



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

Come to the Word with a spirit of longing with devotion and humble expectation.  
Be determined to know God.

A.W. Tozer

O God, you are my God; earnestly I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you,  
as in a dry and weary land where there is no water. So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,  
beholding your power and glory. Because your steadfast love is better than life, my lips will praise you.

Psalms 63:1–3

# The Lord's Day — November 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 Assembly<sup>1</sup>

## Jesus, Lover of My Soul

Wesley

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till life's storm is past;  
Safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on Thee,  
Leave, oh leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!  
All my trust on Thee is stayed, all help from Thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want; here more than all I find:  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is Thy name; I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am, Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart, for all eternity.

## Welcome and Announcements

## Report of the Living Church

Brian Rodgers

*Understanding the Faith* by Stephen Smallman

## Responsive Call to Worship

Isaiah 35:3-6

Pastor: Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart,

**People: "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you."**

Pastor: Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped;

**People: then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy.**

## Prayer of Adoration & Praise

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O for a thousand tongues to sing, my great Redeemer's praise,  
 The glories of my God and King, the triumphs of His grace.  
 Jesus! The Name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease,  
 'Tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.  
 He breaks the power of reigning sin, he sets the prisoner free;  
 His blood can make the foulest clean, his blood availed for me.  
 My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim,  
 To spread thro' all the earth abroad, the honors of Thy name.

**Reading of the Word: *Life Swallows up Death*****Isaiah 25:1-9**

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you; I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the foreigners' palace is a city no more; it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a stronghold to the poor, a stronghold to the needy in his distress, a shelter from the storm and a shade from the heat; for the breath of the ruthless is like a storm against a wall, like heat in a dry place. You subdue the noise of the foreigners; as heat by the shade of a cloud, so the song of the ruthless is put down. On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wine, of rich food full of marrow, of aged wine well refined. And he will swallow up on this mountain the covering that is cast over all peoples, the veil that is spread over all nations. He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, "Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Confession of Sin**

**Father, by Jesus' resurrection from the grave, shattering the power of sin and death, we humbly ask that You would forgive the sin that so often entangles us, all the ways we doubt and deny Your victory, which offends You and prevents us from serving You. Father, help us to trust Your power to change our lives, that we might live out the reality of Christ's resurrection, and to know the joy of abundant life given in Jesus Christ. This we ask in the name of Your Risen Son, our Savior ...*Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin...* Amen!**

**Assurance of Forgiveness****Ephesians 2:4-5**

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

## Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

### Indescribable

Story

From the highest of heights, to the depths of the sea, Creation's revealing your majesty.  
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring; Every creature unique in the song that it sings; All exclaiming:

*Indescribable! Uncontainable! You placed the stars in the sky and you know them by name. You are amazing God!  
All powerful, untamable; awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim. You are amazing God!*

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go? Or seen Heavenly storehouses laden with snow?  
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light? Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night?

None can fathom:

*Incomparable, unchangeable; You know the depths of my heart and you love me the same.  
You are amazing God! You are amazing God!*

### Jesus Messiah

Tomlin

He became sin who knew no sin that we might become His righteousness  
He humbled Himself and carried the cross, love so amazing love so amazing

*Jesus Messiah Name above all names, Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel  
The Rescue for sinners, the Ransom from heaven, Jesus Messiah Lord of all*

His body the bread His blood the wine, broken and poured out all for love  
The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn, love so amazing love so amazing  
All our hope is in You, all our hope is in You, All the glory to You God, the Light of the world

### The Blessing

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The Lord bless you, and keep you. Make His face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace.

*Amen, amen, amen. Amen, amen, amen.*

May His favor be upon you and a thousand generations and your family  
and your children and their children and their children.

May His presence go before you and behind you and beside you.  
All around you and within you, He is with you, He is with you.

In the morning, in the evening, in your coming and your going.  
In your weeping and rejoicing. He is for you, He is for you, He is for you, He is for you.

## Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Kent Quinn

**...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.**

*(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.)*

## Singing to the Lord

*In Him We Live*

Kids of the King

## His Tithes & Our Offerings

## Sermon

Pastor Scott Phillips

**Jesus Is The Life**  
**John 5:19-29** (page 890)

## 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.)*

### **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?

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

**Psalm 121:7-8**

The Lord will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The Lord will keep your going out and you're coming in from this time forth and forevermore.

### **Song of Faith**

#### **Now Thank We All Our God**

**Rinkart**

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,  
The Son, and Him who reigns with them in highest Heaven.  
The one eternal God, whom earth and Heav'n adore;  
For thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

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<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.

## Church Family Reminders

**Our Pictorial Church Directory is Online!** We need *every family* to create a Login and upload a picture. Please go to <https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/> and follow the prompts under “First time signing in? Create Login”. Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in and edit your family profile. You won’t be able to see your changes until an administrator approves the change. Contact [chip.walraven@gmail.com](mailto:chip.walraven@gmail.com) or [tonya@decaturpca.org](mailto:tonya@decaturpca.org) if you need help.

**Operation Christmas Child:** It is so exciting to watch the shoebox stacks grow higher! Final reminders: Note EXCEPTIONS for items allowed. Fill out & affix LABELS. Do NOT seal. Do NOT include checks. DEADLINE is this Wednesday the 16th. DPC boxes will be delivered to our local Drop Off site (Westmeade BC) on Thursday, 11/17; next stop, the Atlanta Processing Center, then the world!!! Remember to pray for the child who will receive your box! Questions? See Mary Chism.

### **NCC Thanksgiving Food Boxes**

By this Thursday, November 17, please bring donated food items to the NCC: canned hams, sweet potatoes, green beans, corn, Jiffy cornbread mix, chocolate chip cookie mix, cake mix & frosting, gravy mix packets, boxed potatoes. Or, donate money: send check to NCC (write ‘Thanksgiving’ in memo) or Online at [www.decaturncc.org](http://www.decaturncc.org) or drop off cash at the NCC (619 Bank St., Decatur)

**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!

**Midweek College Study:** College-aged young adults are invited to a midweek study every Thursday night at 6:00 at Chris and Laine Oliver's house (2309 Greenwood Dr. SE). We are going through *Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God* by J.I. Packer For more information, contact Nathan at [nathan@decaturpca.org](mailto: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 - Ezra and Nehemiah:** Come join the new adult class in room #158 where in the context of study and fellowship, we will discuss the vital story of a community revived and restored by God's grace, through the gifted individuals of Ezra and Nehemiah, preparing the way for the Messiah to come.

## Session

Jeff Keith	Allen Schmidt
Mike McMahan	Greg Smith
Kent Quinn	Blake Temple
Brian Rodgers	Chip Walraven
Connor Ross	

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## Service Times

9:30am	Sunday School
10:45am	Worship

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