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: Judges

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Meal

5:00pm

Soli Deo Gloria

5:30pm 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:

Jesus, Lover Of My Soul¹

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly, While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high: Hide me, O my Savior, hide, till life's storm is past; Safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last!

Other refuge have I none, I helpless hang on Thee, Leave, oh leave me not alone, still support and comfort me! All my trust on Thee is stayed, all help from Thee I bring; Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of Thy wing.

Thou, O Christ, are all I want; here more than all I find: Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, Heal the sick, and lead the blind. Just and holy is Thy name; I am all unrighteousness; False and full of sin I am, Thou art full of truth and grace.

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin; Let the healing streams abound; Make and keep me pure within. Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of Thee; Spring Thou up within my heart, for all eternity.

Welcome & Announcements

Tucker Fleming, Youth Director

Report of the Living Church

Faye Temple, Nursery Ministry

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Revelation 5:11-13

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

Call to Worship

PASTOR: Then I looked, and I heard around the throne, the living creatures and elders and the voice of angels, myriads and myriads, 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 saying,

PEOPLE: To Him who sits of the throne be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever.

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

All Creatures Of Our God And King

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing O praise Him! Allelujah! Thou, Burning sun with golden beam. Thou, silver moon with softer gleam.

O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelu-jah!

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness O praise Him! Allelujah!

Praise, Praise the Father, praise the Son.

And praise the Spirit, Three-in-one.

O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelu-jah!

All the redeemed washed by His blood, Come and rejoice in His great love.

O praise Him! Allelujah!

Christ has defeated every sin.

Cast all your burdens now on Him.

O praise Him! O praise Him! Allelujah! Allelujah! Allelu-jah!

Reading of the Word

I shall not die, but I shall live and recount the deeds of the Lord. The Lord has disciplined me severely, but he has not given me over to death. Open to me the gates of righteousness, that I may enter through them and give thanks to the Lord. This is the gate of the Lord; the righteous shall enter through it. I thank you that you have answered me and have become my salvation. The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes. This is the day that the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it. Save us, we pray, O Lord! O Lord, we pray, give us success!

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Gracious Lord, we confess that we dishonor you in our words, thoughts and deeds. Depending on our strength, we stumble. Trusting in our own righteousness, we reject you. We pray now, Lord, for you to forgive all of our many sins; to cleanse the darkness from our lives, and to turn our faces and our hearts back toward you

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

PSALM 118:17-25

The Rejected Cornerstone Brings

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

PSALM 103:10-12

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

All My Boast Is In Jesus

What wonder of wonders, what love is this That Christ would die for me? His goodness, His merit, His righteousness This sinner's only plea O foolish pride, be crucified The work is finished

Now fully forgiven, my life is filled With graces undeserved For mercy that flowed down that sacred hill Let praises now return

Rise up my soul, and bless the Lord Who else is worthy?

All my boast is in Jesus All my hope is His love And I will glory forever In what the cross has done

O praise the One forever blessed Him alone my heart adores And I will boast in nothing less Than the love of Christ my Lord

I boast not in riches, in strength or might
But in the grace of God
I glory in weakness, to live is Christ
In plenty or in want
That I may know, that all may see His pow'r within me

All my boast is in Jesus All my hope is His love And I will glory forever In what the cross has done Now I stand in this freedom Ransomed, clean in His sight And I cannot be ashamed for My boast is Jesus Christ

Mighty To Save

Everyone needs compassion, A love that's never failing Let mercy fall on me. Everyone needs forgiveness, The kindness of a Savior, The Hope of nations.

Savior, He can move the mountains; My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave; Jesus conquered the grave

Shine your light and let the whole world see We're singing for the glory of the risen King. Jesus! Shine your light and let the whole world see We're singing for the glory of the risen King.

Through The Precious Blood

You have ordained every breath we take In pleasure or pain, there is no mistake Gladness and grief, both are in Your hands And sufferings brief carry out Your plan And our fleeting sorrows Will yield an endless prize When some bright tomorrow We'll see You with our eyes, and

Grace upon grace flows down, flows down And Grace upon grace flows down, flows down Through the precious blood of Christ

Father of lights, Giver of all grace Your mercies crown our lives all our days River of Life, quench our thirsty souls For no true delight does Your love withhold And in every season We are satisfied For just one reason Christ was crucified, and

All good gifts, every good thing, Comes to us freely, so freely All good gifts, every good thing, Comes to us freely, so freely Through the precious blood, Through the precious blood 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 Andy Thompson

...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 conclusion of the service.)

Singing to the Lord

Grace Through Faith Kids of the King

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

Reason to Believe in Jesus Acts 13:13-52 (Page 921) 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.)

Search Me, Know Me

Search me, know me, try me and see Every worthless affection hidden in me. All I'm asking for Is that You'd cleanse me, Lord.

Create in me a heart that's clean, Conquer the power of secret shame, Come wash away the guilty stain Of all my sin.

Clothe me in robes of righteousness, Cover my nakedness with grace All of my life before You now I humbly bring. 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.

ROMANS 15:13

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

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.

SERMON NOTES

SESSION

George Godwin Jeff Keith Mike McMahan Brian Rodgers Connor Ross

Allen Schmidt Jason Seale Jay Suggs Blake Temple Andy Thompson If this is your first time joining us, we would love to get to know you better. Please use then 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 Braden Ladner Wade Littrell Scott Missildine

Bill Nelson

Kris Olin William Sasser Sam Thompson David Whitcomb David Zaiic

CHURCH STAFF

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Senior Pastor Associate Pastor Tucker Fleming Youth Director Worship Director Administrative Director Office Administrator NextGen Coordinator Nursery Coordinator Kitchen Coordinator

CHURCH FAMILY REMINDERS

No Wednesday Night Activities

Due to our Spring Break schedule, there will be no Wednesday Night Activities on 3/12. All mid-week activities, including the meal, will resume on 3/19. Have a blessed week!

Dominican Republic Trip

Be part of what God is doing in the DR! Join us for an informational meeting today after the second service in the Parlor. Serve alongside our team June 3-10, 2025, as we share the love of Christ and build meaningful connections. Registration closes March 31. Register online.

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