

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

2 Corinthians 4:5

#### **SERVICE TIMES**

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

## ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

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

#### WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

5:30pm 6:00pm 6:15pm 6:30pm

Meal NextGen & Youth Adult Choir 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**: Jesus Messiah<sup>1</sup>

He became sin who knew no sin That we might become His righteousness He humbled Himself and carried the cross Love so amazing love so amazing

Jesus Messiah Name above all names Blessed Redeemer Emmanuel The Rescue for sinners The Ransom from heaven Jesus Messiah Lord of all

His body the bread His blood the wine Broken and poured out all for love The whole earth trembled and the veil was torn Love so amazing love so amazing

All our hope is in You All our hope is in You All the glory to You God The Light of the world

## Welcome & Announcements

Tucker Fleming, Youth Director

### **PSALM 95:1-3**

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

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

## **Call to Worship**

LEADER: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

# **PEOPLE:** Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

LEADER: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

# **Prayer of Adoration & Praise**

## **Hymn of Praise**: My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness; I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

On Christ, the solid rock, I stand; All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In every high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil.

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay.

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found; Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne.

## **Reading of the Word**

For thus says the Lord, who created the heavens (he is God!), who formed the earth and made it (he established it; he did not create it empty, he formed it to be inhabited!): "I am the Lord, and there is no other. I did not speak in secret, in a land of darkness; I did not say to the offspring of Jacob, 'Seek me in vain.' I the Lord speak the truth; I declare what is right. "Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together, you survivors of the nations! They have no knowledge who carry about their wooden idols, and keep on praying to a god that cannot save. Declare and present your case; let them take counsel together! Who told this long ago? Who declared it of old? Was it not I, the Lord? And there is no other god besides me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none besides me. "Turn to me and be saved, all the ends of the earth! For I am God, and there is no other."

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!** 

#### **Confession of Sin**

Our Father in Heaven, you see us as we are and know our inmost thoughts. We confess that we are unworthy of your gracious care. We forget that all life comes from you and that to you all life returns. We have not sought to do your will with our whole hearts. We have not lived as grateful children, nor loved as Christ loves us. Only your grace can sustain us. Lord, we turn to you for mercy. Set us free from our sin and restore us to the joy of your salvation

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

#### **Assurance of Forgiveness**

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. ISAIAH 45:18-22 The One, True God, Who Saves

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.

## 1 TIMOTHY 1:15-16

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

#### Christ Our Hope In Love And Death

What is our hope in life and death? Christ alone, Christ alone. What is our only confidence? That our souls to Him belong. Who holds our days within His hand? What comes, apart from His command? And what will keep us to the end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.

O sing hallelujah! Our hope springs eternal; O sing hallelujah! Now and ever we confess Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul? God is good, God is good. Where is His grace and goodness known? In our great Redeemer's blood. Who holds our faith when fears arise? Who stands above the stormy trial? Who sends the waves that bring us nigh Unto the shore, the rock of Christ?

Unto the grave, what shall we sing? "Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!" And what reward will heaven bring? Everlasting life with Him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, Then sin and death will be destroyed, And we will feast in endless joy, When Christ is ours forevermore.

#### In Christ Alone

In Christ Alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song; This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease! My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand. In Christ alone! Who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe! This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. Till on that cross, as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied, My every sin on Him was laid Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain: Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me; From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand; Till He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand!

#### **Revelation Song**

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 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 Jay Suggs

...Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen. (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.)

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

Only One Sermon Acts 4:1-22 (Page 911) Pastor Scott Phillips

## 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.)

## Give Me Jesus

In the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, in the morning when I rise, Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus. You can have all this world, just give me Jesus.

When I am alone, when I am alone, Oh when I am alone Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus. You can have all this world, give me Jesus.

When I come to die, when I come to die, Oh when I come to die, Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus. You can have all this world, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus, Give me Jesus, You can have all this world. You can have all this world. You can have all this world, just give me Jesus. 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.

## ZEPHANIAH 3:17

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.

# Benediction

The Lord your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; he will rejoice over you with gladness; he will quiet you by his love; he will exult over you with loud singing.

# SERMON NOTES

#### **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 Kris Olin Steve Sasser Sam Thompson David Whitcomb David Zajic

## **CHURCH STAFF**

Scott Phillips Rick Stark Tucker Fleming Stu Schieler Jesse Pawley Tonya Roth Jessica Keith Allison Seale Elena Suggs Senior Pastor Associate Pastor Youth Director Worship Director Administrative Director Office Administrator NextGen Coordinator Nursery Coordinator Kitchen Coordinator 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**

#### Wednesday Night Meals

Enjoy dinner with us! \$5/person or \$20/family. You can now scan a QR code to pay online. Leftovers will be boxed and set out at the coffee bar—grab them for FREE while they last!

#### **Missions Night & Pumpkin Painting**

Wednesday, October 16. Missions Night followed by Bible-themed pumpkin painting. Vote on your favorite pumpkins from 10/20-10/27. Prizes awarded at Fall Festival! Don't forget to bring your change for the Mission's Night cookie sale after dinner!

#### **Fall Festival**

Wednesday, October 30th at 5:30 PM. Free for everyone! Chili, live music, games, hayrides, and more. Bring a friend for this "Inviting EveryONE" event!

#### **Marriage Conference**

November 15-17, "Finders / KEEPERS: Finding the Marriage You Want, Enriching the Marriage You Have" will be hosted by Valley Presbyterian Church - Madison. Guest speaker is Dr. John Cox, a practicing Clinical Psychologist who also serves as Deacon Emeritus at First Presbyterian Church - Jackson, MS. Grab an invitation card in the Foyer of the church. Let's go!

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