



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

You need not be so much afraid of that which grieves you as of that which charms you.

C.H. Spurgeon (1834-1892)

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and
with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.

Jesus, Luke 10:27

The Lord's Day — February 13, 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

Here I am to Worship

Hughes

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness, Opened my eyes, let me see.

Beauty that made this heart adore You, Hope of a life spent with You.

Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down, Here I am to say that You're my God.

You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy, Altogether wonderful to me.

King of all days, oh so highly exalted. Glorious in heaven above.

Humbly you came to the earth You created. All for love's sake became poor.

I'll never know how much it cost, To see my sin upon that cross.

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 135:1-3

Pastor: Praise the Lord! Praise the name of the Lord, give praise, O servants of the Lord,

People: Who stand in the house of the Lord, in the courts of the house of our God!

Pastor: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good; sing to his name, for it is pleasant!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 135

Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Lord the Almighty

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!

O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!

All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near, Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,

Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!

Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been, granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!

All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!

Let the amen sound from His people again; Gladly fore'er we adore Him.

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Reading of the Word: *I will not leave you or forsake you*

Joshua 1:1-9

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord said to Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, "Moses my servant is dead. Now therefore arise, go over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the people of Israel. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, just as I promised to Moses. From the wilderness and this Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites to the Great Sea toward the going down of the sun shall be your territory. No man shall be able to stand before you all the days of your life. Just as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. I will not leave you or forsake you. Be strong and courageous, for you shall cause this people to inherit the land that I swore to their fathers to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to do according to all the law that Moses my servant commanded you. Do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, that you may have good success wherever you go. This Book of the Law shall not depart from your mouth, but you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to do according to all that is written in it. For then you will make your way prosperous, and then you will have good success. Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

O most merciful God, because you have sent your Son down the road of suffering and to die for me, have mercy on me for his sake, and grant me forgiveness for all my sins. By your Holy Spirit increase in me true knowledge of you and of your will and true obedience to your Word, so that by your grace I may endure to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!

The Gospel Pardon

Romans 5:1

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Lead On, O King Eternal

Shurtleff

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; Henceforth in fields of conquest, thy tents shall be our home.
Through days of preparation, thy grace has made us strong; And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper, the sweet amen of peace.

For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums;

With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes.

So lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on.

Lead on, O King eternal, we follow, not with fears, For gladness breaks like morning where'er thy face appears.
Thy cross is lifted o'er us, we journey in its light; The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might.

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Robinson

Come, Thou fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise His name, I'm fixed upon it, name of Thy redeeming love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come.
And I hope by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger, bought me with His precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be!
Let thy goodness, like a fetter, bind my wandering heart to Thee:
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love,
Here's my heart, O take and seal it; seal it for Thy courts above.

Compassion Hymn

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There is an everlasting kindness You lavished on us
When the Radiance of heaven came to rescue the lost;
You called the sheep without a shepherd to leave their distress
For Your streams of forgiveness and the shade of Your rest.
And with compassion for the hurting, You reached out Your hand
As the lame ran to meet You and the dead breathed again;
You saw behind the eyes of sorrow and shared in our tears,
Heard the sign of the weary, let the children draw near.

*What boundless love, what fathomless grace, You have shown us, O God of compassion!
Each day we live, an offering of praise, As we show to the world Your compassion.*

We stood beneath the cross of Calvary and gazed on Your face,
At the thorns of oppression and the wounds of disgrace;
For surely You have borne our suffering and carried our grief
As You pardoned the scoffer and showed grace to the thief.

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.

Singing to the Lord

Good, Good Father

**Soli Deo Gloria &
Dare 2 Declare**

Jesus Sets His Face to Jerusalem
Luke 9:51-62 (page 868)

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Alice Mae White
Covenant Child of Nathan & Rachael White

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 Alice

Elder Mike McMahan

Confessing Our Faith: The Apostles' Creed²

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.

² 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 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.)

Untitled Hymn (Come to Jesus)

Rice

Weak and wounded sinner, lost and left to die; O raise your head, for Love is passing by.
Come to Jesus, come to Jesus, come to Jesus and live!

Now your burden's lifted and carried far away; And precious blood has washed away the stain.
So sing to Jesus, sing to Jesus, sing to Jesus and live!

Like a newborn baby, don't be afraid to crawl; Remember when you walk, sometimes we fall.
So fall on Jesus, fall on Jesus, fall on Jesus and live!

Sometimes the way is lonely, and steep and filled with pain; So if your sky is dark and pours the rain,
Then cry to Jesus, cry to Jesus, cry to Jesus and live!

And when the love spills over, and music fills the night, And when you can't contain your joy inside;
Then dance for Jesus, dance for Jesus, dance for Jesus and live!

And with your final heartbeat kiss the world goodbye; Then go in peace, and laugh on Glory's side.
And fly to Jesus, fly to Jesus, fly to Jesus and live! (Repeat)

Benediction³

1 Corinthians 16:23

The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you now and forevermore. Amen.

Song of Faith

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty

Fitts

Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,
Who was, and is, and is to come.
Blessed be the Lord God Almighty,
Who reigns forevermore.

³ 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

John Summers lives in Huntsville with his wife, Michaiah, and their two children. He is a member of Cornerstone Presbyterian Church and provides pulpit supply throughout Providence Presbytery.

Upcoming Guest Preachers: Nathan White (2/20); Jeph Guinan (2/27); Nathan White (3/6); Henry Morris (3/13); Adam Venable (3/20); Amos Williams, Jr. (3/27).

Youth Super Bowl Party: The youth ministry will have our annual Super Bowl party today, Sunday, February 13th, at 5:30! Contact Nathan with any questions. We hope to see you there!

*****NEW DATE*** Women's Ministry Home Missions Service Night:** Join us Sunday, February 27 @5:30pm to make goodie baskets for Sav-A-Life, and casseroles for RUF UAH, RUF Alabama A&M, 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.

Bridal Shower: Join us for a bridal shower for Abigail Blankenship (fiancée to Rian Silvestri) Sunday, March 6 at 2 pm at Carol Godwin's home (1610 Brookmeade Road SE). The couple is registered at TheKnot.com, <https://www.theknot.com/us/abigail-blankenship-and-rian-silvestri-mar-2022/registry>

"Freedom in Christ" Women's Retreat: The Retreat at Smith Lake has been rescheduled for April 8-9. Our guest speaker is Julie Sparkman. All women ages 21 & up are invited. Cost is \$35 per person which includes Friday dinner, Saturday breakfast & lunch, and an overnight stay. RSVP using forms located on the foyer table. For more information, contact Tara Thompson (taraathompson10@gmail.com, 256.762.7711).

DPC Short-Term Mission Trip: We are going back... FINALLY... and you are invited to our mission in 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.

VBS: will be June 13th-16th from 5:15-8:00. Anyone interested in volunteering, please contact Kristin Ladner at (256)345-9331 or kristinladner@gmail.com. More info to come.

"Saved to Serve!" Really! (Rom.12:3-8; Eph.2:10) If not now, when? Find your place to plug in and serve in 2022: Nursery, NextGen, Missions, Choir, Kitchen, Greeters, Mercy, and the list continues... For more information, contact Rick Stark (rick@decaturpca.org) or Nathan White (nathan@decaturpca.org).

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: 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

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Kent Quinn
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Connor Ross

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Service Times

9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship

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