



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

The Lord's Day — October 29, 2023

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

Song of Assembly¹

Come Ye Sinners

Smith

Come ye sinners, poor and wretched, weak and wounded, sick and sore.
Jesus, ready, stands to save you, full of pity joined with power.
He is able, He is able; He is willing; doubt no more.
Come ye weary, heavy laden, bruised and broken by the fall.
If you tarry till you're better, you will never come at all.
Not the righteous, not the righteous; sinners Jesus came to call.
Lo! The Incarnate God, ascended; pleads the merit of His blood.
Venture on Him; venture wholly, let no other trust intrude.
None but Jesus, none but Jesus can do helpless sinners good.

Welcome and Announcements

Report of the Living Church

Mary Chism, Operation Christmas Child

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 109:26, 30-31

Pastor: Help me, O Lord my God! Save me according to your steadfast love!

People: With my mouth I will give great thanks to the Lord; I will praise him in the midst of the throng.

Pastor: For he stands at the right hand of the needy,

People: to save him from those who condemn his soul to death.

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

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Hymn of Praise

All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name!

Perronet

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem, And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,
And crown Him Lord of all!

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe, On this terrestrial ball, On this terrestrial ball,
To Him all majesty ascribe, And crown Him, crown Him, crown Him, crown Him,
And crown Him Lord of all!

Reading of the Word: *What the Lord Requires*

Deuteronomy 10:12-21

And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, which I am commanding you today for your good? Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. Yet the Lord set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Our Father, forgive our sins. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive our attempts to redeem ourselves and our unwillingness to trust you. We come now to you with empty hands and contrite hearts to receive the mercy you give so freely ...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Assurance of Forgiveness

Romans 6:22-23

But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me

Robinson

What gift of grace is Jesus, my redeemer, There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom, My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: All is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me
The night is dark but I am not forsaken, For by my side, the Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, For in my need, His power is displayed
To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me, Through the deepest valley, He will lead
Oh, the night has been won, and I shall overcome, Yet not I, but through Christ in me
With every breath, I long to follow Jesus, For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me, Until I stand with joy before the throne
To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat: Yet not I, but through Christ in me!
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The Power of the Cross

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Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day. Christ on the road to Calvary.
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then. Nailed to a cross of wood.
*This, the pow'r of the cross. Christ became sin for us.
Took the blame, bore the wrath. We stand forgiven at the cross.*
Oh to see the pain written on Your face. Bearing the awesome weight of sin.
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed crowning Your bloodstained brow.
Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath quakes as its maker bows His head.
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life. "Finished!" the vict'ry cry.
Oh to see my name written in Your wounds, for through Your suffering I am free.
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live, won through Your selfless love!
*This the pow'r of the cross. Son of God slain for us.
What a life, what a cost. We stand forgiven at the cross.*

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.
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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Allen Schmidt

(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

Counting Sheep

DPC Kids Choir

His Tithes & Our Offerings

Sermon

Pastor Scott Phillips

**The Disciples' Paths: Grace
Ephesians 2:1-10 (Page 976)**

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.)

Rock of Ages

Toplady

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee;
Let the water and the blood, from Thy wounded side which flowed,
Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill Thy law's demands;
Could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,
All for sin could not atone; Thou must save, and Thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to Thy cross I cling;
Naked, come to Thee for dress; helpless, look to Thee for grace;
Foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death;
When I soar to worlds unknown, see Thee on Thy judgment throne,
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in Thee.

Benediction²

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

Song of Faith

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Newton/Tomlin

My chains are gone, I've been set free.
My God, my Savior has ransomed me,
And like a flood His mercy reigns;
Unending love, amazing grace.

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.

Church Family Reminders

Welcome to our Visitors! We are so grateful to God that you've come! If you are willing, please use the QR to give us as much contact information as you are comfortable with. In this way, we reconnect with you and find ways that we may be able to serve you or pray for you.



Ironmen Event: "I'm baaack!," says Arnold. Ironman, a gathering of DPC men and their friends (16 and over), will take place this Friday night, Nov.03, from 6:00pm – 8:00pm at Gil Cook's farm (88 Akins Mountain Rd, Hartselle). Gil's grilling the meat, DPC will provide the drinks, and the men should bring sides and dessert.

Operation Christmas Child: Be an International Missionary in Decatur! (1) Visit the OCC table in the Gathering Room. (2) Take home a shoebox (3) Prayerfully shop for items to fill it. (4) Pray for the child who will receive your gift. (5) Return stuffed shoebox(es) by Wednesday, November 15. Our hope is to give out/receive all 95 boxes! Contact Mary Chism for more information, maebelle12@att.net.

Bridal Tea: Join us for a bridal tea for Hayley Maroney (fiancee' of Jonah Little) on Sunday, November 19, 2:00-3:30pm at Temple, Inc. (320 Bank Street). The couple is registered at Amazon and Belk.

ROOTS 2024: The next edition of ROOTS is on the calendar from 1/19-1/21 at Camp ToKnowHim. Our theme for this year is "My Savior Makes Me Whole," and the cost is \$145. To sign up, scan the QR code outside the Youth Room or email tucker@decaturpca.org for more information!

Life Groups/Small Groups: Looking to grow spiritually? 'Discipleship' is a key component of the DPC mission! Please use the "interest card" to indicate your desire to participate in a Life Group or other small group. For more information, contact pastor Rick Stark, rick@decaturpca.org.

Wednesday Night Ministries: Our mid-week ministries have resumed. Come join us every Wednesday! Soli de Gloria Choir begins at 5:00pm. A church family meal is served from 5:30pm – 6:15pm. Kid's Choir and Youth begin at 6:00pm; Adult Choir begins at 6:15. NextGen, Open Door Study and Life Groups are at 6:30pm – 7:30pm.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

FALL 2023

9:30 am

“Grandparenting Matters”: We invite all grandparents to join us. We will be studying and discussing from the Scriptures why grandparenting matters and how do we practically love and pass along our faith to our children and grandchildren, in the classroom across the hall from the church offices.

Sedona Class: Galatians The class taught by George Godwin, meets in the classroom down the back hallway from the sanctuary, across from the choir room. Walk-ins are welcome!

Study #158 - Galatians, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon: In the context of study and fellowship, we will discuss and make applications from the stories of the New Testament church - its community, doctrine, and mission - through the Letters of Paul.

Session

George Godwin
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Mike McMahan
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Connor Ross

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Blake Temple
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8:15am Worship
9:30am Sunday School
10:45am Worship

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