



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

Everybody treats us so nicely. No one seems to think that we mean what we say. When we say "kingdom of God," no one gets apprehensive, as if we had just announced (which we thought we had) that a powerful army is poised on the border, ready to invade. When we say radical things like "Christ," "love," "believe," "peace," and "sin"—words that in other times and cultures excited martyrdoms—the sounds enter the stream of conversation with no more splash than baseball scores and grocery prices.

It's hard to maintain a self-concept as a revolutionary when everyone treats us  
with the same affability they give the grocer.

Eugene Peterson,  
in a book written to pastors

# The Lord's Day — August 26, 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 Assembly<sup>1</sup>

## Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder

Newton

Let us love and sing and wonder, let us praise the Savior's name.  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame.  
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,  
He has washed us with His blood, He has brought us night to God.

Let us love the Lord Who bought us, pitied us when enemies,  
Called us by His grace and taught us, gave us ears and gave us eyes.  
He has washed us with His blood, He has washed us with His blood,  
He has washed us with His blood, He presents our souls to God.

Let us sing though fierce temptation threaten hard to bear us down.  
For the Lord, our strong salvation, holds in view the conqu'ror's crown.  
He, Who washed us with His blood, He, Who washed us with His blood,  
He, Who washed us with His blood, soon will bring us home to God.

Let us praise and join the chorus of the saints enthroned on high.  
Here they trusted Him before us, now their praises fill the sky.  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou hast washed us with Thy blood,  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood, Thou art worthy Lamb of God.

## Welcome and Announcements

## Responsive Call to Worship

from Amos 5:4 & Hebrews 13:14

Leader: Thus says the Lord: "Seek me and live!"

People: For here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come.

## Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 119:57-64

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## Hymn of Praise

## Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Newton/Tomlin

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!

I once was lost, but now am found, was blind, but now I see.

T'was grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;

How precious did that grace appear, the hour I first believed!

*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.*

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;

He will my shield and portion be, as long as life endures.

## Reading of the Word: *Jesus Gives Sight To The Blind*

**Mark 10:46-52**

And they came to Jericho. And as he was leaving Jericho with his disciples and a great crowd, Bartimaeus, a blind beggar, the son of Timaeus, was sitting by the roadside. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to cry out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And many rebuked him, telling him to be silent. But he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped and said, "Call him." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart. Get up; he is calling you." And throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. And Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" And the blind man said to him, "Rabbi, let me recover my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Go your way; your faith has made you well." And immediately he recovered his sight and followed him on the way.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## Confession of Sin

**Eternal God, in whom we live and move and have our being, your face is hidden from us by our sins, and we forget your mercy in the blindness of our hearts. Cleanse us from all our offenses, and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires. With lowliness and meekness may we draw near to you, confessing our faults, confiding in your grace, and finding in you our refuge and strength; through Jesus Christ your Son ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!**

## Peace with God

**Romans 5:1b**

By faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

## **Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs**

### **Come Ye Sinners**

**Smith**

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore.

Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity joined with power.

He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.

Come ye needy, come and welcome; God's free bounty glorify:  
True belief and true repentance, every grace that brings you nigh.  
Without money, without money come to Jesus Christ and buy.

Come ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall.  
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.  
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.  
Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of His blood.  
Venture on Him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

### **Behold Our God**

**Baird/Altrogge**

Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?

Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His words?  
Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

*Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.*

*Behold our King, nothing can compare, come, let us adore Him!*

Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?  
God eternal, humbled to the grave, Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign!

*You will reign forever. Let Your glory fill the earth.*

## **Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition**

**Elder Kent Quinn**

## **His Tithes & Our Offerings**

**Sermon<sup>2</sup>**

**Series: Heart, Soul, Mind, Strength: Love the Lord your God**  
**XIV. "Lord, let our eyes be opened."**  
**2 Kings 6:8-17 (page 312)**

**Pastor Tommy Lee**

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

## **We Respond By Receiving New Members**

### **The Lord Adds to His Church**

*Jake & Liz Cook, Trenton & Mackenzie Howard,  
Gerald Payne, and Helen Twomey*

### **The Membership Vows** (PCA Book of Church Order §57-5)

*Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except through His sovereign mercy?*

*Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?*

*Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as become followers of Christ?*

*Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your abilities?*

*Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?*

### **The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

*Trenton Lee Howard*

### **Prayer for the New Members**

**Elder Greg Smith**

### **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.)*

### **Search Me, Know Me**

**Rainey/Scott**

Search me, know me, try me and see, Every worthless affection hidden in me.

All I'm asking for, Is that You'd cleanse me, Lord.

Create in me a heart that's clean, Conquer the power of secret shame,

Come wash away the guilty stain, Of all my sin.

Clothe me in robes of righteousness, Cover my nakedness with grace

All of my life before You now, I humbly bring.

## Benediction<sup>3</sup>

from Colossians 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him!

## Song of Faith

### Jesus, Only Jesus

Holy, King Almighty, Lord. Saints and angels all adore.

I join with them and bow before, Jesus, only Jesus. Jesus, only Jesus.

## Introduction of New Members

**Jacob and Elizabeth Cook** Jacob (Jake) is the son of Dale Cook and no stranger to DPC. He and his wife, Elizabeth (Liz), grew up in Decatur and Hartselle, attending Decatur Heritage and Priceville High Schools. Jacob works in sales at Weigh Tec Inc. and Elizabeth is a staffing and payroll coordinator for Automation Personnel in Decatur. They both love spending time in the outdoors and with their golden retriever, Edith.

**Trenton & Mackenzie Howard** having grown up in different states, they met in Texas while attending military training for the Air National Guard. Trenton is a Cyber Analyst for CGI Federal, and Mackenzie is a Criminal Analyst for Alabama Counterdrug. They recently married in May of 2018 and are very excited to be a part of the DPC family.

**Gerald Payne** was born in Cullman County, AL, and raised in CO & KS until the age of 17. He was sent to Alabama to live with his grandparents and go to Speake High School. He attended college at Calhoun Community College receiving an Associate Degree. Gerald worked for Monsanto as Safety, Fire Protection, and Security Supervisor at the Sand Mountain Plant in Guntersville. After leaving Monsanto, Gerald started Dimco Equipment Inc., and was the VP & COO. Selling Dimco 6 yrs later, Gerald bought a restaurant, Gerald's Family Restaurant, operating it for 33 years with help from wonderful family, and great employees. Gerald is now enjoying retirement.

**Helen Twomey** is from a large family of 7 girls and 4 boys. Helen has 3 daughters and 1 son. Her son was killed when he was 19 years old. Helen went back to school when she was 34 years old and got her GED. She went to college, taking Accounting & Bookkeeping. After working several office jobs, she retired in 2008 from the Town of Leighton Water & Sewer Dept.

## 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

<sup>3</sup> 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

**Get More Connected:** Sign up for the weekly email by emailing Tonya at [tonya@decaturpca.org](mailto:tonya@decaturpca.org).

**Next Up!** The next four books of Scripture that we'll be reading together via the Cultivate daily readings will be John, 1 Samuel, Revelation, & 2 Samuel. Sign up today by emailing Tonya at [tonya@decaturpca.org](mailto:tonya@decaturpca.org)

**Next Generation Parent Meeting:** Next Sunday, September 2, immediately following worship in the Parlor to discuss classroom pick-up, upcoming events, and Health/Safety Policies.

**Midweek Ministries:** Will resume September 5.

**Ladies Painting Party!** Saturday, September 8, 9:30-12:00 in the DPC Cafe area. Artist Tracy McCann will be teaching and we'll each be completing an 11x14 fall pumpkin painting on canvas. The cost is \$10 to help cover a portion of the class expenses. (If you need WOG to help cover your \$10 please let Elizabeth Lee know so you can still plan to join us). Tracy will need to prepare so please RSVP to Sarah Crupi and pay (cash or check made out to DPC) no later than Wednesday, September 5th. 404-748-0125.

**RUF at UAH** is requesting our help again for snacks for their large group meeting. They would like us to help them on Monday, September 10. There will be a box on the desk in the gathering room for you to drop off any snacks. Snacks can include granola bars, snack cookies, snack size candy bars, snack crackers, etc... If you would like to donate money towards the purchase of snacks, please give it to Elizabeth Lee. All snacks need to be in the box by Sunday, September 9.

**NEW Ladies Sunday School Class:** Beginning Sunday, September 9, we will be studying Galatians in the Library at 9:30 am. This will be a discussion based Bible study, facilitated by Barbara Brownlee, Elizabeth Lee, Julie Missildine and Holly Vinson. Open to all ladies, please join us!

**"JOY"- Empty Nesters Luncheon:** Our next luncheon will be Sunday, September 9, 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.

**Frontline Prayer:** "Jack Miller... said you never see any gospel movement without prayer that is 'kingdom-centered, extraordinary, united and prevailing.'" — Tim Keller, from his article, *Gospel Movement: The Role of Prayer*. Frontline Prayer meets Sunday night, Sept. 9, 6:00 pm, at the Lees' home (2422 Jarvis St. SW). Come join us!

**Women's Bible Study:** This fall, the Women's Bible Study will meet on Tuesday mornings from 9:30-11:00 beginning September 11. It will be facilitated by Teresa Quinn and Annah Joseph. Childcare provided. *None Like Him: 10 Ways God is Different from Us (and Why That's a Good Thing)*, by Jen Wilkin. Available in the DPC Book Nook!

**Table Bridal Shower:** We will be having a table bridal shower for Joy Cowley and Brain Hubbard on Sunday, September 16 to celebrate their new life together. They are registered at Target. See Elizabeth Lee or Margie Thompson with questions.

**Parenting in the 21st Century:** All parents of youth, save this date for what we pray will be an encouraging and fruitful meeting together: Sunday night, Sept. 23, 7:00 pm. Stay tuned.

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

# ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

SUMMER 2018

SUNDAYS @ 9:30 AM

**New Class Starting!** Join us as we study the Westminster Confession of Faith. Written in 1646, it is a study of the doctrinal foundation of the Presbyterian Church. We will discuss the daily spiritual implications of good theology. Taught by Kent Quinn, Mike McMahon, Blake Temple and Scott Mayo. The class meets down and across the hall from the church office.

**Foundations of the Faith:** Join us as we study 1 Samuel, where God raises up a great prophet and priest in Samuel and a great king in David. But God was preparing his people for a much greater King, who would conquer sin and death forever! 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 Lord's Prayer. Join us in the choir room, down the back hallway from the sanctuary.

**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!

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## Session

George Godwin  
Jeff Keith  
Mike McMahan  
Kent Quinn

Greg Smith  
Blake Temple  
Chip Walraven

## Diaconate

James Fudge  
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John Lyons  
Scott Missildine  
Bill Nelson

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## Service Times

9:30am      Sunday School  
10:45am      Worship

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