



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

Until we are reconciled to God by the blood of Jesus, everything to which we look for  
satisfaction will surely disappoint us.

God formed us originally for Himself, and has therefore given the human mind such a vastness of desire,  
such a thirst for happiness as He alone can answer.

And therefore, till we seek our rest in Him, in vain we seek it elsewhere.

Neither the hurries of business, nor the allurements of pleasure, nor the accomplishment of our wishes,  
can fill up the mighty void that is felt within.

John Newton

# The Lord's Day — August 16, 2020 A.D.

Welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus! Thank you for joining us today and may the Lord richly bless you.

## Song of Assembly<sup>1</sup>

### Purify My Heart (Refiner's Fire)

Doerksen

Purify my heart, let me be as gold and precious silver.

Purify my heart, let me be as gold, pure gold.

*Refiner's fire, my heart's one desire is to be holy set apart for You Lord.*

*I choose to be holy, set apart for You my master, ready to do Your will.*

Purify my heart, cleanse me from within and make me holy.

Purify my heart, cleanse me from my sin, deep within.

## Welcome and Announcements

### Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 36:5-7

Pastor: Your steadfast love, O Lord, extends to the heavens, your faithfulness to the clouds.

**All: Your righteousness is like the mountains of God!**

Pastor: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

**All: The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings.**

### Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 58

### Hymn of Praise

#### Holy, Holy, Holy

Dykes

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,

Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,

Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee,

Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!

All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth, and sky and sea,

Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty,

God in three persons, blessed Trinity.

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## **Reading of the Word: *the Sabbath was made for man***

**Mark 2:23-28**

One Sabbath he was going through the grainfields, and as they made their way, his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. And the Pharisees were saying to him, “Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the Sabbath?” And he said to them, “Have you never read what David did, when he was in need and was hungry, he and those who were with him: how he entered the house of God, in the time of Abiathar the high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and also gave it to those who were with him?” And he said to them, “The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath. So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath.”

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

## **Confession of Sin**

**Merciful Father, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with all our heart, and we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name and the good of the world ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!**

## **Hear the Good News!**

**Ephesians 2:4-5; Colossians 1.13-14**

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.... He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

## Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

### Indescribable

Story

From the highest of heights, to the depths of the sea, Creation's revealing your majesty.  
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring; Every creature unique in the song that it sings; All exclaiming:

*Indescribable! Uncontainable! You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name. You are amazing God!  
All powerful, untamable; awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim. You are amazing God!*

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go? Or seen Heavenly storehouses laden with snow?  
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light? Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?

None can fathom:

*Incomparable, unchangeable; You know the depths of my heart and you love me the same.  
You are amazing God! You are amazing God!*

### Come Ye Sinners

Ortega

Come ye sinners, poor and needy, weak and wounded, sick and sore;  
Jesus ready, stands to save you full, of pity, love and pow'r.

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome, God's free bounty glorify;  
True belief and true repentance, Every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden, Lost and ruined by the fall;  
If you tarry 'til you're better, you will never come at all.

*I will arise and go to Jesus, He will embrace me in his arms;  
In the arms of my dear savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.  
In the arms of my dear savior, O, there are ten thousand charms.*

### 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.

**Sermon**

**Series: Be Strong In The Lord** (Ephesians 6:10)

**Pastor Tommy Lee**

**XII. Rest Is Part Of Strength, Part II**

**Exodus 31:12-17** (page 72)

(9:00 Service)

**The Sacrament of Holy Baptism**

*Ashlyn Hope Seale*

*Covenant Child of Jason & Allison Seale*

**Solemn Vows - Parents**

*Do you acknowledge your child's need of the cleansing blood of Jesus Christ, and the renewing grace of the Holy Spirit?*

*Do you claim God's covenant promises on her behalf, and do you look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ for her salvation, as you do for your own?*

*Do you now present this child to be baptized into the Christian Faith, and promise, in humble reliance upon divine grace, that you will endeavor to set before her a godly example, that you will pray with her and for her, that you will teach her the doctrines of our holy faith, and that you will strive, by all means of God's appointment, to bring her up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord?*

**Solemn Vows - Congregation**

*Do you, members of this congregation and also members of the Body of Christ outside of this local church, undertake this responsibility - assisting the parents in the Christian nurture of this child?*

**Solemn Words to the Children**

*Little child, Jesus Christ has come, he has fought, he has suffered. He has entered into the shadows of Gethsemane and the terrors of Calvary; he has uttered the cry "It is finished!" He has risen from the dead and ascended into heaven, and there he intercedes for his church. Today we have pledged to teach you all of these things, and our prayer for you is that you will always mature and grow in the grace and in the knowledge of our great Lord and Savior - Jesus Christ.*

**Prayer for Ashlyn**

**Elder George Godwin**

(10:45 Service)

**We Respond By Confessing Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed<sup>2</sup>**

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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<sup>2</sup> The Apostle's Creed is a concise summary of Christian belief. As early as the second century it served as a baptismal confession. It developed and reached its current form by the ninth century. It is the most popular creed used in worship by Western Christians. The word "catholic" means universal.

## 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.)*

### Come Unto Me

Schmidt

Take my yoke, my yoke is easy.  
Take my burdens, my burdens are light.  
Learn from me, I'm gentle and humble.  
Come to me for rest for your soul,  
Come to me for rest for your soul.

*Come unto me, all who are weary and I will give you rest.  
Give to me, the burdens you carry and I will give you rest.*

## Benediction<sup>3</sup>

from 2 Timothy 4:18

May the Lord rescue you all from every evil deed and bring you safely into his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Song of Faith

### Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Newton/Tomlin

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.

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<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).

**Sunday Nursery & Childcare:** As of August 9th, we have re-launched our ministry of nursery & childcare for both Sunday morning worship services. Our ministry team will ensure all the wisest protocols for health and safety are practiced. If you have any questions, please contact Erika Ladner (256.394.8508, [enodell@gmail.com](mailto:enodell@gmail.com))

**Worship by Live Stream Information:** Both services are now Live Streamed. It is the 10:45am service that will be permanently posted to the youtube channel and remain available anytime for those who need to worship with us in that manner. The link is: [www.decaturpca.org](http://www.decaturpca.org) - click the "Watch Livestream".

**Youth Group Live Stream:** Nathan is conducting a live stream for the youth, at 6:00 PM on Wednesday nights. To find the channel, simply go to YouTube and search 'Decatur PCA Youth Ministry.' It should be the top result.

**Drive-Thru Baby Shower:** In order to keep everyone safe, friends and family are having a "Drive Thru" baby shower for Kelly Thomas today, Sunday, August 16 @ 2 PM. Everyone is invited to drive by 632 Jackson St SE and say hello. Kelly is having a boy and is registered at Target and [babylist.com](http://babylist.com)

**Table Bridal Shower:** for John Bolding and his fiancé Melissa Thurber next Sunday, August 23. There will be a table in the gathering room for you to leave your gifts as they prepare for marriage. They are registered at Target and Walmart.

**Secret Sister:** September-May. All ladies are invited to participate. It's a great way to encourage one another in the Lord. More info & sign up sheets are on the desk in the gathering room. Forms due by Sept. 6. New this year is porch drop offs & mailing if interested. Return forms to Elizabeth Lee ([elizabethleemomof5@att.net](mailto:elizabethleemomof5@att.net)) or leave on the desk.

**Youth Girls 6th - 12th Grade:** are invited to participate in Youth Secret Sister. This is a great way to encourage one another. More information about what is required and sign up sheets can be found on the desk in the gathering room. Forms are due by September 6. Turn in forms to Elizabeth Lee

# ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

SUMMER 2020

(Temporarily Suspended)

**American Gospel:** The gospel message of "Christ crucified" has always been offensive. We are exploring how the paths of post-modernism and progressive Christianity lead to a different gospel, a god created in our own image.

**The Parlor Class:** This class, led by Stuart Smith & Nathan White meets in the parlor. We are studying the Nicene Creed, one of the earliest & most important expressions of our faith. 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!

**The WtDPC Class!** Led by Pastor Rick Stark, this is a warm fellowship and opportunity for all our guests and any interested in understanding the life, theology, and direction of DPC. Room 142 at the end of the Children's wing.

## Session

George Godwin  
Jeff Keith  
Kent Quinn  
Brian Rodgers

Jason Seale  
Jay Suggs  
Blake Temple  
Chip Walraven

## Diaconate

James Fudge  
Wade Littrell  
John Lyons  
Bill Nelson

Sam Thompson  
Michael Vinson  
David Whitcomb

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## Service Times

9:00am Worship Service #1 (Mask-Only Service)

10:45am Worship Service #2

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