



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

We have a speaking God... the clear speech of a God who reveals himself in words  
which we can grasp, that are meaningful.

Peter Lewis

One proof of the inspiration of the Bible is that it has withstood so much poor preaching.

A.T. Robertson

Here is Rock; all else is sand.

J.C. Ryle

Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

Jesus, praying to his Father

# The Lord's Day — January 19, 2020 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>

## Jesus Messiah

Tomlin

He became sin who knew no sin that we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross, love so amazing love so amazing

*Jesus Messiah Name above all names, Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven, Jesus Messiah Lord of all*

His body the bread His blood the wine, broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn, love so amazing love so amazing  
All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You, All the glory to You God, the Light of the world

## Welcome and Announcements

## Report of the Living Church

Connor Ross

## Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 124:8; Amos 5:4

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**People: Who made heaven and earth!**

Pastor: This says the Lord:

**People: "Seek me and live!"**

## Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 28

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Immortal, invisible, God only wise, In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,  
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days, Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

Unresting, unhasting and silent as light, Nor wanting, nor wasting, thou rulest in might;  
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above, Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love.

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light, Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight;  
All praise we would render, O help us to see, 'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee!

**Reading of the Word: "God is not man, that he should lie"****Numbers 23:13,17-23**

And Balak said to him, "Please come with me to another place, from which you may see them.... Then curse them for me from there.".... And Balak said to him, "What has the Lord spoken?" And Balaam took up his discourse and said, "Rise, Balak, and hear; give ear to me, O son of Zippor: God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind. Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it? Behold, I received a command to bless: he has blessed, and I cannot revoke it. He has not beheld misfortune in Jacob, nor has he seen trouble in Israel. The Lord their God is with them, and the shout of a king is among them. God brings them out of Egypt and is for them like the horns of the wild ox. For there is no enchantment against Jacob, no divination against Israel; now it shall be said of Jacob and Israel, 'What has God wrought!'

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Confession of Sin**

**Father in heaven, we need to be forgiven. You have said "Fear not, for I am with you," yet we are fearful of the rejection and persecution of others. You have promised that your Word is powerful unto salvation, yet we doubt the power of your word to change ourselves or anyone else. You have said that your word is alive, a sharp two-edged sword, yet we neglect it and find it dull and irrelevant for our lives. You have called your people to bear witness to the truth of your word yet we often fail to believe it ourselves, let alone share it with others. Have mercy on us according to your steadfast love in Christ. Lord we believe, help our unbelief and forgive us for our sin ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!**

**Words of Hope and Life****Psalm 103:8-12**

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

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

### **Lord Most High**

**Harris/Sadler**

From the ends of the earth (Echo), From the depths of the sea (Echo)  
From the heights of the heavens (Echo), Your name be praised  
From the hearts of the weak (Echo), From the shouts of the strong (Echo)  
From the lips of all people (Echo), This song we raise Lord  
Throughout the endless ages, You will be crowned with praises, Lord Most High  
Exalted in every nation, Sovereign of all creation, Lord Most High be magnified

### **Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah**

**Williams**

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land.  
I am weak, but Thou are mighty; hold me with Thy powerful hand.  
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore;  
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing waters flow;  
Let the fiery cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through.  
Strong Deliverer, be Thou still my Strength and Shield;  
Strong Deliverer, be Thou still my Strength and Shield.

### **10,000 Reasons (Bless The Lord)**

**Redman**

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 Blake Temple**

## **His Tithes & Our Offerings**

## XXXIII. The Truth of the Word

John 17:6,8,14,17 (page 903)

**We Confess Our Faith**

from Ephesians 3:14-19

**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named. We believe in Jesus Christ the only Son, our Lord who redeems us by grace, through faith, and fills us with his love. We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high. We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**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.)*

**I Saw the Cross****Carpenter**

I saw the cross of Jesus, when burdened with my sin; I sought the cross of Jesus, to give me peace within;

He drew my soul to Him and then He cleansed it in His blood;

And in the cross of Jesus Christ I found my peace with God.

I love the cross of Jesus, it tells me what I am, A vile and guilty creature, saved only through the Lamb;

No righteousness nor merit mine, no beauty can I plead;

Yet in the cross I glory, my title there I read.

I trust the cross of Jesus, in every trying hour, My sure and certain refuge, my never failing tower;

In every fear and conflict see I more than conqueror am;

Though living safe, or dying, through Christ, the risen Lamb.

*Safe, Safe am I, in the cross of Jesus! Still resting in a peace that is unshaken*

*Then in glory I'll sing His wondrous power, Where sin can never enter in, and death is known no more.*

*And in the cross of Jesus Christ I found my peace with God.*

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

**Benediction<sup>3</sup>**

**from Ephesians 1:3-4**

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, has blessed his church in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. He has chosen his sons and daughters in Christ, before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. Blessed be his Name!

**Song of Faith**

**God and God Alone**

**McHugh**

God and God alone, is fit to take the universe's throne.  
Let everything that lives reserve its truest praise, for God and God alone.

**This Week**

<b>Tuesday 6:30am</b> Men's Bible Study @ Java Jaay (1 Corinthians)	<b>Wednesday 6:00-7:30pm</b> DPC Youth! (6 <sup>th</sup> -8 <sup>th</sup> Grade) DPC Youth! (9 <sup>th</sup> -12 <sup>th</sup> Grade)
<b>Tuesday 9:30-11:00am</b> Ladies Bible Study @ DPC (Revelation)	<b>Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm</b> Worship Choir Practice
<b>Tuesday @ Noon</b> Men's Bible Study @ Kent's Office (Revelation)	<b>Wednesday 6:15-7:15pm</b> Open Door Study (On Heaven)
<b>Tuesday 6:30pm</b> Women's Bible Study @ NCC (Gospel of Mark)	<b>Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm</b> Life Groups
<b>Wednesday 1:00pm</b> (2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday) Singed Out for Christ	<b>Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm</b> 4 Year Olds & Kindergarten / Kid's Quest 1 <sup>st</sup> - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade / Kid's Quest 3 <sup>rd</sup> - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade / Kid's Quest
<b>Wednesday 5:00pm</b> Middle School Choir / Soli Deo Gloria	<b>Wednesday 7:30pm</b> Praise Worship Band Practice
<b>Wednesday 5:30pm</b> Church Family Meal	<b>Friday 6:30am</b> Men's Bible Study @ Temple, Inc. (Paul's Letters to the Thessalonians)
<b>Wednesday 6:00-6:30pm</b> Kids Choirs: 5 Year Old - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade / Kids of the King 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade - 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade / Dare 2 Declare	

<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.

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## DPC Announcements

**Thank You to all those that have prayed for the Set Free From Within ministry in 2019. Your prayers, partnerships, and donations are greatly appreciated, and make it all possible. Joy Cowley Hubbard**

**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 Lamentations, Mark, Exodus, and Galatians. Sign up today by emailing Tonya at [tonya@decaturpca.org](mailto:tonya@decaturpca.org)

**Midweek Ministries:** Join us each Wednesday, 5:30pm - 7:30pm @ DPC. Come enjoy a cooked or catered meal (\$5/person or \$20/family) and then plug into a variety of fellowship & growth opportunities: Children, Youth, Choir, Life Groups, Open Door Study.

**Congregational Meeting:** A congregational meeting will be held immediately after worship service next Sunday morning, January 26, to vote on the Session's recommended slate of your officer nominees: For re-appointment to the Session after the expiration of a 3-yr. term - **Elders George Godwin, Jeff Keith, Kent Quinn, and Blake Temple**; For election to the office of ruling elder - **Brian Rodgers** (Brian has successfully completed the officer training, examined and approved by the Session); For re-appointment to the Diaconate after the expiration of a 3 yr. term - **Bill Nelson**. See Rick Stark or Tommy Lee with any questions.

**RYM Fundraiser at Sam's Sports Grill:** On Thursday, January 30th, from 3:00-close, Sam's Sports Grill in Decatur will give 10% of their sales of all non-discounted food to our youth group's RYM fundraising efforts. Come enjoy some good food and help our students pay for RYM! See Nathan with any questions.

**Pancake Breakfast:** Sunday, February 16, the youth will host a pancake breakfast, 8:00am-9:15. You can help us with this by making a small donation that morning and eating some good food, and/or donating pancake mix, juice, or sausage patties. If you'd like to donate any of these items, email Nathan at [nathan@decaturpca.org](mailto:nathan@decaturpca.org).

**"Soup For Souls":** Fundraiser benefiting the Neighborhood Christian Center's children and youth ministry. Thursday, March 5th, 5:30-7:30 pm, at Sykes Place (726 Bank Street). Tickets are \$30. For more information call: 256.351.7633 or [decaturnc1994@gmail.com](mailto:decaturnc1994@gmail.com)

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

# ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

WINTER 2020

SUNDAYS @ 9:30 AM

**The Fun Adult Class!** James has 59 commands in 108 verses, directing us to the royal law of King Jesus (2:8). The hasty reader may not see much of the gospel in James, but the double mention of God's grace at the rhetorical climax of the book shows that the gospel of James is still the message of God's grace for sinners. Please join us.

**New Sunday School Class!** The Foundations Class and Young Adult Class have merged! This class, led by Stuart Smith and Nathan White meets in the parlor. Our first series is on 1 Corinthians. We'd love for you to join us!

**Sedona Class:** Led by George Godwin, we are currently studying through the Book of Mark. 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 1 & 2 Thessalonians, in the library at 9:30 am. This is a discussion based Bible study, open to all ladies, please join us!

## Session

George Godwin  
Jeff Keith  
Mike McMahan  
Kent Quinn

Jason Seale  
Jay Suggs  
Blake Temple  
Chip Walraven

## Diaconate

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Wade Littrell  
John Lyons  
Scott Missildine  
Steve Sasser  
Sam Thompson  
Michael Vinson  
David Whitcomb  
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## Service Times

9:30am      Sunday School  
10:45am      Worship

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