

Order of Service

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PERSONAL REFLECTION

God wants us to worship Him from the heart. Take some time to prepare yourself to approach Him in faith and love by reading the following:

We are a family of believers partnering together to glorify God, serve one another and advance the cause of Christ. Before the service officially begins, we have a short time of announcements to welcome those who are new and help members know some of what God's doing here at CBC.

"Then the kingdom of heaven may be compared to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. Now five of them were foolish, and five were prudent. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the prudent took oil in flasks along with their lamps. Now while the bridegroom was delaying, they all got drowsy and began to sleep. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Behold, the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the prudent, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the prudent answered, saying, 'No, there will not be enough for us and you too; go instead to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they were going away to make the purchase, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding feast; and the door was shut. And later the other virgins also came, saying, 'Lord, lord, open up for us.' But he answered and said, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.' Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know the day nor the hour." Matthew 25:1-13

"The center of Christianity is the coming of the Son of God into the world as a real man to destroy the works of the devil and create a new people for his own glory. The very heart of our faith is that he did this by obeying the law of God, dying for the sins of his people, rising victorious over death, ascending to God's right hand with all his enemies under his feet. The second coming of Christ is the completion of his saving work. If you take it away, the whole fabric of his saving work unravels." John Piper

CALL TO WORSHIP

JOSHUA MACK

Our service begins by hearing from God as He calls us to come and worship Him.

"Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him."

OPENING SONG

As believers, God commands us to be filled with the Spirit and to address one another - in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs - singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord with all our heart.

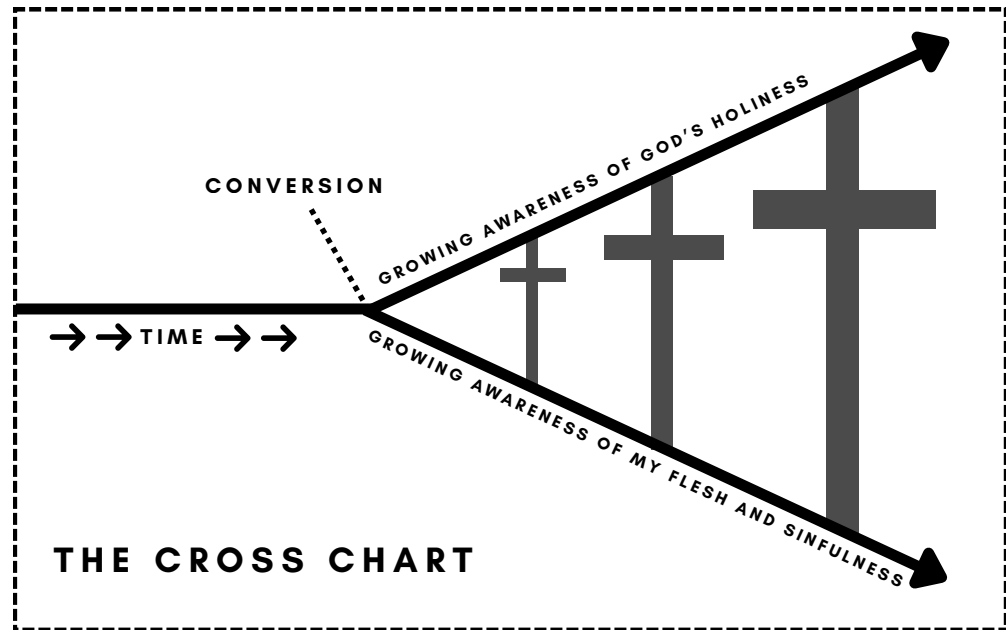
GLORIOUS CHRIST



CONFESSION

One of the key steps to enjoying the gospel is remembering how much you need it.

The following illustration helps us see how the gospel helps us appreciate Jesus' work



To help you see your need, think today about the following command:

“Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world. And the world is passing away, and also its lusts, but the one who does the will of God abides forever.” 1 John 2:15-17

PRAYER

We want to humble ourselves before God, confessing our sins and taking our weaknesses to Him, trusting in His promise to show mercy to those who come to Him depending on Christ. Each one of you should take a moment to present yourself to God, acknowledge yourself to be a sinner and to be needy, believing that He will be gracious to you through Jesus. To help you evaluate the state of your heart, consider the following:

Where has your heart been looking for satisfaction?

What has your life been mostly about this past week?

What have you been filling your mind with this past week?

Was your own pleasure, the pursuit of material things, being seen and known as important by others more important to you than God's glory?

How did you respond when your earthly circumstances were good or bad this week? What does your response say about where your hope and joy are primarily found?

Whose priorities have been most important to you this week? God's or the world's?

What does the way you spent your time this week tell you about what you love?

What does what you talked about this past week say about what you love?

What brought you the greatest joy this past week?

GOSPEL PROMISE

One way God helps us overcome worldliness is by giving us promises of future good He intends to do for us. The more we look forward to what God is going to do for us in the world to come, the less we will want to live for what we can do for ourselves in this one. Let's remind each other of some of the promises Jesus makes those who refuse to love the world and faithfully endure by reading the following verses in faith responsively:

Leader: Jesus says: "To him who overcomes, I will grant to eat of the tree of life which is in the Paradise of God."

Congregation: "He who overcomes will not be hurt by the second death."

Leader: "To him who overcomes, to him I will give some of the hidden manna, and I will give him a white stone, and a new name written on the stone, which no one knows but the one who receives it."

Congregation: "He who overcomes, and he who keeps My deeds until the end, to him I will give authority over the nations, and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as the vessels of the potter are broken to pieces, as I also have received authority from My Father; and I will give him the morning star."

Leader: "He who overcomes will be clothed in white garments, and I will not erase His Name from the book of life, and I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels."

Congregation: "He who overcomes, I will make him a pillar in the temple of God, and he will not go out from it anymore, and I will write on him the name of My God, and the name of the city of My God, the new Jerusalem, which comes down out of heaven from My God, and My new name."

Leader: "He who overcomes, I will grant to him to sit down with Me on My throne, as I also overcame and sat down with My Father on His throne."

SONGS OF PRAISE

The gospel is good news and should fill our hearts with joy. This is an opportunity for that joy to overflow in song.

YOU MADE US YOUR OWN
ALL THE WAY MY SAVIOR LEADS ME

SCRIPTURE READING & PASTORAL INTERCESSION

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Matthew 24:1-35



GIVING

One way we express faith in God's goodness and gratitude for His mercy is by partnering together for the proclamation of the gospel through sacrificial giving.

*July Projected: \$96,706
July Actual: \$74,936*

*YTD Actual: \$496,556
YTD Projected: \$525,907*

PERSONAL PREPARATION

Listening to God's Word is a privilege and responsibility. Come humbly and hopefully. Ask God for His help!

PREACHING OF THE WORD

JOSHUA MACK

"But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as from the Lord, the Spirit." 2 Corinthians 3:18

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RESPONSE SONG

ANCIENT OF DAYS

DOXOLOGY

A doxology is a short expression of praise to God. Singing this particular one together as we close the service helps us express our gratitude for the opportunity we have had to worship God together.

