

Community Presbyterian Church

open hearted, open minded



Sunday, July 5, 2026

Welcome to worship this morning!

Bulletin Cues:

Bold indicates congregational response, * indicates please stand, if able
An offering plate is placed near the door to the church to receive your offerings.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 96

O sing to the Lord a new song;

sing to the Lord, all the earth.

Declare God's glory among the nations;

tell all the people of God's marvelous works.

Say among the nations: The Lord is sovereign!

God will judge the peoples with equity.

Let us worship God.

OPENING HYMN GTG 338

O Beautiful for Spacious Skies

1 O beau - ti - ful for spa - cious skies, for am - ber waves of grain,
2 O beau - ti - ful for he - roes proved in lib - er - at - ing strife,
3 O beau - ti - ful for pa - triot dream that sees be - yond the years

for pur - ple moun - tain maj - es - ties a - bove the fruit - ed plain!
who more than self their coun - try loved, and mer - cy more than life!
thine al - a - bas - ter cit - ies gleam, un - dimmed by hu - man tears!

The musical score is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). It consists of two systems, each with a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The lyrics are placed between the two systems.

A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God shed his grace on thee,
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! God mend thine ev - ery flaw;
 A - mer - i - ca! A - mer - i - ca! May God thy gold re - fine

and crown thy good with *broth - er - hood from sea to shin - ing sea!
 con - firm thy soul in self - con - trol, thy lib - er - ty in law!
 till all suc - cess be no - ble - ness and ev - ery gain di - vine!

CONFESSION AND PARDON

Let us open our lives to God's healing presence, seeking peace with God and reconciliation with our neighbors. Let us be mindful not only of personal evil but also of our communal sins of family, class, race, and nation.

Let us confess to God whatever has wounded us or brought injury to others, that we may receive mercy and become for each other ministers of God's grace.

A time of silence is kept.

Merciful God,

in your gracious presence we confess our sin and the sin of this world.

**Although Christ is among us as our peace,
 we are a people divided against ourselves
 as we cling to the values of a broken world.**

**The profit and pleasures we pursue
 lay waste the land and pollute the seas.**

**The fears and jealousies that we harbor
set neighbor against neighbor
and nation against nation.
We abuse your good gifts of imagination and freedom,
of intellect and reason,
and have turned them into bonds of oppression.**

**Lord, have mercy upon us;
heal and forgive us.
Set us free to serve you in the world
as agents of your reconciling love in Jesus Christ.**

Hear the good news!

Who is in a position to condemn?
Only Christ, and Christ died for us, Christ rose for us,
Christ reigns in power for us, Christ prays for us.

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation.
The old life has gone; a new life has begun.

Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. **Amen.**

LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Holy, Holy, Holy One, guide us by the Spirit of truth to hear the Word of life you speak,
and to give all glory, honor, and praise to your threefold name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

RESPONSIVE READING

Psalm 145:8-14

The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

**The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.**

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord,
and all your faithful shall bless you.
They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your power,

**to make known to all people your mighty deeds
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.**

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and your dominion endures throughout all generations.

The Lord is faithful in all his words
and gracious in all his deeds.

**The Lord upholds all who are falling
and raises up all who are bowed down.**

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 11:16–19, 25–30

“But to what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the marketplaces and calling to one another,

‘We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn.’

“For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, ‘He has a demon’; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.”

At that time Jesus said, “I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

“Come to me, all you who are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

SPECIAL MUSIC

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

Judy Kereakos

by George Webb arranged by Cindy Berry

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 2:19-22

So then, you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone; in him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

Keep these words in your heart. The Lord is our God, the Lord alone.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

The Church: God's Household in Christ

Pastor Paul

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

*HYMN OF THE DAY GTG 337 *My Country 'Tis of Thee*

1 My coun - try, 'tis of thee, sweet land of
2 My na - tive coun - try, thee, land of the
3 Let mu - sic swell the breeze, and ring from
4 Our *fa - thers' God, to thee, au - thor of

lib - er - ty, of thee I sing; land where my
no - ble free, thy name I love; I love thy
all the trees sweet free - dom's song. Let mor - tal
lib - er - ty, to thee we sing. Long may our

*fa - thers died, land of the pil - grims' pride,
rocks and rills, thy woods and tem - pled hills;
tongues a - wake; let all that breathe par - take;
land be bright with free - dom's ho - ly light;

from ev - ery moun - tain - side let free - dom ring,
 my heart with rap - ture thrills like that a - bove.
 let rocks their si - lence break, the sound pro - long.
 pro - tect us by thy might, great God, our King.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE / JOYS AND CONCERNS

Holy God, we come before you in prayer hungering for justice, thirsting for righteousness, longing for peace.

We pray with a great multitude from every nation,
 from all tribes and peoples and languages.
 We pray with saints of every time and place,
 those who have gone through the great ordeal . . .

Joys and Concerns are Shared... after each petition:
 God of our salvation, **hear our prayer.**

After all joys and concerns are shared:
 Lord, keep this nation under your care.
 Bless the leaders of our land,
 that we may be a people at peace among ourselves
 and a blessing to other nations of the earth.
 Help us elect trustworthy leaders,
 contribute to wise decisions for the general welfare,
 and thus serve you faithfully in our generation,
 to the honor of your holy name.

Enable us to respect all of your creation
 and to love one another as ourselves,
 that we may serve one another
 in humility, simplicity and joy;
 through Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO OFFERING

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, to present yourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God. Let us offer our lives to the Lord.

DOXOLOGY GTG 607

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen**

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of unending gifts, we praise you for your abundant goodness. As you are generous, we want to be generous too. May the gifts we bring extend your generosity into the world, so that all people may be made whole by your goodness and grace. **Amen.**

CELEBRATION OF COMMUNION WITH ALL GOD'S PEOPLE

INVITATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, O Lord our God:

In the covenant of your steadfast love for your people, you draw us into new and loving relationships, with you, and with one another. Therefore we praise you, joining the song of the universal church and the heavenly choir:

SANCTUS GTG 552

Holy, Holy, Holy



1 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
2 Bless - ed is he who comes in the



pow - er and might, heav - en and earth are
name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the



full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

THE BREAD AND CUP ARE SHARED

*For communion, gluten free bread and grape juice are served for all who partake.
Please take and eat the bread as it is served, and then as a sign of unity, hold the cup
until all are served so that we might partake together.*

HYMN DURING DISTRIBUTION GTG 103

Come, Now, O Prince of Peace

1 Come now, O Prince of Peace; make us one bod - y.
2 Come now, O God of love; make us one bod - y.
3 Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior.
4 Come, hope of u - ni - ty; make us one bod - y.

Come, O Lord Je - sus; rec-on-cile all peo - ple.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Holy Spirit, you have filled us with your life. Christ our Savior, you have embraced us in your love. God our Mother, you have fed us with your grace. Now send us out into your beloved world to share your life, your love, your grace with all. Blessing and honor and glory to you, holy, holy, holy Lord. **Amen.**


SENDING INTO THE WORLD TO LOVE AND SERVE

*CLOSING HYMN GTG 340

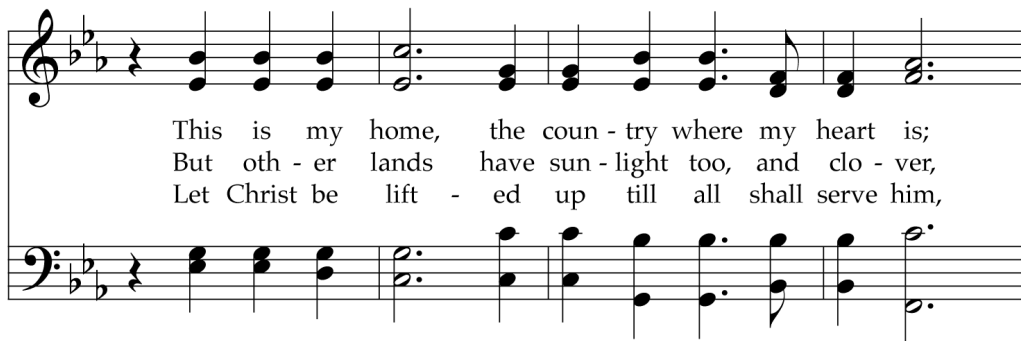
This Is My Song



1 This is my song, O God of all the na - tions,
2 My coun-try's skies are blu - er than the o - cean,
3 This is my prayer, O Lord of all earth's king-doms:



a song of peace for lands a - far and mine.
and sun - light beams on clo - ver - leaf and pine.
thy king - dom come; on earth thy will be done.



This is my home, the coun - try where my heart is;
But oth - er lands have sun - light too, and clo - ver,
Let Christ be lift - ed up till all shall serve him,

here are my hopes, my dreams, my ho - ly shrine;
 and skies are ev - ery - where as blue as mine.
 and hearts u - nit - ed learn to live as one.

but oth - er hearts in oth - er lands are beat - ing
 So hear my song, O God of all the na - tions,
 So hear my prayer, O God of all the na - tions:

with hopes and dreams as true and high as mine.
 a song of peace for their land and for mine.
 my - self I give thee; let thy will be done.

***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

May the blessing of the Trinity— holy, holy, holy Lord—
 be with you now and always. **Alleluia!**

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying,
 “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?”
 And I said, “Here I am; send me!” **Amen.**

POSTLUDE

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Sunday, July 5

Pastor Paul Banchasawan's first Sunday at CPC

11:00 am Worship with Communion
- Onsite and Online

12:00 pm Potluck Luncheon

Monday, July 6 - Office Closed

Tuesday, July 7

9:00 am Bulletin Items Due

7:00 pm Great Room Use: Mission Aid Net.

Wednesday, July 8

8:00 am Prayer Group

Friday, July 10

6:30 pm Great Room, Library Use:
SE MN ASD Social Group

8:30 pm Saturday rental prep

Saturday, July 11

3:00 pm Great Room Use: Rental

Sunday, July 12

11:00 am Worship- Onsite and Online



Judy Leal

Jane and Ed Burgstaler and family

Sherrie Wilson

Jennifer Taylor

Kristy Giere

Sue Chipman

Dolly Gillen

Cal Ward and family

*To be added to the prayer list, please
contact the office: 507-280-9291 or via
email: office@cpcrochester.org.*

In Worship Today

Pastor	Rev. Paul Banchasawan
Liturgist	Bruce Felger
Guest Pianist	Judy Kereakos
IT Support	Louis Bouchard & Bruce Felger

Church Staff

Music Director	Jennifer Taylor
Pianist	Tianyao Xie
Custodian	Nancy Sanford
Office Manager	Stephanie Pasch