



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

Save me, O God! For the waters have come up to my neck.

Psalm 69:1

This Psalm of Lament is often used in the New Testament, in reference to Jesus...

In John 15:25, Jesus quotes Psalm 69:4 to describe himself:

"But the word that is written in their Law must be fulfilled: 'They hated me without a cause.'"

In John 1:11, Jesus is described in terms of Psalm 69:8:

"He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him."

In John 2:17, the disciples remember the words of Psalm 69:9 after witnessing the shocking thing Jesus did:

"His disciples remembered that it was written, 'Zeal for your house will consume me.'"

In John 19:29 and Matthew 27:34, the soldiers fulfilled the words of Psalm 69:21 with respect to Jesus:

"They gave me poison for food, and for my thirst they gave me sour wine to drink."

In Romans 15:3, Paul quotes Psalm 69:9b to teach us about Jesus:

"For Christ did not please himself, but as it is written, 'The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me.'"

The Lord's Day — November 1, 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

Everlasting God

Brown/Riley

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord, we will wait upon the Lord
Our God You reign forever, our hope our strong Deliv'rer
You are the everlasting God, the everlasting God
You do not faint, You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak, You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

Isaiah 55:1-3a, 6-7

Pastor: Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price!

People: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy?

Pastor: Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear that your soul may live!

People: Seek the Lord while he may be found; call upon him while he is near!

Pastor: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts;

All: Let him return to the Lord, that he may have compassion on him, and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 69

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Stand up, stand up for Jesus, ye soldiers of the cross;
lift high his royal banner, it must not suffer loss:
from vict'ry unto vict'ry his army he shall lead,
till ev'ry foe is vanquished, and Christ is Lord indeed.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the trumpet call obey;
forth to the mighty conflict in this his glorious day:
Ye that are men now serve him against unnumbered foes:
let courage rise with danger, and strength to strength oppose.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, stand in his strength alone;
the arm of flesh will fail you, ye dare not trust your own:
put on the gospel armor, each piece put on with pray'r;
where duty calls, or danger, be never wanting there.

Stand up, stand up for Jesus, the strife will not be long;
this day the noise of battle, the next the victor's song:
to him that overcometh a crown of life shall be;
he with the King of glory shall reign eternally.

Reading of the Word: *"with confidence draw near"***Hebrews 4:14-16**

Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father have mercy upon us, and hear our prayer for the sake of your name and the glory of your kingdom. We confess that we need your Spirit to teach us your ways, and to grieve over the sin inside and outside of us. Would you open our eyes and humble our hearts over the immense privilege of being called children of God. Renew us, Lord. Manifest through us the life of your Son Jesus as we look to you for peace that passes understanding, peace that guards our hearts and minds, and peace that relieves us from trouble

...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Hear the Good News!**Matthew 11:28-30**

Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Ten Thousand Times Ten Thousand

Alford/Dykes

Ten thousand times ten thousand in sparkling raiment bright,
The armies of the ransomed saints throng up the steep of light:
'Tis finished, all is finished, their fight with death and sin;
Fling open wide the golden gates, and let the victors in.

What rush of alleluias fills all the earth and sky!
What ringing of a thousand harps bespeaks the triumph nigh!
O day, for which creation and all its tribes were made;
O joy, for all its former woes a thousandfold repaid!

O then what raptured greetings, On Canaan's happy shore;
What knitting severed friendship, Up where partings are no more!
Then eyes with joy shall sparkle, That brimmed with tears of late;
Orphans no longer fatherless, Nor widows desolate.

Bring near Thy great salvation, Thou Lamb for sinners slain;
Fill up the roll of Thine elect, then take Thy power, and reign;
Appear, Desire of nations, Thine exiles long for home;
Show in the heaven Thy promised sign; Thou Prince and Savior, come.

Lift Up Thy Bleeding Hand

Alexander

When wounded sore, the stricken heart lies bleeding and unbound,
One only hand, a pierced hand, can salve the sinner's wound.
When sorrow swells the laden breast, and tears of anguish flow,
One only heart, a broken heart, can feel the sinner's woe.

*Lift up Thy bleeding hand, O Lord, Unseal that cleansing tide;
We have no shelter from our sin, But in thy wounded side.*

When penitential grief has wept o'er some foul dark spot,
One only stream, a stream of blood, can wash away the blot.
'Tis Jesus' blood that washes white, his hand that brings relief,
His heart that's touched with all our joys, and feels for all our grief.

We have no shelter from our sin, But in thy wounded side.

Through the Door

Cottrell

Through the door, through the cross, Through the Lamb slain for us, we come.
Through the One crucified, Through the Way, the Truth, the Life, we come.
And the lost say "I am found", the blind say "I can see." The weak say "I am strong," the bound say "I am free."

*And we sing "Hallelujah, this is glory, Hallelujah, this is grace, Hallelujah, this is mercy flowing down"
And we dance in the light of Your love, And we dance in the light of Your love and this is glory!*

Through the door You became, You have called and by faith we come.
Through the door, in the name, Of the One mighty to save, Lord, we come.
Death, where is your sting? The grave has lost the fight. Sin, where are your chains? The door is open wide.
Your love is deeper; Your mercy's wider; Your grace is greater than our sin. (Repeat)
This is glory, through the door, through the cross, through the Lamb slain for us, we come.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Chip Walraven

Sermon

Series: Be Strong In The Lord (Ephesians 6:10)
XXI. If You're In The Fight, You'll Need To Pray
Ephesians 6:10-20 (page 979)

Pastor Tommy Lee

We Respond

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,
For 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!

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.)

Above All

LeBlanc

Above all powers, above all kings, Above all nature and all created things;
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man, You were here before the world began.
Above all kingdoms, above all thrones, Above all wonders the world has ever known;
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth, There's no way to measure what You're worth.
*Crucified, laid behind the stone; You lived to die, rejected and alone;
Like a rose trampled on the ground, You took the fall, were glorified above all*

Benediction²

Galatians 6:18

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers [and sisters]. Amen.

Song of Faith

Now Thank We All Our God

Rinkart

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest Heaven.
The one eternal God, whom earth and Heav'n adore;
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

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

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

NextGen Lunch and Kickball Game: Join us after the 10:45 service next Sunday, November 8, for some outdoor fellowship & a kickball game for our elementary aged children & their families. Come meet Laine, our new Next Gen Coordinator. Bring a picnic lunch, and some chairs or a blanket!

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.

The Masculine Mandate: One of our sister churches in Huntsville is hosting a great one day men's seminar, for men 13 years-old and up. Saturday, November 14, 8am-1pm. There is a contingent from DPC going. For more information and to register, visit wpc-hsv.org/mens-ministry/

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.

Neighborhood Christian Center (NCC) Christmas Toy Store: This year, several changes had to be made to our Christmas Program. We are collecting wish lists from the children who would have been signed up for the Toy Store. If you would like to sponsor the child(ren) of a family, go to <https://www.decaturncc.org/Holiday-outreach.html> to complete the form online. Paper forms will be available soon.

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.

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)

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

FALL 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, 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

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James Fudge
Wade Littrell
John Lyons
Bill Nelson

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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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