



For what we proclaim is not ourselves,
but Jesus Christ as Lord,
with ourselves as your servants
for Jesus' sake.

2 Corinthians 4:5

The task of restoring truth to the culture depends largely on our laypeople. To bring back truth, on a practical level, the church must encourage Christians to be not merely consumers of culture but makers of culture. The church needs to cultivate Christian artists, musicians, novelists, filmmakers, journalists, attorneys, teachers, scientists, business executives, and the like, teaching its laypeople the sense in which every secular vocation—including, above all, the callings of husband, wife, and parent—is a sphere of Christian ministry, a way of serving God and neighbor that is grounded in God's truth.

J. Gresham Machen

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

1 Corinthians 10:31

The Lord's Day — July 8, 2018 A.D.

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus! If you are a guest with us, please be sure to sign our Welcome Pads when they are passed around before the service. Children are welcome in our worship. We have a nursery available for children 3 and under. Children 4 to 6 years of age may be dismissed to Children's Worship prior to the sermon. Thank you for joining us today and may the Lord richly bless you.

Song of Assembly¹

Lord for Your Glory

Hampton

Lord for your glory we sing Your praises. We magnify Your holy name.
All for Your glory, Lord we bring blessing. We seek to honor You all of our days.

*We lift our hands, we lift our praise to You. We worship all You are in spirit and truth.
We give our hearts, we give our lives to You, We offer all we are for the glory of You.*

Almighty Father, we are Your children. You have been faithful to Your own.
Lord, for Your glory we have been chosen. We lay down all we have here at Your throne!

*We lift our hands, we lift our praise to You. We worship all You are in spirit and truth.
We give our hearts, we give our lives to You. We offer all we are, we offer all we have,
We offer all our lives for the glory of You. For the glory of You!*

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

from Luke 1:68 & Isaiah 48:20

Pastor: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people!

People: Declare this with a shout of joy, proclaim it, send it out to the end of the earth; say, "The Lord has redeemed his servants!"

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 119:1-8

Hymn of Praise

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

Wesley

O for a thousand tongues to sing, my great Redeemer's praise,
The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.

Jesus! The Name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,
'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.

He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the prisoner free;
His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,
To spread thro' all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy name.

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Reading of the Word: *Justification By Faith Alone*

Romans 4:1-8

What then shall we say was gained by Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness." Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due. And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Merciful God, we confess to you now that we have sinned. We confess the sins that no one knows and the sins that everyone knows. We confess the sins that are a burden to us and the sins that do not bother us because we have grown used to them. We confess our sins as a church. We have not loved one another as Christ loved us. We have not forgiven one another as we have been forgiven. We have not given ourselves in love and service for the world as Christ gave himself for us. Father, forgive us. Send the Holy Spirit to us, that he may give us power to live as you have called us to live, by your mercy ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!

The Gospel According to Hebrews

Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ has entered, not into holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true things, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself repeatedly, as the high priest enters the holy places every year with blood not his own, for then he would have had to suffer repeatedly since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for man to die once, and after that comes judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Lead On, O King Eternal

Shurtleff

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come;
Henceforth in fields of conquest, thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation, thy grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper, the sweet amen of peace.
For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums;
With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes.

So lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on.

In Christ Alone

Townend

In Christ Alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save.
Till on that cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied,
My every sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day, Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)

Redman

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, worship His holy name, sing like never before
O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up, it's a new day dawning, it's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass, and whatever lies before me, let me be singing when the evening comes

And on that day when my strength is failing, the end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending, ten thousand years and then forevermore

*Bless the Lord, O my soul, O my soul, Worship His holy name, sing like never before
O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name*

Worship Your holy name, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

Sing like never before, O my soul, I'll worship Your holy name

Worship Your holy name, Lord, I'll worship Your holy name

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Greg Smith

...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

His Tithes & Our Offerings

IX. Confession of Sin: The Difference Between the "Wicked" & the "Righteous"

Psalm 32 (page 462)

We Respond

Knowing You

Kendrick

All I once held dear, built my life upon; all this world reveres and wars to own,
All I once thought gain I have counted loss, spent and worthless now compared to this.

*Knowing You, Jesus, knowing You; there is no greater thing.
You're my all, You're my rest, You're my joy, my righteousness;
And I love You, Lord.*

Now my heart's desire is to know You more, to be found in You and known as Yours;
To possess by faith what I could not earn, all surpassing gift of righteousness.

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You're my all, You're my rest, You're my joy, my righteousness;
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Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Communion, also called The Lord's Supper or Eucharist, is the family meal of Christians. We invite all committed followers of Jesus Christ to share in this sacrament: those who are baptized members of a congregation that proclaims the gospel, who are at peace with God and their neighbor, and who seek strength to live in a deeper communion with Jesus. If you are not a Christian, or you are not prepared to share in this meal, we encourage you to spend this time in prayer. We hope that this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with Jesus Christ and with his people, the Church.

(Gluten free communion bread is available upon request; please speak to the pastor before the service or alert your server during communion.)

Thy Word

Smith/Grant

*Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path;
Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.*

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, Still You're there right beside me;
Nothing will I fear as long as You are near, Please be near me to the end

I will not forget Your love for me and yet, My heart forever is wandering;
Jesus be my Guide, and hold me to Your side, And I will love You to the end.

² 4, 5, & 6 year-old children may be dismissed before the sermon to Children's Worship in room 132.

Song of Faith

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)
My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me,
And like a flood His mercy reigns;
Unending love, amazing grace.
Unending love, amazing grace.

Newton/Tomlin

This Week

Tuesday 6:30pm Women's Bible Study @ NCC (Armor of God)	Friday 6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Temple, Inc. (Ezekiel)
Wednesday 7:30pm Praise Worship Band Practice	

³ Just as God called us into His presence at the beginning, so now He commands His blessing upon us as we depart. We look up and extend our hands in a posture of thanksgiving as we receive this great gift. Our final response to God's assurance of His peace and presence upon those who are in Christ is a chorus of joyful song.

DPC Announcements

PRAY FOR OUR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS, as they travel to RYM conference this week.

Get More Connected: Sign up for the weekly email by emailing Tonya at tonya@decaturpca.org.

Next Up! The next four books of Scripture that we'll be reading together via the Cultivate daily readings will be Joel, Titus, Ruth, & 2 Timothy. Sign up today by emailing Tonya at tonya@decaturpca.org

Midweek Ministries: Will resume in September.

Frontline Prayer: Everyone is invited to Mrs Barbara Brownlee's home (2502 Lindisfarne Dr. SW) on Sunday July 8th at 6pm. For one hour we will seek our gracious God together that He might hear and answer our requests for those on the frontline of gospel advancement as well as many among us with special needs. *"Pray without ceasing,"* 1 Thess.5:17

Summer Book Study! Moms of little ones, join us for a Girls' Night Out as we discuss *The Ministry of Motherhood: Following Christ's Example in Reaching the Hearts of Our Children*, by Sally Clarkson. We meet every two weeks on Tuesdays (July 10 & 24) at 7 pm at the McMahan's home (507 Oak Street). Feel free to invite friends for a relaxing and encouraging evening. See Melissa for more details (256-566-8885, mkwmcmahana@msn.com)

“JOY”- Empty Nesters Luncheon: Our next luncheon will be Sunday, July 15 at the church after worship. Bring a dish to share for a time of food and fellowship. If you have questions see Nancy Waldron, Susan Brooks or Barbara Brownlee.

Youth Movie & Pizza Night: Wednesday, July 18, 6:00 pm, bring a friend! *"You better cut the pizza in four pieces because I'm not hungry enough to eat six."* -Yogi Berra

Sermon Outline Notes: for adults and children are available on the back table.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

SUMMER 2018

SUNDAYS @ 9:30 AM

"2 Peter" - Join us as we study 2 Peter. Peter's second letter takes as its theme "the knowledge of God." It is written to provide direction to all who come after the apostolic age. The apostles knew that after their death the gospel message they preached would be challenged by many and discarded by some. This letter is meant to remind readers across the ages that the content of the apostles' message, as put forward in the preaching of Peter, reveals what it truly means to "know God." The class meets down and across the hall from the church office.

Foundations of the Faith: Join us as we study the book of James, where we learn how faith responds to difficult circumstances. This is the believer's daily walk. This class, led by Stuart Smith, meets in the Parlor (in the children/youth wing) and is open to everyone.

Young Adult Class: The Young Adult class, led by Nathan White, is going through a series on the Apostles' Creed, one of the oldest statements of the Christian faith joyfully professed by Christians from multiple traditions. Join us in the choir room, down the back hallway from the sanctuary as we spend one week studying each of the twelve articles of the creed.

Sedona Class: Led by George Godwin, we are currently studying through the Book of Acts. The class meets in the classroom down the back hallway from the sanctuary, across from the choir room. Guests are always welcome!

Session

George Godwin
Jeff Keith
Mike McMahan
Kent Quinn

Greg Smith
Blake Temple
Chip Walraven

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9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship

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