# Decatur Presbyterian Church

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: Ecclesiastes

Room 167: Romans Room 168: Philippians

# WEDNESDAY **NIGHTS**

5:00pm

Soli Deo Gloria

5:30pm

Meal

6:00pm

NextGen & Youth

6:15pm 6:30pm 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:

### Christ Is Mine Forevermore<sup>1</sup>

Mine are days that God has numbered, I was made to walk with Him Yet I look for worldly treasure, And forsake the King of kings

But mine is hope in my Redeemer, Though I fall, his love is sure For Christ has paid for every failing, I am His forevermore

Mine are days here as a stranger, Pilgrim on a narrow way One with Christ I will encounter, Harm and hatred for his name

But mine is armour for this battle, Strong enough to last the war And he has said he will deliver, Safely to the golden shore

And mine are keys to Zion city, Where beside the King I walk For there my heart has found its treasure, Christ is mine forevermore

Come rejoice now, O my soul, For his love is my reward Fear is gone and hope is sure, Christ is mine forevermore!

### **Welcome & Announcements**

Pastor Scott Phillips, Senior Pastor

### REVELATION 5:11-13

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**

PASTOR: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice,

PEOPLE: "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"

PASTOR: And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying,

PEOPLE: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"

# **Prayer of Adoration & Praise**

# **Hymn of Praise**

# Savior, Like A Shepherd Lead Us

Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need thy tender care; in thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use thy folds prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!

Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus!

Thou hast bought us, thine we are.

We are thine, do thou befriend us, be the guardian of our way; keep thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.

Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be; thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free.

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus! Let us early turn to thee.
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# Reading of the Word

And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the commandments and statutes of the Lord, which I am commanding you today for your good? Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the heaven of heavens, the earth with all that is in it. Yet the Lord set his heart in love on your fathers and chose their offspring after them, you above all peoples, as you are this day. Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your heart, and be no longer stubborn. For the Lord your God is God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, the mighty, and the awesome God, who is not partial and takes no bribe. He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the sojourner, giving him food and clothing. Love the sojourner, therefore, for you were sojourners in the land of Egypt. You shall fear the Lord your God. You shall serve him and hold fast to him, and by his name you shall swear. He is your praise. He is your God, who has done for you these great and terrifying things that your eyes have seen.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

### **Confession of Sin**

O Lord, we seek your forgiveness, that we may know the joy of your presence, and the light of your face. Our love for you is weak, and we worship you halfheartedly. We have been selfish and have not thought of the needs of our neighbors. Forgive us, for our ingratitude, our neglect of prayer, our carelessness toward others. O God, have mercy upon us. Create in us clean hearts, and renew a right spirit within us, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord

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

# **Assurance of Forgiveness**

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.

### **DEUTERONOMY**

10:12-21

What the Lord Requires

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.

# **TITUS 3:4-6**

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

### Goodness of God

I love You, Lord, Oh, Your mercy never fails me All my days, I've been held in Your hands From the moment that I wake up, Until I lay my head Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

And all my life You have been faithful And all my life You have been so, so good With every breath that I am able Oh, I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice, You have led me through the fire And in darkest night You are close like no other I've known You as a Father, I've known You as a Friend And I have lived in the goodness of God, yeah

'Cause Your goodness is running after, it's running after me Your goodness is running after, it's running after me With my life laid down, I'm surrendered now I give You everything, 'Cause Your goodness is running after, it keeps running after me

# My Worth Is Not In What I Own

My worth is not in what I own; Not in the strength of flesh and bone But in the costly wounds of love, At the cross

My worth is not in skill or name In win or lose, in pride or shame But in the blood of Christ that flowed, At the cross

I rejoice in my Redeemer, Greatest Treasure, Wellspring of my soul, I will trust in Him, no other. My soul is satisfied in Him alone.

Two wonders here that I confess My worth and my unworthiness My value fixed - my ransom paid At the cross

### He Will Hold Me Fast

When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me fast. When the tempter would prevail, He will hold me fast. I could never keep my hold through life's fearful path. For my love is often cold, He must hold me fast.

He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast. For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

Those He saves are His delight, Christ will hold me fast. Precious in His holy sight, He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be lost, His promises shall last. Bought by Him at such a cost, He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me fast. Justice has been satisfied, He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to endless life, He will hold me fast Till our faith is turned to sight, when He comes at last. 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**

Pastor Rick Stark

...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, 4-6 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

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

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

Overcome Obstacles to Worship Acts 6:1-7 (Page 914) Pastor Scott Phillips

**His Tithes & Offerings** 

conclusion of the service.)

Jesus gave the Church this symbolic washing to communicate his willingness to forgive sins and his promise of new spiritual life through the Holy Spirit poured out on all who respond with faith.

(10:45 service)

# The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

John Mark Reuel Rodgers Covenant Child of Brian and Julie Rodgers Ruling Elder Prayer, Mike McMahan

# 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.)

# Glorify Thy Name

Father, we love You, We worship and adore You, Glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name in all the earth!

Jesus, we love You, We worship and adore You, Glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name in all the earth!

Spirit, we love You, We worship and adore You, Glorify Thy name in all the earth. Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name, Glorify Thy name in all the earth! 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.

# JUDE 24-25

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**

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

# SERMON NOTES

### SESSION

George Godwin Jeff Keith Mike McMahan Brian Rodgers Connor Ross Allen Schmidt Jay Suggs Blake Temple Andy Thompson Chip Walraven 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.

### **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

# **Church Family Reminders**

### **Marriage Conference**

Valley Presbyterian Church is hosting a relationship conference with Dr. John Cox on November 15th (6-9 PM) and November 16th (9 AM-noon). Whether you're single, married, or widowed, this conference will help you strengthen your relationships. Find the registration link in the Thursday email.

### **Operation Christmas Child**

DPC is participating in Operation Christmas Child! Pick up a shoebox from the Gathering Room, fill it with quality items, and return it by November 20th. For questions, contact Mary Chism (maebelle12@att.net). Let's spread the love of Christ this Christmas!

### **NextGen Caroling**

NextGen families, mark your calendars for December 1st! We will have pizza at church, then carol and serve cookies at Presbyterian Towers at 1:00 PM. A joyful way for children to serve and bless others!

### **Christmas Cantata**

Join us December 8 at 5 p.m. as the DPC Choir presents a Christmas Cantata, leading us through the story of Christ's birth. Reception with hors d'oeuvres to follow. Bring friends for a joyful evening of worship and celebration!

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