

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 object of a New Year is not that we should have a new year. It is that we should have a new soul and a new nose; new feet, a new backbone, new ears, and new eyes. Unless a particular man made New Year's resolutions, he would make no resolutions. Unless a man starts afresh about things, he will certainly do nothing effective.

~ G.K. Chesterton

For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words, of him will the Son of Man be ashamed when He comes in His glory, and the glory of the Father and of the holy angels.

Luke 9:26

The Lord's Day — January 26, 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 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

Psalm 90:12-14

Pastor: So teach us to number our days, People: that we may get a heart of wisdom.

Pastor: Return, O Lord! How long? Have pity on your servants.

People: Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 29

Hymn of Praise

Come, Thou Almighty King

Anonymous

Come, Thou Almighty King, help us Thy Name to sing, Help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come Thou Incarnate Word, gird on Thy mighty sword, Our prayer attend. Come, and Thy people bless, And give Thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, Thy sacred witness bear, In this glad hour. Thou Who almighty art, Now rule in every heart, And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

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Reading of the Word: The Return of The Ark of the Covenant

2 Samuel 6:5, 12-19

And David and all the house of Israel were celebrating before the Lord, with songs and lyres and harps and tambourines and castanets and cymbals... So David went and brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom to the city of David with rejoicing. And when those who bore the ark of the Lord had gone six steps, he sacrificed an ox and a fattened animal. And David danced before the Lord with all his might. And David was wearing a linen ephod. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the Lord with shouting and with the sound of the horn. As the ark of the Lord came into the city of David, Michal the daughter of Saul looked out of the window and saw King David leaping and dancing before the Lord, and she despised him in her heart. And they brought in the ark of the Lord and set it in its place, inside the tent that David had pitched for it. And David offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the Lord. And when David had finished offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the Lord of hosts and distributed among all the people, the whole multitude of Israel, both men and women, a cake of bread, a portion of meat, and a cake of raisins to each one. Then all the people departed, each to his house.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Most holy and merciful Father: we acknowledge and confess how we are so prone to evil, slothful in good, and dullness of joy; and all these, our shortcomings and offenses, against the leading of the Holy Spirit and the longing of Your return. But, O Lord, have mercy on us, who are ashamed and sorry for all wherein we have not loved You, even displeasing You. Teach us to hate our sins, cleanse us, forgive us, free us by Your Spirit and ready us for the return of our King Jesus ... Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Assurance of Pardon in Christ

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Who Can Satisfy My Soul?

Jernigan

Who can satisfy my soul like You? Who on earth could comfort me and love me like You do. Who could ever be more faithful, true? I will trust in You. I will trust in You, my God.

Living Water, rain down Your life on me, Cleansing me, refreshing me with life abundantly. River full of life, I'll go where You lead. And I will trust in You, Lord, I will trust in You, my God.

There is a fountain who is the King, Victorious Warrior and Lord of everything. My Rock, my Shelter, my very own, Blessed Redeemer, Who reigns upon the throne!

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!

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 George Godwin

Singing to the Lord

My Lord's Prayer

Worship Choir

Dear Father in heaven and all earth below, blessed be Your name, blessed be Your name.

May Your kingdom come and Your will be done as it is in heaven.

We ask for bread, our table You fill; forgive our debts and our debtors still And lead us away from temptation and sin, t'ward the light of Your kingdom. You are our source, You are our power; You are the glory; You are forever. Amen! Sermon² Pastor Rick Stark

What If...? Leaning Forward Into 2020 Luke 17:20-37 (page 876)

We Respond Lo, He Comes Wesley

Lo! He comes in glory shining, saints arise and meet your King. Glorious captain of salvation, "welcome, welcome" hear them sing. Shouts of triumph, Shouts of triumph, make the heav'ns with echoes ring.

Lo! He comes with clouds descending, once for our salvation slain. Thousand, thousand saints attending, swell the triumph of His train. Alleluia! Alleluia! God appears on earth to reign.

Yea amen let all adore Thee, high on thine eternal throne. Savior take the power and glory, claim the kingdom for thine own. O Come quickly, O come quickly, alleluia, come Lord, come!

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.

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

Benediction3

from Dale Ralph Davis

Now the God who is mighty, the Lamb who is worthy, and the Spirit who is near, fortify you to live faithfully in these days and all the days until Jesus comes. Amen

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

Tuesday 6:30am

Men's Bible Study @ Java Jaay (1 Corinthians)

Tuesday 9:30-11:00am

Ladies Bible Study @ DPC (Revelation)

Tuesday @ Noon

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

Tuesday 6:30pm

Women's Bible Study @ NCC (Gospel of Mark)

Wednesday 1:00pm (2nd & 4th Wednesday)

Singled Out for Christ Bible Study

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

Open Door Study (On Heaven)

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 Ouest

Wednesday 7:30pm

Praise Worship Band Practice

Friday 6:30am

Men's Bible Study @ Temple, Inc. (Paul's Letters to the

Thessalonians)

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

Thank you to all for the love and gifts (especially the amazing rehearsal dinner) lavished upon our family in the marriage of Rachel Stark to Warren Foy! Rick & Betsy Stark

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 Exodus, Galatians, Esther, and 1 John . Sign up today by emailing Tonya at 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 TODAY, 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: This 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.

Call to Prayer: Short term medical missionaries are headed out again to serve the medical and eyeglasses needs of the people of the Dominican Republic with Dr. Sylvia Martinez, February 21-28. Please be in prayer *by name* for these medical professionals going: Jay Suggs, Carol Godwin, Jordan Littrell, Rhonda Stephens, Todd Stone, Jacque Clay, Karl Kuberg, Eric Decker, and Brock Daughtry. The fields are white with harvest!

New "Welcome to DPC" Class: Visitors and new friends are invited to the WtDPC Classes beginning February 9th, 9:15am-10:30am in Youth Room #2. For 7 weeks, we will learn about the gospel, the reformed tradition, and church membership at DPC.

JOY (Empty-Nesters) Luncheon: The next JOY covered dish luncheon is Sunday, February 9, following the worship service. Questions? Please see Susan Brooks, Barbara Brownlee, or Nancy Waldron.

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

Corporate Sunday School Gathering: Plan to join us for a corporate Sunday School class on February 16 at 9:30am. Our special guest speaker will be Ike Reeder, President of Birmingham Theological Seminary. You won't want to miss him!

"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 decaturncc1994@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 Diaconate

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Service Times

9:30am Sunday School 10:45am Worship

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