we don't always see. Jessica and Rachel, daughters of Victor and Sireesha, are being brought into our covenant family in our 10:30am service this morning. Please pray with the Miriyala family and commit with us in raising Jessica and Rachel in the fear of the Lord.

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 ccpcprays@ccpc.life.

May We Pray With You? When we join together in prayer, there is a particular power available from God. If you would like prayer and/or prayer for healing, please come forward after the service to find a pastor or elder and we'd love to pray for you and/or anoint you with oil (per James 5).

Assisting in Worship Sanctuary Choir, Jim Bahne, 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:
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Convergent Worship



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What an Awesome God - Wickham

Gratitude - Lake

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