

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

2 Corinthians 4:5

God shall arise, his enemies shall be scattered; and those who hate him shall flee before him!

As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive them away; as wax melts before fire, so the wicked shall perish before God!

But the righteous shall be glad; they shall exult before God; they shall be jubilant with joy!

Psalm 68:1-3

The Lord's Day — October 25, 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 Assembly¹

I'm Singing

Tomlin/Cash/Jobe

Only one name lasts forever, only one fame stands alone Only one king has an anthem, that goes on and on and on

And I'm singing to the God who brings redemption to the nations, Kings and oceans bow to Him in praise And I'm singing to the God who wrote the book on our salvation, To the One who covers me in grace I'm singing

Only one word in the beginning, only one truth will prevail Only one love brings you freedom, only one Man took the nails

Praise, praise to the Savior. Praise, to the Lamb Of God Praise, in all of His splendor. Praise, for saving my life.

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To the One who covers me in grace, to the One who covers me in grace

I'm singing, I'm singing, I'm singing, I'm singing

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 89:1-4, 5a, 52a

Pastor: I will sing of the steadfast love of the Lord, forever;

People: With my mouth I will make known your faithfulness to all generations!

Pastor: For I said, "Steadfast love will be built up forever;

People: In the heavens you will establish your faithfulness!"

Pastor: You have said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant: 'I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations.'"

People: Let the heavens praise your wonders, O Lord. Blessed be the Lord forever!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 68

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Hymn of Praise

Grace Like Rain

Collins

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! And I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind, but now I see so clearly.

Hallelujah! Grace like rain falls down on me. Hallelujah! And all my stains are washed away, They're washed away.

> 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

> When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing Your praise than when we first begun.

Hallelujah, hallelujah, Hallelujah all my stains are washed away, they're washed away.

Reading of the Word: "the sword of the Spirit"

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And no creature is hidden from his sight, but all are naked and exposed to the eyes of him to whom we must give account.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

O Father, we are gathered before you, whose dwelling place is with the broken of spirit and the contrite of heart, to confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed. We have not loved you as we should; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. In your mercy, deepen our sorrow for the wrong we have done and for the good we have left undone. Only do not leave us in our sorrow. As we admit our sin and shame, show us the truth of forgiveness, the hope of promise, and the joy of salvation ... Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Hear the Good News! Romans 10:9,13

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved... For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Sing to the King

Foote

Sing to the King Who is coming to reign; Glory to Jesus, the Lamb that was slain Life and salvation His empire shall bring and joy to the nations when Jesus is King.

Come, let us sing a song, a song declaring we belong to Jesus, He is all we need. Lift up a heart of praise, sing now with voices raised to Jesus, sing to the King.

For His returning we watch and we pray, we will be ready the dawn of that day We'll join in singing with all the redeemed 'cause Satan is vanquished and Jesus is King!

He Will Rejoice Over You

Brown/Hampton

The Lord, our God is with you; He is mighty to save. The Lord will take great delight in you; He will quiet you with His love.

He will rejoice over you, He will rejoice over you. If you could only hear His voice, you would hear the Lord rejoice, Rejoicing over you with singing.

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Thy Word

Smith/Grant

Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path; Thy Word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

When I feel afraid, and I think I've lost my way, Still You're there right beside me; Nothing will I fear as long as You are near, Please be near me to the end

I will not forget Your love for me and yet, My heart forever is wandering; Jesus be my Guide, and hold me to Your side, And I will love You to the end.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Jeff Keith

Sermon

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

XX. If You're In The Fight, You'll Need This Sword

Ephesians 6:10-20 (page 979)

Pastor Tommy Lee

For All the Saints

How

For all the saints, who from their labors rest, Who Thee by faith before the world confessed, Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress, and their Might; Thou, Lord, their Captain in the well-fought fight; Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light. Alleluia!

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold, Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old, And win with them the victor's crown of gold. Alleluia! Alleluia!

The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia! Alleluia!

But lo! There breaks a yet more glorious day; The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!

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.)

How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

Newton

How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds, and drives away his fear.

It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast; 'Tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary rest.

Dear Name! The Rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place, My never-failing treas'ry filled with boundless stores of grace.

Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend, my Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, accept the praise I bring.

Benediction² 2 Corinthians 13:14

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

Song of Faith

The Gospel Is True

Hampton

Thank you, Jesus, Oh how we worship You. Thank You, Jesus. Hallelujah, the gospel is true. Hallelujah, the gospel is true.

This Week

Tuesday 6:30am

Men's Bible Study @ Java Jaay (2 Timothy)

Tuesday 9:30-11:00am

Ladies Bible Study via Zoom (Philippians)

Tuesday @ Noon

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

Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm

DPC Youth! (6th-8th Grade)

DPC Youth! (9th-12th Grade)

Wednesday 7:30pm

Praise Worship Band Practice

Friday 6:30am

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

the Thessalonians)

² 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.

Church Family Reminders

Daylight Saving Time: Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour this Saturday, October 31.

Get More Connected: Sign up for the weekly email by emailing Tonya at tonya@decaturpca.org.

2020 October Fall Festival Cancelled: The annual October 28th Fall Festival celebrating the season and celebrating the launch of the historic Protestant Reformation of 1517, and which we have been partnering with St. Peter's Missionary Baptist Church, will have to be cancelled due to our current Covid-19 conditions.

Providence Presbytery: November 10th, 9am to 12:00pm, DPC will host the Providence Presbytery meeting, comprised of the N. Alabama PCA churches. We convene once a quarter to pray, worship, qualify men entering into ministry, and deliberate on issues concerning our churches. If you are interested/curious, join us as an observing guest.

WOG Favorite Things Party: All ladies of DPC are invited to a time of fellowship, dessert and hot drinks on Sunday, November 15, 2:30 pm in the Gathering Room. Please bring THREE (\$10 or less each) all the same items to the party. Everyone will leave with 3 items. See Elizabeth Lee with questions.

Singled Out for Christ Postponed: Formerly known as Friends Without Spouses, this ministry has decided to postpone any activities for the foreseeable future. If you have questions, please contact Alice Green (256) 975-9709 or Mary (MJ) Brinkman (256) 686-2000.

Online Giving: Our website has been updated to support giving on our mobile site. Simply tap the menu in the top right corner of the homepage and the Give button should appear next to the Events and Contact options.

Welcome Photo Board: To all of our visitors, new members and new friends at DPC, one of the ways we hope you will feel "welcomed...as Christ has welcomed us" (Rom.15:7) is the Welcome Board located in the Gathering Room. No pressure, of course; only if you would like this. If so, let's connect soon to snap a pic of you or your family.

Sunday Nursery & Childcare: 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)

"The Bible presents many pictures of the power of God's word. It describes it as sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating our mind and our conscience (Hebrews 4:12). Like a hammer, it can break stony hearts; like fire it can burn up rubbish (Jeremiah 23:29). It lights our path, shining like a lamp on a dark night (Psalm 119:105).

Like a mirror it shows us both what we are and what we should be (James 1:22-25). It is compared to a seed leading to birth (James 1:18), to milk causing growth (1 Peter 2:2), to grain that nourishes whereas straw does not (Jeremiah 23:28), to honey which sweetens and to gold which enriches its possessor (Psalm 19:10)."

John Stott

Session Diaconate

George Godwin	Jason Seale	James Fudge	Sam Thompson
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Service Times

9:00am Worship Service #1 (Mask-Required Service) 10:45am Worship Service #2 (Mask-Optional Service)

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