



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 — November 19, 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

How Great Is Our God

Tomlin/Cash/Reeves

The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice

He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice

*How great is our God, Sing with me, How great is our God,
And all will see how great, How great is our God*

And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands
Beginning and the End. Beginning and the End

The Godhead three in one, Father Spirit Son
The Lion and the Lamb. The Lion and the Lamb

Name above all names. Worthy of all praise.
My heart will sing, how great is our God

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

Psalm 100:1-5

Pastor: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Pastor: Know that the Lord, he is God!

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Pastor: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise! Give thanks to him; bless his name!

All: For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

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Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home;
 All is safely gathered in, ere the winter storms begin.
 God our Maker doth provide for our wants to be supplied;
 Come to God's own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home.

Even so, Lord, quickly come, to Thy final harvest home;
 Gather Thou Thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin,
 There, forever purified, in Thy presence to abide;
 Come, with all Thine angels come, raise the glorious harvest home.

Reading of the Word: *Thanking God for His Salvation*

Isaiah 38:9-20

A writing of Hezekiah king of Judah, after he had been sick and had recovered from his sickness: I said, In the middle of my days I must depart; I am consigned to the gates of Sheol for the rest of my years. I said, I shall not see the Lord, the Lord in the land of the living; I shall look on man no more among the inhabitants of the world. My dwelling is plucked up and removed from me like a shepherd's tent; like a weaver I have rolled up my life; he cuts me off from the loom; from day to night you bring me to an end; I calmed myself until morning; like a lion he breaks all my bones; from day to night you bring me to an end. Like a swallow or a crane I chirp; I moan like a dove. My eyes are weary with looking upward. O Lord, I am oppressed; be my pledge of safety! What shall I say? For he has spoken to me, and he himself has done it. I walk slowly all my years because of the bitterness of my soul. O Lord, by these things men live, and in all these is the life of my spirit. Oh restore me to health and make me live! Behold, it was for my welfare that I had great bitterness; but in love you have delivered my life from the pit of destruction, for you have cast all my sins behind your back. For Sheol does not thank you; death does not praise you; those who go down to the pit do not hope for your faithfulness. The living, the living, he thanks you, as I do this day; the father makes known to the children your faithfulness. The Lord will save me, and we will play my music on stringed instruments all the days of our lives, at the house of the Lord.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus, we thank you that though we were aliens and strangers in the world, you have called us out of darkness and brought us into the wonderful light of your love and presence, that we might enjoy holy fellowship with you and with each other. We confess, however, that we often stray from your ways. Forgive us for the thoughts that have offended you, the words that have hurt others, the actions that have promoted ourselves rather than your glory. Clothe us with humility, and the ability to cast all our anxiety upon you that we might know anew the peace and joy that comes from following our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ ...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Corinthians 15:56-58

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Lo, He Comes

Wesley

Every eye shall now behold Him, robed in dreadful majesty.
Those who set at naught and sold Him, pierced and nailed Him to the tree.

Deeply wailing, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

*Lo! He comes with clouds descending, once for our salvation slain.
Thousand, thousand saints attending, swell the triumph of His train.
Alleluia! Alleluia! God appears on earth to reign.*

Lo! He comes in glory shining, saints arise and meet your King.
Glorious captain of salvation, "welcome, welcome" hear them sing.
Shouts of triumph, Shouts of triumph, make the heav'ns with echoes ring.

Yea amen let all adore Thee, high on thine eternal throne.
Savior take the power and glory, claim the kingdom for thine own.
O Come quickly, O come quickly, alleluia, come Lord, come!

At the Cross (I Bow My Knees)

Morgan/Zschech

Oh Lord You've searched me, You know my way, Even when I fail You, I know You love me
Your holy presence, surrounding me, In every season, I know You love me, I know You love me

*At the cross I bow my knee, where Your blood was shed for me
There's no greater love than this, You have overcome the grave
Your Glory fills the highest place, what can separate me now?*

You go before me, You shield my way, Your hand upholds me, I know You love me

You tore the veil, You made a way, When You said that it is done.

And when the earth fades, falls from my eyes. You stand before me, I know You love me. I know You love me

Give Thanks

Smith

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One,
Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son.

And now let the weak say, "I am strong," Let the poor say, "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give Thanks!

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Pastor Scott Phillips

(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

All Creatures of Our God and King

Worship Choir

His Tithes & Our Offerings

Sermon

Pastor Scott Phillips

The Heart of Thanksgiving

Luke 17:11-19 (Page 876)

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.)

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness

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My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who bore my pain;
Who plumbed the depths of my disgrace and gave me life again.
Who crushed my curse of sinfulness and clothed me in His light
And wrote His law of righteousness with pow'r upon my heart.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who walks beside;
Who floods my weaknesses with strength and causes fears to fly.

Whose every promise is enough for every step I take;
Sustaining me with arms of love and crowning me with grace.

My heart is filled with thankfulness to Him who reigns above;
Whose wisdom is my perfect peace, whose every thought is love.

For every day I have on earth is given by the King.
So I will give my life, my all, to love and follow Him. To love and follow Him.

Benediction²**Hebrews 13:20-21**

Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in us that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

Song of Faith**We Are the Body of Christ****Hampton**

One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise You, we are the body of Christ.

One goal, one vision, to see You exalted, we are the body of Christ.

And to this we give our lives, to see You glorified.

One heart, one Spirit, one voice to praise You,
We are the body of Christ. We are the body of Christ.

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.



Operation Christmas Child: Thank you to all those who contributed to the fun and blessings of filling shoeboxes. Wednesday evening total = 63!

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

J.O.Y.ful Endeavors Luncheon: Joyful Endeavors cordially invites any senior adults to join a like-minded group on Nov 26 after the later worship service for a potluck meal (Thanksgiving leftovers will not be refused!) and fun time of fellowship!

Annual Christmas Cantata & Reception: Mark your calendars in advance for a spectacular event, *O Holy Night, the Long Awaited One!*, which all choirs have been preparing for us. The event is scheduled for Sunday evening, December 10 from 5:00 - 6:00pm. Immediately following there will be a delicious reception to honor the Cantata and to celebrate the Christmas season.

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: 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
Jeff Keith
Mike McMahan
Brian Rodgers
Connor Ross

Allen Schmidt
Greg Smith
Blake Temple
Chip Walraven

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John Elder
James Fudge
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Service Times

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

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