



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

So Jesus' kingship is not something that remains in the future. Christ is King right this minute. He is in the seat of the highest cosmic authority. All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to God's anointed Son.

R. C. Sproul

This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, until I make your enemies your footstool.'"

Acts 2:32-35

The Lord's Day — January 9, 2022

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

Song of Assembly¹

On Jordan's Stormy Banks

Traditional

On Jordan's stormy banks I stand and cast a wishful eye,
To Canaan's fair and happy land where my possessions lie.

All o'er those wide extended plains shines one eternal day;
There God, the Son forever reigns and scatters night away.

I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.

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No chilling winds nor pois'nous breath can reach that healthful shore,
And sickness, sorrow, pain, and death are felt and feared no more.

When shall I reach that happy place and be forever blest?

When shall I see my Savior's face and in His bosom rest?

Welcome and Announcements

Report of the Living Church

Pastor Search Committee

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalms 130:5-6

Pastor: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope.

People: My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 130

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Hymn of Praise

From Depths of Woe I Raise To Thee

Luther (Psalm 130)

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation;
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication;
If Thou iniquities dost mark, our secret sins and misdeeds dark:
O who shall stand before Thee? O who shall stand before Thee?
To wash away the crimson stain, grace, grace alone availeth;
Our works alas! are all in vain; in much the best life faileth:
No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might,
And live alone by mercy. And live alone by mercy.

Therefore my trust is in the Lord, and not in mine own merit;
On Him my soul shall rest, His Word upholds my fainting spirit:
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort, and my sweet support:
I wait for it with patience. I wait for it with patience.

Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more aboundeth;
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need it soundeth.
Our Shepherd good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free
From all our sin and sorrow. From all our sin and sorrow.

Reading of the Word: *The Great Commission*

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Adapted from the *Book of Common Prayer*

Most merciful God, 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 our whole heart. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name
...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

The Gospel Pardon

Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Praise God

Ken/Watts/Kauflin

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
In Heaven above and earth below.
Praise God the Father and the Son,
Praise God the Spirit, three-in-one.
From all that dwell beneath the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise.
Let our Redeemer's name be sung,
Through every land, by every tongue.
Eternal are Your mercies Lord,
Eternal truth attends Your Word.
Your praise will sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

*In every land, by every tongue,
Let our Redeemer's name be sung.*

We Will Feast In The House Of Zion

McCracken/Moore

We will not be burned by the fire, He is the Lord, our God
We are not consumed by the flood, upheld, protected, gathered up
*We will feast in the house of Zion, we will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together, we will feast and weep no more*
In the dark of night, before the dawn, my soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh, how long? Oh, God of Jacob, be my strength
Every vow we've broken and betrayed, You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave, bind us together, bring shalom

He Knows My Name

Walker

I have a Maker, He formed my heart
Before even time began, My life was in His hands
*He knows my name, He knows my every thought
He sees each tear that falls, And hears me when I call*
I have a Father, He calls me His own
He'll never leave me, No matter where I go

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Jason Seale

...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

Rev. Jeph Guinan

King of the Nations

Psalm 2 (page 448)

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 signal the pastor to let him know. In each tray of drink, the clear communion cups contain juice and the purple contain wine. Please hold the elements until all have been served so that we may partake together.)

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.

Benediction²
May the beloved of the Lord dwell in safety. May the Most High God surround you all day long, and dwell between your shoulders.

Deuteronomy 33:12

Song of Faith

We Are the Body of Christ
One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise You, we are the body of Christ.
One goal, one vision, to see You exalted, we are the body of Christ.
And to this we give our lives, to see You glorified.

One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise You,
We are the body of Christ. We are the body of Christ.

This Week

Monday 6:30pm Women's Bible Study @ Nelson home (<i>Luke</i>)	Wednesday 6:00-7:30pm DPC Youth! (6 th -12 th Grade)
Tuesday 6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Java Jaay (<i>Hebrews</i>)	Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm Worship Choir Practice
Tuesday 10:00-11:30am Women's Bible Study @ DPC (<i>Luke</i>)	Wednesday 6:15-7:15pm Open Door Study (<i>Galatians</i>)
Tuesday @ Noon Men's Bible Study @ Kent's Office (<i>1 Samuel</i>)	Wednesday 6:15-7:30pm Life Groups
Wednesday 1:00pm (2 nd & 4 th Wednesday) Singled Out for Christ	Wednesday 6:30-7:30pm 4 Year Olds - 5 th Grade / Kid's Quest
Wednesday 5:00pm Youth Choir / Soli Deo Gloria	Wednesday 7:30pm Praise Worship Band Practice
Wednesday 5:30pm Church Family Meal	Thursday 6:00pm College Student Study @ White's home (<i>Truths We Confess</i>)
Wednesday 6:00-6:30pm Kids Choirs: 4 Year Old - 2 nd Grade / Kids of the King 3 rd Grade - 5 th Grade / Dare 2 Declare	Friday 6:30am Men's Bible Study @ Temple, Inc. (<i>1 Peter</i>)

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

Jeph Guinan is married to Heidi and they have five children. After graduating from Birmingham Theological Seminary (2012), the Lord called Jeph as a bivocational church planter to start a church in Calera, AL, where he planted and pastored until being called as the director of the Alabama Church Planting Network in late 2018. He and his family currently live in Alabaster, AL.

Upcoming Guest Preachers: Rev. Jeph Guinan (1/9); Chuck Frost (1/16); Pastor Rick Stark (1/23); Gary Johnson (1/30)

Pastor Search Committee Prayer Guide: *Prayer is not about conquering God's reluctance but taking hold of God's willingness.* Let's all make our plan to enter into the willingness of God in the discovery of our next Senior Pastor! Check out the new weekly prayer guide (insert in today's worship guide, stacks placed around the church, and DPC website).

Table Bridal Shower: There is a Table Bridal Shower for Allie Greenhaw (daughter of Brian & Julie Rodgers) today, Sunday, January 9 immediately after worship service. There is a table in the gathering room for you to leave your gifts as they prepare for marriage. Allie is registered at Target, Etsy, and Anthropologie.

Wednesday Mid-Week Ministry: resumes this Wednesday, January 12th. A church family meal is served from 5:30pm – 6:15pm (\$5.00/person or \$20/per family). Children's choir and Youth begin at 6:00pm; NextGen, Open Door Study and Life Groups are at 6:30pm – 7:30pm.

Youth Midweek Studies: Starting this Wednesday at 6:30pm, the high schoolers will study the Minor Prophets (Nathan White) and the middle schoolers will study 1 Samuel (Jeff Keith). Come early! Fellowship & announcements from 6:00 - 6:20pm!

Midweek College Study: Starting this Thursday at 6:00pm at Chris & Laine Oliver's house (2309 Greenwood Dr. SE). Dinner is provided. We will be going through R.C. Sproul's Truths We Confess (Nathan White). For more information, you can email Nathan at nathan@decaturpca.org, (256) 280-7912.

DPC Women's Ministry: Save the date for our FREEDOM IN CHRIST WOMENS RETREAT at Smith Lake with Guest Speaker Julie Sparkman. February 4th & 5th, 2022. All women ages 21 & up are invited. Cost is \$35 per person which includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast, Saturday lunch, guest speaker, and an overnight stay. Please RSVP by January 23, 2022 to reserve your spot. Forms are located on the foyer table. More details coming soon!

Women's Ministry Home Missions Service Night: Join us Sunday, January 23 @5:30pm to make goodie baskets for Sav-A-Life, and casseroles for RUF UAH, Young Life, and Young Lives. All supplies, as well as snacks, will be provided. Questions? Contact Carol Godwin, carolg@pclnet.net or 256-227-5614.

Great News! We are finally able to go back to the DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, May 31-June 7, 2022. Check the DPC website, "short term mission trips" under the Ministry tab for full information. First come first serve, limit ~25. Questions? Contact Carol Godwin, carolg@pclnet.net or 256.227.5614.

Volunteers Needed! "*Saved to serve!*" (Rom.12:3-8 & Eph.2:10) Let's find your place in 2022 to plug in and serve: Nursery, NextGen, Intl. Missions Committee, Domestic Missions Committee, Choir, Mid-Week Meal set-up, Sunday morning greeters, and the list continues... For more information, contact Rick Stark (rick@decaturpca.org) or Nathan White (nathan@decaturpca.org) or your Shepherding Elder or Bill Nelson - Deacons Chairman (billknelson@gmail.com).

Sermon Outline Notes: for adults and children are available on the back table.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

WINTER 2021

9:30 am

Zechariah: Come join us as we study the book of Zechariah, in the classroom across the hall from the church offices. The book of Zechariah addresses God's people who are discouraged and in need of renewal. In doing so, it provides a captivating vision of God and his work in the world, leading us into a deeper longing for God and the coming of his kingdom, which finds its realization in Christ. Please join us in this study.

Sedona Class: A study of 1 Peter: A Living Hope Amidst Life's Great Challenges. Using material written by Dr. Frank Barker, we will unwrap practical ways Peter's message can guide us through our dilemmas and day-to-day living. The class meets in the classroom down the back hallway from the sanctuary, across from the choir room. Guests are always welcome!

Youth Sunday School: Youth Sunday School: One of the key things we want our students to know before they graduate is how to study Scripture for themselves well. This semester, our high school and middle students will be learning how to study the Bible for themselves beginning with the assumptions they have about why and how we study the Bible and going all the way through to how to faithfully examine texts from Scripture's different genres and authors, all with the goal of understanding the divine author who reveals himself to us in it.

Session

Jeff Keith	Jason Seale
Mike McMahan	Greg Smith
Kent Quinn	Jay Suggs
Brian Rodgers	Blake Temple
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Service Times

9:30am	Sunday School
10:45am	Worship

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