

For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. 2 Corinthians 4:5

"After digging a thousand wells of my own and stumbling upon a thousand others dug by the hands of thirsty men, I have yet to realize that the only well that can satiate every thirst is the one that man will never dig."

Craig D. Lounsbrough

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied."

Matthew 5:6

# The Lord's Day — October 16, 2022

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

Song of Assembly <sup>1</sup>	Christ Is Risen, He Is Risen Indeed	Getty
	How can it be, the One who died, has borne our sin through sacrifice	
	To conquer every sting of death? Sing, sing hallelujah.	
	For joy awakes as dawning light, when Christ's disciples lift their eyes. Alive He stands, their Friend and King; Christ, Christ He is risen.	
	Christ is risen, He is risen indeed! Oh, sing hallelujah. Join the chorus, sing with the redeemed; Christ is risen, He is risen indeed.	
When	e doubt and darkness once had been, they saw Him and their hearts believed. But blessed are those who have not seen, yet, sing hallelujah.	
Once	bound by fear now bold in faith, they preached the truth and power of grace. And pouring out their lives they gained, life, life everlasting.	
The	e power that raised Him from the grave, now works in us to powerfully save. He frees our hearts to live His grace; go tell of His goodness.	
He's alive, H	le's alive! Heaven's gates are opened wide. He's alive, He's alive! Now in heaven glorified.	

Welcome and Announcements

**Report of the Living Church** 

Mary Chism, Operation Christmas Child

**Responsive Call to Worship** 

Pastor: How precious is your steadfast love, O God!

People: The children of mankind take refuge in the shadow of your wings. They feast on the abundance of your house, and you give them drink from the river of your delights.

Pastor: For with you is the fountain of life; in your light do we see light.

People: Oh, continue your steadfast love to those who know you, and your righteousness to the upright in heart!

## Prayer of Adoration & Praise

Psalm 36:7-10

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## **Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken**

Glorious things of thee are spoken, Zion, city of our God; He whose word cannot be broken, formed thee for His own abode On the Rock of Ages founded, what can shake thy sure repose? With salvation's walls surrounded, Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.

See the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love Well supply Thy sons and daughters, and all fear of want remove Who can faint while such a river, ever flows their thirst t'assuage? Grace which like the Lord the giver, never fails from age to age.

Savior if of Zion's city, I, through grace, a member am Let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy Name Fading is the worldling's pleasure, all his boasted pomp and show Solid joys and lasting treasure, none but Zion's children know.

## Reading of the Word: The Danger of Forsaking the Lord

Thus says the Lord: "What wrong did your fathers find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthlessness, and became worthless? They did not say, 'Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that none passes through, where no man dwells?' And I brought you into a plentiful land to enjoy its fruits and its good things. But when you came in, you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who handle the law did not know me; the shepherds transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal and went after things that do not profit. "Therefore I still contend with you, declares the Lord, and with your children's children I will contend. For cross to the coasts of Cyprus and see, or send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for that which does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this; be shocked, be utterly desolate, declares the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living waters, and hewed out cisterns for themselves, broken cisterns that can hold no water. "Is Israel a slave? Is he a homeborn servant? Why then has he become a prey? The lions have roared against him; they have roared loudly. They have made his land a waste; his cities are in ruins, without inhabitant. Moreover, the men of Memphis and Tahpanhes have shaved the crown of your head. Have you not brought this upon yourself by forsaking the Lord your God, when he led you in the way? And now what do you gain by going to Egypt to drink the waters of the Nile? Or what do you gain by going to Assyria to drink the waters of the Euphrates? Your evil will chastise you, and your apostasy will reprove you. Know and see that it is evil and bitter for you to forsake the Lord your God; the fear of me is not in you, declares the Lord God of hosts.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

#### Jeremiah 2:5-19

## **Confession of Sin**

Almighty God, we stand broken before You and our neighbors, confessing how we have perverted Your holy will and designs for our lives, even attempting to quench our thirsty souls at broken cisterns that hold no water. Thus, we are rightly parched and lack peace with You and others. Have mercy upon us, O God; cleanse us, forgive us and fill us that we might walk most freely in the righteousness and peace of Christ, doing those things which are pleasing in Your sight ....Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

### Assurance of Forgiveness

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

## Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

#### The Roar

#### Tomlin

Francis

Isaiah 55:1-3

I waited for the Lord, He turned and heard my cry His mercy opened up my eyes, when I couldn't see and my strength was failing me

I heard the roar of the Lion of Judah, I heard the voice that calms the raging sea, He came to me, came to me When I needed the Lord, I heard the roar of the Lion of Judah.

I waited for the Lord, He appeared in blinding light He led me through the darkest night, when I couldn't see and my strength was failing me

I lifted my hands, He lifted me out, All praise to the Savior, all worship to God With all that I am, with all of my heart, All praise to the Savior, all worship to God You came to me, came to me, when I needed You, Lord I heard the roar of the Lion of Judah, I heard the roar of the Lion of Judah

## O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Vast, unmeasured, boundless, free; Rolling as a mighty ocean in its fullness over me. Underneath me, all around me, is the current of Your love; Leading onward, leading homeward, to Your glorious rest above.

Oh the deep, deep love, all I need and trust, Is the deep, deep love of Jesus.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Spread His praise from shore to shore; How He came to pay our ransom, through the saving cross He bore; How He watches o'er His loved ones, those He died to make His own; How for them He's interceding, pleading now before the throne.

O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Far surpassing all the rest:

It's an ocean full of blessing, in the midst of every test. O the deep, deep love of Jesus! Mighty Savior, precious Friend; You will bring us home to glory, where Your love will never end.

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## Thy Mercy My God

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Thy mercy, my God, is the theme of my song, The joy of my heart. and the boast of my tongue; Thy free grace alone, from the first to the last, Hath won my affections, and bound my soul fast.

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart, Which wonders to feel its own hardness depart; Dissolved by Thy goodness, I fall to the ground, And weep to the praise of the mercy I've found.

## Hallelujah, Hallelujah!

Great Father of mercies, Thy goodness I own, And the covenant love of Thy crucified Son; All praise to the Spirit, Whose whisper divine, Seals mercy, and pardon, and righteousness mine.

## Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

(Immediately following this prayer, 4-5 year olds are invited, but not required, to attend Teach me to Worship. They will meet their teachers in the back of the sanctuary and from there, will follow them to the classroom. They will return to sit on the back row to see Communion and hear the Benediction. Parents can pick them up there at the conclusion of the service.)

## His Tithes & Our Offerings

Sermon

Pastor Scott Phillips

Thirsty John 4:1-26 (page 888)

## 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.)

# Elder Connor Ross

## Habershon

## He Will Hold Me Fast

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.

#### Benediction<sup>2</sup>

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

#### Song of Faith

## Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen. Old 100th

Romans 15:13

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 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. 5

## Church Family Reminders

**Women's Ministry "Mid-Season Gathering":** All the women of DPC are invited to the Temple Inc. (320 Bank Street) this Thursday, October 20, 6:00-8:00pm. Bring snacks and drinks to share. Come for a relaxing evening of fellowship. For more information, contact Betsy Stark (334.728.1409, bstark8905@gmail.com) or Faye Temple (256.227.6525, faye.temple@temple-inc.com).

Fall Festival: Join us for the Fall Festival Wednesday, October 26 at 5:30 p.m.! We will have a bonfire, live music, bounce houses, games, a hayride, and our annual chili cookoff. If you would like to make chili for the cookoff, please contact Margaret Fudge at jtfudge@att.net.

**Bridal Shower:** Join us for a bridal shower for Leah Carpenter (fiancé is Rylan Scott) Sunday, October 30, 2:00-3:30pm at Temple, Inc. (320 Bank Street). You can go to the website https://rylan-leah.wedsites.com/ to see the couple's registries.

**Women in the Church (WIC):** Stay current and connected to updates and ministry events among the Women's Ministry! Check out the Thursday Email, Sunday Worship Guide, and the WIC email list. If you're not on the WIC email list, please contact Tonya Roth, church administrator (tonya@decaturpca.org).

**NextGen Missions Fundraiser:** Do you love to support foreign missions? Do you also love cookies? Well, do we have a great opportunity for you! On the 3rd Wednesday of each month, the NextGen kids will be providing dessert for the churchwide dinner. For a donation of 50 cents per pre-packaged treat, you can help our kids support DPC missionaries, and satisfy your sweet tooth all at the same time!

**Operation Christmas Child:** Your participation in the shoebox ministry of Samaritan's Purse is a chance to send love and the gospel to children all around the world. Stop by the OCC table in the Gathering Room and pick up your box(es). Prayerfully fill them with items (note exceptions) and return to DPC, unsealed. The World Missions Committee is funding the shipping fee on our first 50 boxes, so send no money! Contact Mary Chism at maebelle12@att.net with questions.

**Midweek College Study:** College-aged young adults are invited to a midweek study every Thursday night at 6:00 at Chris and Lainee Oliver's house (2309 Greenwood Dr. SE). We are studying Revelation using Dennis E. Johnson's *Triumph of the Lamb*. For more information, contact Nathan at nathan@decaturpca.org or (256) 280-7912.

# ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

#### FALL 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 Mark - Sports Center of the Bible. The class meets in the classroom down the back hallway from the sanctuary, across from the choir room. Walk-ons are welcome!

**Study #158 - Ephesians:** In a world where Christianity seems increasingly sidelined and even irrelevant, we need to grasp the truths of this life-changing letter - Ephesians. Come join this new adult class (Room #158), where in the context of study and fellowship, we will discover how being "in Christ" changes everything—our view of ourselves, our world, our future, our church, homes and workplaces.

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## Service Times

9:30am	Sunday School
10:45am	Worship

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