



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 — April 21, 2024

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

Song of Assembly¹

Only A Holy God

Farren/Robinson/Smith/Thompson

Who else commands all the hosts of Heaven? Who else could make every king bow down?

Who else could whisper and darkness trembles? Only a Holy God

What other beauty demands such praises? What other splendor outshines the Sun?

What other majesty rules with justice? Only a Holy God

Come and behold Him, the One and the Only

Cry out, sing holy, forever a Holy God

Come and worship the Holy God

What other glory consumes like fire? What other power can raise the dead?

What other name remains undefeated? Only a Holy God

Welcome and Announcements

Responsive Call to Worship

from Psalm 115

Pastor: Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory,

People: For the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!

Pastor: Our God is in the heavens; he does all that he pleases.

People: O Israel, trust in the Lord! He is your help and your shield.

Pastor: You who fear the Lord, trust in the Lord! He is your help and your shield.

All: We will bless the Lord from this time forth and forevermore. Praise the Lord!

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

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To God be the glory, great things He has done!
 So loved He the world that He gave us His Son,
 Who yielded His life an atonement for sin,
 And opened the lifegate that we may go in.

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear His voice!

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, Let the people rejoice!

*O Come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
 And give Him the glory, great things He has done!*

O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
 To every believer the promise of God;
 The vilest offender who truly believes,
 That moment from Jesus a pardon receives.

Reading of the Word: *The Danger of Needing Nothing*

Revelation 3:14-22

And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write: "The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of God's creation. "I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot! So, because you are lukewarm, and neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth. For you say, I am rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing, not realizing that you are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. I counsel you to buy from me gold refined by fire, so that you may be rich, and white garments so that you may clothe yourself and the shame of your nakedness may not be seen, and salve to anoint your eyes, so that you may see. Those whom I love, I reprove and discipline, so be zealous and repent. Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with me. The one who conquers, I will grant him to sit with me on my throne, as I also conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

God of mercy, we humbly confess our need of your pardoning grace. We have sheltered arrogance and pride in our hearts and have believed that our efforts are good enough to earn what only you can provide for us. We have become quick to judge and quick to anger when our plans, pleasures, and preferences are threatened. We have been slow to offer mercy, both inwardly and outwardly, towards those people you have consciously placed in our lives and called us to love. Forgive our self-righteousness, our self-absorption, and our self-focus. Fix our eyes on Christ and may we become enraptured with Him ...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... Amen!

Assurance of Forgiveness

1 Peter 5:5-7

Clothe yourselves, all of you, with humility toward one another, for "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you.

Worship with Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

You Are the Lord

Smith

Worthy we stand saved by His hand.
Great is Your name in all the earth.
Worthy alone Christ on the throne,
Your kingdom will reign forever.
You are the Lord Most High!

To the Only God

Tomlin

To the only God, who is able to keep us,
Able to keep us from falling.
To the only God, be all glory and honor,
Majesty and power, for all ages now and forevermore.

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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Connor Ross

(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

The World is Upside Down

2 Kings 5:1-27 (Page 311)

We Respond By Receiving New Members

The Lord Adds to His Church

(10:45 service)

Luke & Peyton McKinney (Levi)

The Membership Vows (PCA Book of Church Order §57-5)

Do you acknowledge yourself to be a sinner in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope except through His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as become followers of Christ?

Do you promise to support the Church in its worship and work to the best of your abilities?

Do you submit yourself to the government and discipline of the Church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Prayer for the New Members

Elder Chip Walraven

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.)

Be Thou My Vision

Hull

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night, Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word; I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son, Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise, Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart, High King of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, my victory won, May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Benediction²

based on Ephesians 3:16-17

May God the Father, according to the riches of his glory, grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith.

Song of Faith

Worthy Is the Lamb

Zschech

Worthy is the Lamb seated on the throne. Crown You now with many crowns You reign victorious!
High and lifted up Jesus, Son of God. Sent from Heaven, crucified...worthy is the Lamb.

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.



Officer Nominations: We will be accepting elder & deacon nominations the entire month of April. Officer qualification study guides, reflection papers, and nomination forms are available in the foyer, along with the box in which to place your nomination. Please pray over any nomination you'd like to make and read the nomination form carefully.

Senior Recognition Sunday: There will be short receptions honoring our 2024 high school graduates immediately following both the 8:15 and 10:45 worship service Sunday, May 5th. There will be gift tables for each graduate located in the Café area. Our seniors this year are: Meagan Green: Criminology, University undecided; Grant Keith: USAF/National Guard for Cybersecurity; Nicole Montgomery: Exercise Science pre-PT, The University of Mississippi (Ole Miss); Noah Phillips: Psychology, Mississippi State; Izzy Kate Priest: Biomedical Engineering or Science, Pre-Pharmacy Track, Auburn; Conner Seale: Mechanical Engineering, Auburn

Baby Shower! Join us for a baby shower for Jessie (Schieler) Kappers, Sunday, May 5 at 2 pm at Temple, Inc. (320 Bank Street). Jessie is expecting a girl, and is registered at <https://www.babylist.com/list/jessie-kappers>

Summer Missions: Please be praying for Jack Lyons as he makes plans to return to Japan with Mission to the World, sharing the gospel through Community Arts Tokyo and working with college students. For more information, go to jacktojapan.com.

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. 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.

Wednesday Night Ministries: Our mid-week ministries have resumed. Come join us every Wednesday! 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 6:30pm – 7:30pm.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION CLASSES

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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: Shepherding A Child's Heart 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

John Elder
James Fudge
Wade Littrell
Bill Nelson
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Service Times

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

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