



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 — March 24, 2024

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>

## Hosanna

## Baloché

Praise is rising, eyes are turning to You, we turn to You.  
Hope is stirring, hearts are yearning for You, we long for You  
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.  
In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

*Hosanna, hosanna. You are the God Who saves us, worthy of all our praises  
Hosanna, hosanna. Come have Your way among us, we welcome You here, Lord Jesus*

Hear the sound of hearts returning to You, we turn to You.  
In Your Kingdom broken lives are made new, You make us new  
'Cause when we see You, we find strength to face the day.  
In Your Presence all our fears are washed away, washed away

## Children's Palm Sunday Processional

## Welcome and Announcements

## Report of the Living Church

Jordan Littrell, Women's Retreat

## Responsive Call to Worship

**Zechariah 9:9, Psalm 118:26, Psalm 20:7**

Leader: Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.

**Congregation: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! We bless you from the house of the Lord.**

Leader: Some trust in chariots and some in horses,

**Congregation: but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.**

## Prayer of Adoration & Praise

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All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,  
To Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!  
Thou art the King of Israel, Thou David's royal Son,  
Who in the Lord's name comest, the King and blessed One!  
The people of the Hebrews with palms before Thee went;  
Our praise and prayer and anthems before Thee we present:  
To Thee, before Thy passion, they sang their hymns of praise;  
To Thee, now high exalted, our melody we raise.  
Thou didst accept their praises; accept the prayers we bring,  
Who in all good delightest, Thou good and gracious King!  
All glory, laud, and honor to Thee, Redeemer, King,  
To Whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring!

**Reading of the Word: *Flee Unbelief, Come to Christ*****Hebrews 3:12-19**

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today," that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original confidence firm to the end. As it is said, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? And with whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness? And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient? So we see that they were unable to enter because of unbelief.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God!**

**Confession of Sin**

**Holy Lord, we have sinned times without number, and been guilty of pride and unbelief, of failure to find your mind in your Word, of neglect to seek you in daily life. Our transgressions and short-comings present us with a list of accusations, but we bless you that they will not stand against us, for all have been laid of Christ. Go on to subdue our corruptions, and let us come to Jesus and be healed ...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!**

**Assurance of Forgiveness****1 Peter 2:24**

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

## Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

### Lead On, O King Eternal

Shurtleff

Lead on, O King eternal, the day of march has come; Henceforth in fields of conquest, thy tents shall be our home.  
Through days of preparation, thy grace has made us strong; And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, And holiness shall whisper, the sweet amen of peace.

For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums;

With deeds of love and mercy the heavenly kingdom comes.

*So lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on, O King, Lead on.*

### God So Loved

Bergthold/Cash

Come all you weary, come all you thirsty, come to the well that never runs dry

Drink of the water, come and thirst no more

Come all you sinners, come find His mercy, come to the table, He will satisfy

Taste of His goodness, find what you're looking for

*For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us*

*Whoever believes in Him will love forever*

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions, come lay them down at the foot of the cross

Jesus is waiting there with open arms, see His open arms

*For God so loved the world that He gave us His one and only Son to save us, Whoever believes in Him will love forever*

*The power of hell, forever defeated, now it is well, I'm walking in freedom, For God so loved, God so loved the world*

Praise God, Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, Praise Him for wonders of His love

Bring all your failures, bring your addictions, come lay them down at the foot of the cross

Jesus is waiting, God so loved the world.

### Revelation Song

Riddle

Worthy is the, Lamb who was slain, Holy, Holy, is He

Sing a new song, to Him who sits on Heaven's Mercy Seat

*Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord God Almighty; Who was, and is, and is to come. With all creation I sing:*

*Praise to the King of Kings! You are my everything, and I will adore You...*

Clothed in rainbows, of living color, flashes of lightning, rolls of thunder

Blessing and honor, strength and glory and power be to You the Only Wise King.

Filled with wonder, awestruck wonder at the mention of Your Name

Jesus, Your Name is Power, Breath, and Living Water such a marvelous mystery.

## Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

**Elder Andy Thompson**

*(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**

**We Three Kings**  
**2 Kings 3:1-27** (Page 308)

## 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.)*

## Take Shelter

**Peterson**

When the nations rage and death is at the door, When the wars are waged as they have been before  
There's a refuge that I run to, a respite from my fear, Nothing in this world can harm me here

When my song of hope is swallowed by the pain, As the weariness of grief floods in again  
Will You find me in the valley? Oh, hear my helpless cry, Hold me as a mother holds her child

*And I'll take shelter, take shelter in the loving arms of God  
And I will take shelter, take shelter in the loving arms of God*

When a greater war had torn apart my soul, And the iron hold of sin would not let go  
All of Heaven stormed the darkness in the power of the cross, I'm freed beneath the banner of His love

When the labors of this fleeting life are done, As the shadows fall, we'll see the lights of home  
And then all our present troubles will be stories of the past, Safe within His gates, we'll find our rest

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

**Romans 15:13**

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**

### **I Will Glory In My Redeemer**

**Cook**

I will glory in my Redeemer  
Who crushed the power of sin and death,  
My only Savior before the holy Judge,  
The Lamb who is my righteousness,  
The Lamb who is my righteousness.  
I will glory in my Redeemer!

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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

**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.



**NextGen Easter Egg Hunt:** Hop on over to DPC on March 30th from 10:00am-12:00pm for an egg-citing Easter Egg Hunt! Kids aged 2 to 11 are invited to join in the fun, rain or shine! Contact: Jessica Keith, NextGen Coordinator, at 256-466-4651

**Women's Spring Retreat:** April 19-20, 2024 at The Vision in Huntsville. The topic is *"Abide in the True Vine"* (from John 15). Cost is \$75 for lodging and 3 meals. Deadline for registration is April 1st.

**VBS:** Save the Date. June 24-27, 9:00am-12:00pm.

**Youth Fundraising:** Our youth are available to help with household tasks to raise funds for their RYM conference fee. To hire them, email task details, number of students needed, and duration estimate to Tucker at [tucker@decaturpca.org](mailto:tucker@decaturpca.org). Donation amounts are agreed upon with students and parents.

**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](mailto: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

SPRING 2023

9:30 am

**Romans:** Come join us as we study Romans in the classroom across the hall from the church offices. Please join us in this study.

**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 - What Is a Presbyterian?:** It's the name of the "denomination" which DPC affiliates with - churches voluntarily organized and banded together by holding a shared theology and mission. So what does it mean or look like? Join us!

## Session

George Godwin  
Jeff Keith  
Mike McMahan  
Brian Rodgers  
Connor Ross

Allen Schmidt  
Jay Suggs  
Blake Temple  
Andy Thompson  
Chip Walraven

## Diaconate

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## Service Times

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

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