

**C**HEROKEE  
Presbyterian Church PCA



March 18, 2018

Worship 10:30 AM



THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO  
**MARK**

# APPROACHING GOD

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Prelude *Psalm (Young)*

Dr. Rod Kirby

Welcome

Daryl Lipham

Silent Prayer and Meditation

## \*Call to Worship

Psalm 105:1–3 ESV

Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon his name;

**make known his deeds among the peoples!**

Sing to him, sing praises to him;

**tell of all his wondrous works!**

Glory in his holy name;

**let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.**

## \*Prayer of Invocation

\*Hymn #77 “Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven”

\*Song of Praise “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”

## Confession of Sin

### \*Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 44:22 ESV

I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud

and your sins like mist;

return to me, for I have redeemed you.

### \*Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;**

**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,**

**world without end. Amen, Amen.**

*Visitor information/Prayer cards are available in the back of the pew for visitors and members.*

*\*Please stand as able*

# “Amazing Grace, My Chains Are Gone”

By Chris Tomlin

Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now I'm found  
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

## *Chorus*

**My chains are gone, I've been set free  
My God my savior has ransomed me  
And like a flood His mercy rains  
Unending love, amazing grace**

The Lord has promised good to me  
His word my hope secures  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures

## *Chorus*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow  
The sun forbear to shine  
But God who called me here below  
Will be forever mine  
Will be forever mine  
You are forever mine

# CONFESSING OUR FAITH

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## \*Old Testament Reading

Pastor Ross Ritter

Habakkuk 3:17–19 ESV (*p. 787*)

## Confession of Faith

Heidelberg Catechism

Q 28. *How does the knowledge of God's creation and providence help us?*

- A. **We can be patient when things go against us,  
thankful when things go well,  
and for the future we can have  
good confidence in our faithful God and Father  
that nothing in creation will separate us from his love.  
For all creatures are so completely in God's hand  
that without his will  
they can neither move nor be moved.**

## Membership Vows

Daniel and Kelly Hoffman

## Prayer of Intercession

Pastor Ross Ritter

\*Hymn #339 “For Your Gift of God the Spirit”

# G O D ' S W O R D

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**\*Sermon Text**

Mark 9:38–41 ESV (*p. 845*)

**Sermon**

“Exclusive Christianity”

Pastor Ross Ritter

**\*Hymn #181** “We Come, O Christ, to You”

*Sermon Notes*

# THE LORD'S SUPPER

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## Words of Institution

1 Corinthians 11:23–26 ESV

For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way also he took the cup, after supper, saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.

## Distribution of the Elements

*The trays hold both wine (outer rings) and grape juice (center).*

*We eat the bread when we receive it, but hold the cup until all have been served.*

## Prayer

# BLESSING

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## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

### \*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.**

### \*Prayer

\*Hymn #310 “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

### \*Benediction

Hebrews 13:20–21

### \*Congregational Response

**Amen. Amen. Amen.**

Postlude *When in Our Music God Is Glorified (Travis)*

Dr. Rod Kirby

# CPC Weekly Events

## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

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### Today

- Fellowship Meal: 12:00 PM  
*Visitors welcome!*
- Praise Team Practice: 1:00 PM
- Elderly Outreach Ministry: 2:00 PM  
(Ross Ritter)
- Youth Group: 5:00 PM at CPC

### March 25th

#### Community Groups:

- Holly Springs, 5:00 PM
- Woodstock, 5:30 PM, Kirbys' home
- Macedonia, 6:00 PM, Barrancos' home
- Canton, 6:00 PM at CPC

## THIS WEEK

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### Tuesday

**Men's Bible Study:** 6:00 AM at Bojangles on Ball Ground Hwy  
*Contact:* Troy Snyder, 404-915-6231 or tbsnyder@gmail.com

### Wednesday

**Women's Bible Study:** temporarily on break until further notice due to a death in the family. *Contact:* Ann Bailey, 404-402-1382 or aachie@bellsouth.net

**Prayer & Study Group:** 5:45 PM at CPC  
*Contact:* Jim Friday, 404-375-1197 or jimfriday1949@gmail.com

### Saturday

**Men's Bible Study:** 8:00 AM at Bojangles, Hickory Flat, East Cherokee  
*Contact:* Ray Bobo, 770-213-8866

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## Other Events

**Good Friday Service:** March 30th at 7:00 PM. Please make plans to join us.

**Easter Brunch:** April 1st at 9:15 AM (during the Sunday school hour).  
CPC will provide some of the fixings, but please bring a dish to share.  
*Contact:* Sharon Strelvel, sstrelvel@gmail.com or 770-714-9688

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### Nursery

**Today:** Mackenzie Hanenburg and Margaret Anne Ritter  
**March 25th:** Denise Hicken and Lynette Lipham

### Greeters

**Today:** Rick and Denise Mitchell  
**March 25th:** Mike and Faith Hopkins, Margaret Mitchell



Worship Well | Love One Another | Engage the Community



## ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Lord's Supper is a meal Jesus gives his church as a perpetual reminder that our salvation came at a great cost, but that he has paid that cost in full through his own body and blood. As we eat it by faith in Christ, this meal is also a tool he uses to strengthen our faith, to subdue our sin, and to give us a foretaste of the wedding banquet to come.

Jesus gives this meal to all who trust in him alone for salvation, who have professed faith in him to a gospel-proclaiming church, and who seek to submit their lives to him. As the plates are passed, please spend a moment in prayer to examine yourself and to meditate on the salvation Jesus has purchased with his body and his blood.

## OUR CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

At Cherokee, we believe that our children are just as much a part of the church body as the adults. This means that we encourage children to participate in the worship service as much as they reasonably can.

*For children up to age 4, a nursery is provided in the lobby.*



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