



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

September 22, 2024

SERVICE TIMES

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Room 158: Mark
Room 167: Romans
Room 168: Philippians

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

5:30pm Meal
6:00pm NextGen & Youth
6:15pm Adult Choir
6:30pm Adult Groups

WELCOME TO WORSHIP!

Worship is the heart and soul of the church; we are made for exalting Christ. We are intentional to invite everyone each Lord's day to encounter the living Christ in a joyful, reverent, and accessible way, receiving all the blessings of his Gospel to the praise and glory of God.

OUR IDENTITY

Vision: A community of transforming grace

Mission: Inviting everyone to love and follow Jesus

CORE VALUES

Worship: Reverent and Relevant
Community: Close-knit and Outward-facing
Discipleship: Robust and Transformational
Service: Compassionate and Bold

ORDER FOR WORSHIP

LITURGY NOTES

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column throughout the worship guide answers the "what" and "why" of the elements of our liturgy.

During responsive readings, the part of the Leader will be in plain text, and **the part of the People will be in bold.**

This song allows us to get situated in the room and prepare our hearts for worship.

Song of Assembly: Praise God¹

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
In Heaven above and earth below.
Praise God the Father and the Son,
Praise God the Spirit, three-in-one.

From all that dwell beneath the skies,
Let the Creator's praise arise.
Let our Redeemer's name be sung,
Through every land, by every tongue.

Eternal are Your mercies Lord,
Eternal truth attends Your Word.
Your praise will sound from shore to shore,
Till suns shall rise and set no more.

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Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Rick Stark, Associate Pastor

Call to Worship

PASTOR: Great and amazing are your deeds, O Lord God the Almighty!

PEOPLE: **Just and true are your ways, O King of the nations!**

PASTOR: Who will not fear, O Lord, and glorify your name? For you alone are holy.

PEOPLE: **All nations will come and worship you, for your righteous acts have been revealed!**

REVELATION 15:3-4

At God's command and invitation, we enter his presence and respond with worship.

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

Worship involves the whole person: body, soul, intellect, emotions. Singing hymns and songs grounded in biblical truth engages all our faculties in worship together.

Hymn of Praise:

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

Love divine, all loves excelling,
Joy of heav'n, to earth come down:
Fix in us Thy humble dwelling, All Thy faithful mercies crown:
Jesus, Thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love Thou art;
Visit us with Thy salvation, enter every trembling heart.

Breathe, O breathe Thy loving Spirit
into every troubled breast;
Let us all in Thee inherit, let us find the promised rest:
Take away the love of sinning; Alpha and Omega be;
End of faith, as its Beginning, set our hearts at liberty.

Come, Almighty, to deliver, let us all Thy life receive;
Suddenly return, and never, nevermore Thy temples leave.
Thee we would be always blessing,
serve Thee as Thy hosts above,
Pray, and praise Thee, without ceasing,
glory in Thy perfect love.

JOEL 2:28-32

The Promise of the Spirit

Reading of the Word

And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit. And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Our Father in heaven, we are often blind to our sins, so you have sent your Spirit to awaken our minds to our need of a savior. We call on the name of Jesus for forgiveness of sin and restoration of our souls before you. In the name of Christ, our savior, have mercy upon us

...Silent & Personalized Confession of Sin... **Amen!**

Assurance of Forgiveness

“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.... For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved... For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

When we confess our sins, we agree with Scripture's claim that all have sinned and fall short of God's glory. We confess general sins together, followed by a silent moment for personal confession.

ROMANS 10:9-10, 13

All who confess their sins and trust in God's mercy through Jesus Christ believe their sins are pardoned. We remember this truth with a weekly Scripture assuring us of God's willing forgiveness.

Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

By Faith

By faith we see the hand of God
in the light of creation's grand design
In the lives of those who prove
His faithfulness, who walk by faith and not by sight

By faith our fathers roamed the earth
with the power of His promise in their hearts
Of a holy city built by God's own hand,
a place where peace and justice reign

*We will stand as children of the promise,
we will fix our eyes on Him our soul's reward
Till the race is finished and the work is done,
we'll walk by faith and not by sight*

By faith the prophets saw a day
when the longed-for Messiah would appear
With the power to break the chains of sin and death
and rise triumphant from the grave

By faith the church was called to go
in the power of the Spirit to the lost
To deliver captives and to preach good news
in every corner of the earth

We will stand...

By faith this mountain shall be moved
and the power of the gospel shall prevail
For we know in Christ all things are possible
for all who call upon His name

We will stand...

Come Praise and Glorify

Come praise and glorify our God, The Father of our Lord
In Christ He has in heav'nly realms,
His blessings on us poured
For pure and blameless in His sight, He destined us to be
And now we've been adopted through, His Son eternally

Come praise and glorify our God, For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal, The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope, Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise, To God, the Three in One

*To the praise of Your glory,
To the praise of Your mercy and grace,
To the praise of Your glory,
You are the God who saves*

Come praise and glorify our God, For we've believed the Word
And through our faith we have a seal, The Spirit of the Lord
The Spirit guarantees our hope, Until redemption's done
Until we join in endless praise. To God, the Three in One

Fall On Us

May the power of your presence overwhelm us,
Holy Spirit living breath of God
Give your grace and gifts to all who gather,
Help us see... set us free

May the beauty of your glory.. captivate us,
Show us ways we fail to walk in love
Touch our troubled spirit with forgiveness,
Renew us here... draw us near

*Fall on us, Holy Spirit,
Breathe in our hearts and light your fire
Fall on us, Holy Spirit,
Move in this place with resurrection power
Fall on us, Fall on us, Holy God*

May the comfort of your mercy bring the peace of God,
Speak into our lives the word of Christ
Give us faith and hope for life's long journey,
Fill our souls....make us whole

For the the proud and for the hopeless,
For the strong and for the weak
For the sure and for the doubting,
For the one who has no peace
For the healthy and the ailing,
For the rich and for the poor
For all who come in victory,
For all who just endure

Elders, responsible before God to care for and lead the church, serve by giving thanks for our blessings and praying for our needs.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder Mike McMahan

(Immediately following this prayer, during the 10:45 service only, 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

Psalm 23 (Surely Goodness, Surely Mercy)

Worship Choir

All we have belongs to God. One act of worship is to acknowledge his generosity through cheerful and sacrificial giving.

His Tithes & Offerings

God promises to communicate with us through the preaching of his Word. Our trust is not in the preacher's ability, but in the Holy Spirit using the scriptures to engage our minds and hearts.

Sermon

The Coronation of The King

Acts 2:1-36 (Page 909)

Pastor Scott Phillips

Jesus gave the Church this symbolic meal to communicate his presence and fellowship with believers. It is the family meal of Christians.

To those not taking the Supper

We're glad you're here and welcome you back any time. Take this moment to reflect on the claims made in this service and consider praying to ask God if he will persuade you of how you can know him.

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

(Elders will bring the bread and cup in trays to each row. Gluten free communion bread is available upon request; simply pass the regular bread to the next person and raise your hand to signal the pastor. He will bring you the gluten free bread. 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.)

Holy Spirit

Holy Spirit, living Breath of God,
Breathe new life into my willing soul.
Bring the presence of the risen Lord
To renew my heart and make me whole.
Cause Your Word to come alive in me;
Give me faith for what I cannot see;
Give me passion for Your purity.
Holy Spirit, breathe new life in me.

Holy Spirit, come abide within;
May Your joy be seen in all I do—
Love enough to cover ev'ry sin
In each thought and deed and attitude,
Kindness to the greatest and the least,
Gentleness that sows the path of peace.
Turn my striving into works of grace.
Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.

Holy Spirit, from creation's birth,
Giving life to all that God has made,
Show your power once again on earth;
Cause Your church to hunger for Your ways.
Let the fragrance of our prayers arise.
Lead us on the road of sacrifice
That in unity the face of Christ
Will be clear for all the world to see.

Benediction

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

2 CORINTHIANS

13:14

Just as God welcomed us into his presence at the beginning, now he blesses his children as we depart. We receive this blessing in faith as we trust God to do all he says he will do.

SERMON NOTES

SESSION

George Godwin	Allen Schmidt
Jeff Keith	Jay Suggs
Mike McMahan	Blake Temple
Brian Rodgers	Andy Thompson
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If this is your first time joining us, we would love to get to know you better. Please use the QR code to give us as much contact information as you are comfortable sharing. In this way, we reconnect with you and find ways that we may be able to serve you or pray for you.



Church Family Reminders

JOY Group Potluck:

Senior adults are invited to the JOY Group Potluck today, September 22, after the second service.

Wednesday Night Activities:

Wednesday nights are back! Dinner starts at 5:30 PM, with activities for all ages to follow.

Women's Fall Bible Studies:

Tuesday mornings at 10:00am in the Sedona classroom. Books are \$10.

Life Groups/Small Groups:

Grow spiritually in a Life Group or small group. Use the "interest card" or contact Pastor Rick Stark (rick@decaturpca.org) for more details.

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