



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

My Heart

I have a heart that hurts each day, some people seem so sad;
They wonder why I must endure, and feel I should be mad.

But God knows what is best for me, in my mind is no pining;
The joy I feel from day to day, gives absence of all whining.

With God what is to worry? Now I can't tell you why;
But I feel oh so happy, no cause for you to cry

David Samuel Adams, 1999

(David was a father to many at DPC. He went to be with the Lord on December 11, 2015.)

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving
let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Apostle Paul, Philippians 4:6-7

The Lord's Day — May 15, 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

Behold Him

Baloche

He who was before there was light, walked across the pages of time,
He who made every living thing, behold Him.

He who heard humanity's cry, left His throne to wake as a child,
He became like the least of us, behold Him.

Jesus, Son of God, Messiah, The Lamb, the roaring Lion, oh, be still and behold Him.

He who dined with sinners and saints, healed the blind, the lost and the lame,
even now He is in our midst, behold Him.

He who chose a criminal's end, paid with blood to settle our debt,
buried death as He rose to life, behold Him.

Jesus, Son of God, Messiah, The Lamb, the roaring Lion, oh, be still and behold Him.

Jesus, Alpha and Omega, Our God, the Risen Savior, oh, be still and behold Him.

Holy, holy, holy Is the Lord God Almighty;
Worthy, worthy, worthy to receive all praise.

Welcome and Announcements

Report of the Living Church

John Henderson, The Gideons

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 148:13-14

Pastor: Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted; his majesty is above earth and heaven.

People: He has raised up a horn for his people, praise for all his saints, for the people of Israel who are near to him.

All: Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

based on Psalm 148

Hymn of Praise

All Creatures of Our God and King

Francis of Assisi

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam,

O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along, O praise Him, alleluia!

Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice,

O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness, O praise Him, alleluia!

Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One,

O praise Him, O praise Him, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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Reading of the Word: *The 10 Commandments*

Deuteronomy 5:1-22

And Moses summoned all Israel and said to them, "Hear, O Israel, the statutes and the rules that I speak in your hearing today, and you shall learn them and be careful to do them. The Lord our God made a covenant with us in Horeb. Not with our fathers did the Lord make this covenant, but with us, who are all of us here alive today. The Lord spoke with you face to face at the mountain, out of the midst of the fire, while I stood between the Lord and you at that time, to declare to you the word of the Lord. For you were afraid because of the fire, and you did not go up into the mountain. He said: "I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery. "You shall have no other gods before me. "You shall not make for yourself a carved image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is on the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. You shall not bow down to them or serve them; for I the Lord your God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers on the children to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing steadfast love to thousands of those who love me and keep my commandments. "You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes his name in vain. "Observe the Sabbath day, to keep it holy, as the Lord your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, you or your son or your daughter or your male servant or your female servant, or your ox or your donkey or any of your livestock, or the sojourner who is within your gates, that your male servant and your female servant may rest as well as you. You shall remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the Lord your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm. Therefore the Lord your God commanded you to keep the Sabbath day. "Honor your father and your mother, as the Lord your God commanded you, that your days may be long, and that it may go well with you in the land that the Lord your God is giving you. "You shall not murder. "And you shall not commit adultery. "And you shall not steal. "And you shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. "And you shall not covet your neighbor's wife. And you shall not desire your neighbor's house, his field, or his male servant, or his female servant, his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbor's.' "These words the Lord spoke to all your assembly at the mountain out of the midst of the fire, the cloud, and the thick darkness, with a loud voice; and he added no more. And he wrote them on two tablets of stone and gave them to me.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

O Father, we tremble in fear because of the revelation of Your majestic holiness, all which we have casually trampled upon. Have mercy, God. We confess how, in thought, word, and deed, we have done what we ought not to have done, and we have not done what we ought to do. *"Wretched man that I am!"* Have mercy, O God. *"Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God through Jesus Christ our Lord!"* Thank You, Father and Son and Holy Spirit, for the forgiveness of sins and the change of heart, and the power to go and sin no more ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!

The Gospel Pardon

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Whom Shall I Fear (Angel Armies)

Cash, Cash & Tomlin

You hear me when I call, You are my morning song
Though darkness fills the night, it cannot hide the Light, Whom shall I fear

You crush the enemy underneath my feet
You are my Sword and Shield though troubles linger still, Whom shall I fear

Chorus

*I know who goes before me, I know who stands behind,
The God of angel armies is always by my side
The one who reigns forever, He is a Friend of mine,
The God of angel armies is always by my side*

My strength is in Your Name for You alone can save
You will deliver me, Yours is the victory, Whom shall I fear, Whom shall I fear

Bridge

*And nothing formed against me shall stand, You hold the whole world in Your hand,
I'm holding on to Your promises
You are faithful, You are Faithful, You are Faithful
The God of angel armies is always by my side*

Jesus, Only Jesus

Tomlin

Who has the power to raise the dead, Who can save us from our sin?
He is our hope, our righteousness. Jesus, only Jesus.

Who can make the blind to see, Who holds the keys that set us free?
He paid it all to bring us peace. Jesus, only Jesus.

Holy, King Almighty, Lord. Saints and angels all adore. I join with them and bow before, Jesus, only Jesus.

Who can command the highest praise, Who has the name above all names?
You stand alone, I stand amazed. Jesus, only Jesus.

*You will command the highest praise, Yours is the name above all names.
You stand alone, I stand amazed. Jesus, only Jesus. Jesus, only Jesus.*

I Am Not Alone

When I walk through deep waters, I know that You will be with me
When I'm standing in the fire, I will not be overcome
Through the valley of the shadow, I will not fear

*I am not alone, I am not alone, You will go before me
You will never leave me (2x)*

In the midst of deep sorrow, I see Your light is breaking through
The dark of night will not overtake me, I am pressing into You
Lord, You fight my every battle, and I will not fear

You amaze me, Redeem me, You call me as Your own
You're my strength, You're my defender
You're my refuge in the storm, through these trials
You've always been faithful, You bring healing to my soul.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Connor Ross

His Tithes & Our Offerings

Sermon

**Series: The Implications of the Resurrection
III. Risen Over... Emptiness
Colossians 1:9-12 (page 983)**

Pastor Rick Stark

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.

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.)

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.

Holy Spirit

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Holy Spirit, living Breath of God, breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord to renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me; give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for Your purity. Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within; may Your joy be seen in all I do-
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin in each thought and deed and attitude,
Kindness to the greatest and the least, gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace. Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth, giving life to all that God has made,
Show your power once again on earth; cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise. Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

Benediction³

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

Song of Faith

By Faith

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We will stand as children of the promise
We will fix our eyes on Him, our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done
We'll walk by faith and not by sight
We'll walk by faith and not by sight

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

Mike and Melissa McMahan cordially invite you to attend a brief graduation ceremony and cake reception for Amelia at 3 pm today (May 15) at DPC.

Upcoming Guest Preachers: Nathan White (5/22), Rick Stark (5/29)

Wednesday Mid-Week Ministry: As it is our custom, our Wednesday church family meal and all the various ministries (NextGen, LifeGroups, ODS, Choir, etc.) will take a break during the summer months beginning May 4th and resuming in the Fall.

DPC Short-Term Mission Trip: We are going back... FINALLY... and you are invited to support and pray for 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. Questions? Contact Carol Godwin, carolg@pclnet.net or 256.227.5614.

RYM Summer Conferences! Middle school conference is June 27-July 1, cost is \$415. High school conference is July 11-16, cost is \$440. Non-refundable \$100 deposits for all students, to save your spots, are due **NOW**. Balances will be due on June 5. Scholarships are available. Please see Nathan with any questions. Registration flyers have been mailed out and are available in the youth room.

Young Life Grand Opening! Come 'drop in' on the party - May 20 @ 5:00pm! (3rd Friday event) It's the Grand Opening of the new Young Life-Morgan County building and grounds. There will be ribbon cutting, food & drink, games, and live music. 425 Moulton St., Decatur. RSVP @ connorross22@gmail.com

Coming Soon: The Ezra Worship Initiative! May 23rd our Ezra Initiative Interns will arrive to begin what we pray is 10- week, a life-changing experience! The Ezra mission is to develop musically-gifted individuals into bi-vocational worship music leaders equipped and called to serve the church, and in particular the PCA. In partnership with Birmingham Theological Seminary, we will be teaching them, mentoring and training them, in the Theology of Public Worship, Musicianship, Sound & Technology, and Principles of Leadership. Let's get ready to welcome them to DPC!

Table Bridal Shower: Sunday, June 12 for Tel Schieler and Jordan (Jo) Moore. There will be a table in the gathering room for you to leave your gifts as they prepare for marriage. They are registered at zola.com/wedding/jordanandtel/.

VBS: Registration for Vacation Bible School is now open! Join us June 13th-16th from 5:15-8pm as we travel through the Solar System to learn about how God saves. Please fill out the link below to register your 4 years-5th grade children. There will be a \$15 registration fee due by the beginning of VBS. <https://forms.gle/hkU6vsbL4kbEyCv9A> Please contact Kristin Ladner if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering. kristinladner@gmail.com or (256) 345-9331

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

SPRING 2022

9:30 am

Presbyterianism: Who We Are and How We Got Here: Come join us as we study Presbyterianism, in the classroom across the hall from the church offices. Topics include Revelation and Scripture, Overview of Reformed Theology, Covenant Theology, God (Theology) and Man (Anthropology), Christ (Christology), Salvation (Soteriology), Church (Ecclesiology), Practical Theology, Church Policy and the PCA, and Elders and Deacons. 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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Brian Rodgers
Connor Ross

Allen Schmidt
Greg Smith
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Service Times

9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship

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