



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.
I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
the Lord bestows favor and honor.
No good thing does he withhold
from those who walk uprightly.
O Lord of hosts,
blessed is the one who trusts in you!

Psalm 84

The Lord's Day — February 14, 2021 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

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Robinson, Farren, Thompson

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer, There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom, My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me
The night is dark but I am not forsaken, For by my side, the Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, For in my need, His power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me, Through the deepest valley, He will lead
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome, Yet not I, but through Christ in me
No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven, The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon, And He was raised to overthrow the grave
To this I hold, my sin has been defeated, Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh, the chains are released, I can sing: I am free! Yet not I, but through Christ in me
With every breath, I long to follow Jesus, For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me, Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
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Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship:

Psalm 33:8-11

Pastor: Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

People: For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm!

Pastor: The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples.

All: The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 84

Hymn of Praise

Psalm 84

Londonderry Air

O Lord of hosts, how lovely is your dwelling place! I cry aloud, I long for your abode;
The joys of earth have left my soul unsatisfied: My heart and flesh desire the living God.
Within your walls the sparrow finds a nesting place, That near your altars she may have her young;
How happy those who dwell within your house, O Lord, By whom your holy praises are forever sung!

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How better, far, a single day within your courts, Than thousands spent in any other way;
I'd rather wait upon the steps beside your door, Than pitch my tent where wickedness holds sway.
For like a shield the Lord defends and covers us; He gives us grace and crowns with glory too,
And nothing good withholds from those that walk aright: O Lord of hosts, how happy all who trust in you!

Reading of the Word: *the sinful nation*

Isaiah 1:1-20

The vision of Isaiah the son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear, O heavens, and give ear, O earth; for the Lord has spoken: "Children have I reared and brought up, but they have rebelled against me. The ox knows its owner, and the donkey its master's crib, but Israel does not know, my people do not understand." Ah, sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity, offspring of evildoers, children who deal corruptly! They have forsaken the Lord, they have despised the Holy One of Israel, they are utterly estranged. Why will you still be struck down? Why will you continue to rebel? The whole head is sick, and the whole heart faint. From the sole of the foot even to the head, there is no soundness in it, but bruises and sores and raw wounds; they are not pressed out or bound up or softened with oil. Your country lies desolate; your cities are burned with fire; in your very presence foreigners devour your land; it is desolate, as overthrown by foreigners. And the daughter of Zion is left like a booth in a vineyard, like a lodge in a cucumber field, like a besieged city. If the Lord of hosts had not left us a few survivors, we should have been like Sodom, and become like Gomorrah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Give ear to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! "What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices?" says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of well-fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. "When you come to appear before me, who has required of you this trampling of my courts? Bring no more vain offerings; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and Sabbath and the calling of convocations—I cannot endure iniquity and solemn assembly. Your new moons and your appointed feasts my soul hates; they have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. When you spread out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your deeds from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, correct oppression; bring justice to the fatherless; plead the widow's cause. "Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be eaten by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

From Psalm 130

Our Father, we confess that we often believe and act like we are greater than you. We look to ourselves to provide the things we need. We take shortcuts, and form alliances with sin to achieve our goals, because secretly we believe we are owed blessing. Our arrogance is most seen in what little daily thanks we offer to you. O Lord, forgive our evil ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!

Hear the Good News!

Jeremiah 33:8

I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

O Church, Arise

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O Church, arise, and put your armor on; hear the call of Christ our Captain.
For now the weak can say that they are strong in the strength that God has given.
With shield of faith and belt of truth, we'll stand against the devil's lies;
An army bold, whose battle cry is love, reaching out to those in darkness.
Our call to war, to love the captive soul, but to rage against the captor;
And with the sword that makes the wounded whole, we will fight with faith and valor.
When faced with trials on every side, we know the outcome is secure,
And Christ will have the prize for which He died, an inheritance of nations.
Arise, shine for your light has come. Arise, shine for the Risen Son
Lift your eyes, we are His radiant bride. Arise, o church arise!
Come see the cross, where love and mercy meet, as the Son of God is stricken;
Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, for the Conquerer has risen!
And as the stone is rolled away and Christ emerges from the grave,
This victory march continues till the day every eye and heart shall see Him.
So Spirit come, put strength in every stride, give grace for every hurdle,
That we may run with faith to win the prize of a servant good and faithful.
As saints of old still line the way, retelling triumphs of His grace,
We hear their calls and hunger for the day when with Christ we stand in glory.

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Boswell/Papa/Bleecker

Come behold the wondrous mystery, In the dawning of the King;
He the theme of heaven's praises, Robed in frail humanity.
In our longing, in our darkness, Now the Light of Life has come;
Look to Christ, who condescended, Took on flesh to ransom us
Come behold the wondrous mystery, Christ the Lord upon the tree;
In the stead of ruined sinners, Hangs the Lamb in victory.
See the price of our redemption, See the Father's plan unfold;
Bringing many sons to glory, Grace unmeasured, love untold
Come behold the wondrous mystery, Slain by death the God of life;
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, Praise the Lord; He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliverance, How unwavering our hope;
Christ in power resurrected, As we will be when He comes
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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
You're rich in love, and You're slow to anger, Your name is great, and Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness I will keep on singing, Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find
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

...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Sermon

Series: Communing With God

Pastor Tommy Lee

V. The Four Course Feast At God's Table

Isaiah 55:1-13 (page 615)

We Respond

Break Thou the Bread of Life

Lathbury

Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me, As thou didst break the loaves beside the sea;
Throughout the sacred page I seek thee, Lord, My spirit pants for thee, O living Word.

Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me, As thou didst bless the bread by Galilee;
Then shall all bondage cease, all fetters fall; And I shall find my peace, my All in all.

Thou art the Bread of Life, O Lord, to me, Thy holy Word the truth that saveth me;
Give me to eat and live with thee above; Teach me to love thy truth, for thou art love.

O send thy Spirit, Lord, now unto me, That he may touch mine eyes, and make me see:
Show me the truth concealed within thy Word, And in thy Book revealed I see the Lord.

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.)

Who is This, So Weak and Helpless

Who is this so weak and helpless, child of lowly Hebrew maid;
Rudely in a stable shelter, coldly in a manger laid?
'Tis the Lord of all creation, who this wondrous path has trod;
He is Lord from everlasting and to everlasting God.

Who is this, a Man of Sorrows, walking sadly life's hard way,
Homeless, weary, sighing, weeping, over sin and Satan's sway?
'Tis our God, our glorious Savior, who above the starry sky,
Is for us a place preparing, where no tear can dim the eye.

Who is this? Behold him shedding drops of blood upon the ground.
Who is this, despised, rejected, mocked, insulted, beaten, bound?
'Tis our God, who gifts and graces on His church is pouring down;
Who shall smite in holy vengeance all his foes beneath His throne.

Who is this that hangs there dying while the rude world scoffs and scorns,
Numbered with the malefactors, torn with nails, and crowned with thorns?
'Tis our God who lives forever mid the shining ones on high,
In the glorious golden city, reigning everlastingly.

Benediction²

from 2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Song of Faith

Behold Our God

Baird/Altrogge

Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him.
Behold our King, nothing can compare, come, let us adore Him!

This Week

Tuesday 6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Java Jaay (<i>Hebrews</i>)	Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm DPC Youth! (6 th -8 th Grade) DPC Youth! (9 th -12 th Grade)
Tuesday 9:30-11:00am Ladies Bible Study via Zoom (<i>Psalms</i>)	Wednesday 7:30pm Praise Worship Band Practice
Tuesday @ Noon Men's Bible Study @ Kent's Office (<i>1 Samuel</i>) (<i>resumes soon</i>)	Friday 6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Temple, Inc. (<i>Paul's Letters to the Thessalonians</i>)
Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm 4 Year Olds - 5 th grade / Kid's Quest	

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.

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Church Family Reminders

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 Philippians, Leviticus, Hebrews, and Ezra/Nehemiah. Sign up today by emailing Tonya at tonya@decaturpca.org

Women's Bible Study: Please join us for Women's Bible Study, via Zoom, on Tuesday mornings, 10:00-11:00, led by Teresa Quinn & Annah Joseph. The group is studying *Psalms: At His Feet Studies*. Please email Annah at annahmjoseph@gmail.com to sign up! All ladies feel free to join anytime, we will be studying a new Psalm each week.

NextGen Wednesday Nights: Children ages 4-11 are invited to join us on Wednesday nights, 6:15-7:30pm. We are not providing a meal, and masks are encouraged. Teachers, paid workers and volunteers are required to wear masks. Nursery is available.

Wednesday Night Open Door Study: *"The Person of Jesus: A Study of Love"*, led by Pastor Rick Stark, for adults not in a Life Group and/or all hanging around until the children or youth finish. Masks required (for now) and safe distancing. Join us in the gathering area Wednesday evenings, 6:15p.m. - 7:15p.m.

**To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest;
to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory;
to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come—**

**this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name
of the Lord Jesus Christ.**