

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

2 Corinthians 4:5

To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort; to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior; to all who are strangers and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness; and to all who will come—

this church opens wide her doors and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord's Day — September 16, 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

Arise, My Soul, Arise

Wesley

Arise, my soul arise, shake off your guilty fears, The bleeding sacrifice in my behalf appears.

Before the throne, my Surety stands, Before the throne, my Surety stands,

My name is written on His hands.

Arise, arise, arise, arise my soul, arise! Arise, arise, arise my soul, arise, Shake off your guilty fear and rise!

He ever lives above, for me to intercede, His all redeeming love, His precious blood to plead, His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race, And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary, They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me, "Forgive him, oh forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, oh forgive," they cry, "Nor let that ransomed sinner die."

My God is reconciled, His pardoning voice I hear, He owns me for His child, I can no longer fear, With confidence I now draw nigh, With confidence I now draw nigh, And "Father, Abba, Father" cry.

Welcome and Announcements

Report of the Living Church

Jay Suggs

Responsive Call to Worship

from Psalm 95:1-3

Pastor: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord!

People: Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

Pastor: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

All: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 119:81-88

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Hymn of Praise

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Bateman

Come, Christians join to sing, Alleluia! Amen! Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen! Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice; Praise is His gracious choice, Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end, Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen! Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen! On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore, Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen!

Reading of the Word: Jesus gives a sacrament to his church

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for his sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life for the glory of your holy name ... Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Redemption Through His Blood

Ephesians 1:7-10

In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight making known to us the mystery of his will, according to his purpose, which he set forth in Christ as a plan for the fullness of time, to unite all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

The Church's One Foundation

Stone

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord:
She is his new creation by water and the Word;
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth. Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth; One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food, And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war, She waits the consummation of peace forevermore; Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest, And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One, And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won; O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we, Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Revelation Song

Riddle

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain, Holy, Holy, is He Sing a new song, to Him who sits on Heaven's Mercy Seat

Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty
Who was, and is, and is to come. With all creation I sing:
Praise to the King of Kings! You are my everything, and I will adore You...

Clothed in rainbows, of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to You the Only Wise King.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder at the mention of Your Name Jesus, Your Name is Power, Breath, and Living Water such a marvelous mystery.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Jeff Keith

His Tithes & Our Offerings

Sermon²

Series: Heart, Soul, Mind, Strength: Love the Lord your God XVI. The Sacraments Of Our Lord Jesus Christ Ephesians 4:4-5 & 1 Corinthians 11:17-29 (pages 977 & 958)

Pastor Tommy Lee

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

We Respond: with the Taking of Vows

Covenant Children Come to the Table

Madeline, Anna Kate, & Lucy McMahan Covenant Children of Mike & Melissa McMahan

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?

Prayer Elder Jeff Keith

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.)

He Will Hold Me Fast

Habershon

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast. When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path. For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast. For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast. Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last. Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast. Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast, Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last.

Benediction³

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Song of Faith

Whom Shall I Fear (Angel Armies)

Cash, Cash & Tomlin

I know who goes before me, I know who stands behind The God of angel armies is always by my side The one who reigns forever, He is a Friend of mine The God of angel armies is always by my side

This Week

Tuesday 6:30am

Men's Bible Study @ Java Jaay (Joshua)

Tuesday 9:30-11:00am

Ladies Bible Study @ DPC (None Like Him)

Tuesday @ Noon

Men's Bible Study @ Kent's Office (Romans)

Tuesday 6:30pm

Women's Bible Study @ NCC (Armor of God)

Wednesday 5:00pm

Middle School Choir / Soli Deo Gloria

Wednesday 5:30pm

Church Family Meal

Wednesday 6:00-6:30pm

Kids Choirs:

5 Year Old - 2nd Grade / Kids of the King

3rd Grade - 5th Grade / Dare 2 Declare

Wednesday 6:00-7:30pm

DPC Youth! (6th-8th Grade)

DPC Youth! (9th-12th Grade)

Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm

Worship Choir Practice

Wednesday 6:15-7:15pm

Adult Open Door Study (Prayer)

Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm

Life Groups

Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm

4 Year Olds & Kindergarten / Kid's Quest

1st - 2nd Grade / Kid's Quest

3rd - 5th Grade / Kid's Quest

Wednesday 7:30pm

Praise Worship Band Practice

Friday 6:30am

Men's Bible Study @ Temple, Inc. (Ezekiel)

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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

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 John, 1 Samuel, Revelation, & 2 Samuel. Sign up today by emailing Tonya at tonya@decaturpca.org

Midweek Ministries: Come join us every Wednesday night! Church family meal at 5:30 pm, followed by several ministry opportunities.

Church Family Meal: Wednesday nights, 5:30pm. Cost is \$5.00/per person, with a \$20.00 cap per family. The menu for this Wednesday, September 19: Elena is Cooking!, Salad, Bread, and Drink. Sign ups are not needed

Women's Bible Study: Meets on Tues. mornings from 9:30-11:00. It is facilitated by Teresa Quinn and Annah Joseph. Childcare provided. *None Like Him,* by Jen Wilkin. Available in the DPC Book Nook!

Table Bridal Shower: for Joy Cowley & Brian Hubbard TODAY 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 are invited to the Lee home (2422 Jarvis St. SW) next Sunday, Sept. 23, 7:00 pm, for discussion about one of the most significant callings in the world. See Tommy with any questions.

Bridal Shower: for Anna Knowling, fiance of Nelson Littrell, on Sunday, October 7, 2:00 pm. at the home of Carol Godwin (1610 Brookmeade Road SE). Anna is registered at Bed Bath and Beyond, Williams Sonoma, Pottery Barn, Restoration Hardware and Lawrens.

Youth, Night Games & Ice Cream: Sunday night, October 7, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, meet at the Youth Room. Invite your friends! "How did it get so late so soon?"—Dr. Seuss, American philosopher and intellectual

Next Generation Fun: All 5-11 year olds and their families are invited to a play a fun game of kickball after church on Sunday, October 14th. We will eat lunch together and then play kickball afterwards. Lunch will be provided. Remember to pack a change of clothes!

Silent Auction Donations: Like last year, we'll have a silent auction at the Fall Festival to help fund RYM for our students. We can't do it without your support! One way to help is simply to participate in the auction, and we need items to sell. If you have any goods or services to donate for the auction, please email Nathan at nathan@decaturpca.org.

18-25 Year Olds: There is an amazing conference happening in January with the hopes of seeing a new generation live for the most loving cause in the universe: bringing people from every tribe, tongue, and nation into the everlasting joy of knowing and worshipping Jesus. Check it out at www.crossforthenations.org. See Tommy!

DPC 2019 Christian Faith & Life Conference: Plan to join us for a great conference February 22-24. Our guest speaker will be Pastor Sandy Willson. For a taste of Pastor Willson's ministry, visit youtube and type in "Sandy Willson To The World."

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

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ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

FALL 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!

Ladies Sunday School Class: We are studying Galatians in the library at 9:30 am. This is a discussion based Bible study, facilitated by Barbara Brownlee, Elizabeth Lee, Julie Missildine and Holly Vinson. Open to all ladies, please join us!

Session	Diaconate
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George Godwin	Greg Smith	James Fudge	Steve Sasser
Jeff Keith	Blake Temple	Wade Littrell	Sam Thompson
Mike McMahan	Chip Walraven	John Lyons	Michael Vinson
Kent Quinn		Scott Missildine	David Whitcomb
		Bill Nelson	David Zajic

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Service Times

9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship

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