



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

*2 Corinthians 4:5*

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September 14, 2025

## ***SUNDAY TIMES***

7:45am	Prayer
8:15am	Worship
9:30am	Sunday School
10:45am	Worship

## ***ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES***

Room 158: Hebrews

Room 167: Ecclesiastes

Room 168: The Heart of Worship

Parlor/Rm 115: College & Career

## ***WEDNESDAY NIGHTS***

5:00pm	Soli Deo Gloria
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:

### All Is Mine<sup>1</sup>

I've read the words, I've heard them sung,  
The love of God became my own  
My Savior entered, pure and free  
Took all my debts and paid their fee

Now found and mended, heirs of life  
Through the One, who came to die  
We trust our future is secure  
Once beggars, now no longer poor

*And all is mine, that is the Son's  
Purchased for me by His blood  
And I have all, that heaven requires  
His righteousness, my sin dismissed, so all is mine*

From lost and ruined, heirs of death  
To fully loved and richly blessed  
What now in part we soon shall see  
The love of Jesus guaranteed

With fear and sorrow pressing in  
I rest my hopes again on Him  
Sealed by the Spirit, from the first  
Held by the One who keeps his word

## Welcome & Announcements

Tucker Fleming, Youth Director

## ***Psalm 67:1-5***

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

## **Call to Worship**

**LEADER:** May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us.

**PEOPLE:** **That your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations.**

**LEADER:** Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!

**PEOPLE:** **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth.**

**ALL:** **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!**

## **Prayer of Adoration & Praise**

## **Hymn of Praise**

### **Come Christians Join To Sing**

Come, Christians join to sing, Alleluia! Amen!

Loud praise to Christ our King; Alleluia! Amen!

Let all, with heart and voice, before His throne rejoice;

Praise is His gracious choice, Alleluia! Amen!

Come, lift your hearts on high, Alleluia! Amen!

Let praises fill the sky; Alleluia! Amen!

He is our Guide and Friend; to us He'll condescend;

His love shall never end, Alleluia! Amen!

Praise yet our Christ again, Alleluia! Amen!

Life shall not end the strain; Alleluia! Amen!

On heaven's blissful shore, His goodness we'll adore,

Singing forevermore, Alleluia! Amen!

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

## Reading of the Word

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot. You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea. You will show faithfulness to Jacob and steadfast love to Abraham, as you have sworn to our fathers from the days of old.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God!**

## *Micah 7:18-20*

A God Like Ours

## Confession of Sin

**Our Heavenly Father, we long for you to be slow to anger and quick to compassion while we allow ourselves to hold angry grudges and act as judges over those whom we deem our inferiors. You delight in steadfast love, but we want others to earn our affections. For Christ's sake, pardon our sin, and let us know your abundant mercy until our hearts are reformed to reflect your kindness toward us**

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

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.

## Assurance of Forgiveness

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. 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 103:8-12*

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**

## **Living Hope**

How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation, I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness, Your lovingkindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished, the end is written  
Jesus Christ, my living hope

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free*

*Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me*

*You have broken every chain*

*There's salvation in Your name*

*Jesus Christ, my living hope*

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Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me  
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Declared the grave has no claim on me  
Jesus, Yours is the victory, woah-oh-oh

## All I Have Is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night, Yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life, Had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own, A rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first, I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, Indifferent to the cost  
You looked upon my helpless state, And led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed, You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me, Now all I know is grace

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone, And live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands,  
Could never come from me

O Father, use my ransomed life, In any way You choose  
And let my song forever be, My only boast is You

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ, Hallelujah! Jesus is my life!*

## The Power Of The Cross

Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day.  
Christ on the road to Calvary.  
Tried by sinful men, torn and beaten then.  
Nailed to a cross of wood.

Oh to see the pain written on Your face.  
Bearing the awesome weight of sin.  
Ev'ry bitter thought, ev'ry evil deed  
Crowning Your bloodstained brow.

*This, the pow'r of the cross.  
Christ became sin for us.  
Took the blame, bore the wrath.  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

Now the daylight flees, now the ground beneath  
Quakes as its maker bows His head.  
Curtain torn in two, dead are raised to life.  
"Finished!" the vict'ry cry.

Oh to see my name written in Your wounds,  
For through Your suffering I am free.  
Death is crushed to death, life is mine to live,  
Won through Your selfless love!

*This the pow'r of the cross.  
Son of God slain for us.  
What a life, what a cost.  
We stand forgiven at the cross.*

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

**...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.)*

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

Out There and In Here  
Colossians 1:1-8 (Page 983)  
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.)*

## Behold the Lamb

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,  
Slain for us: and we remember  
The promise made that all who come in faith  
Find forgiveness at the cross.  
So we share in this Bread of Life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of peace  
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior, Jesus Christ,  
Torn for you: eat and remember  
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life,  
Paid the price to make us one.  
So we share in this Bread of Life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of love  
Around the table of the King.

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.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,  
Shed for you: drink and remember  
He drained death's cup that all may enter in  
To receive the life of God.  
So we share in this Bread of Life,  
And we drink of His sacrifice,  
As a sign of our bonds of grace  
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise  
To respond: and to remember.  
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ  
As His body here on earth.  
As we share in His suffering,  
We proclaim: Christ will come again!  
And we'll join in the feast of heaven  
Around the table of the King.

*from*

***Philippians 1:9-11***

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 your love abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God!

# ***SERMON NOTES***

## ***SESSION***

George Godwin	Allen Schmidt
Jeff Keith	Jason Seale
Mike McMahan	Jay Suggs
Brian Rodgers	Blake Temple
Connor Ross	Andy Thompson

## ***DIACONATE***

John Elder	Kris Olin
James Fudge	William Sasser
Braden Ladner	Sam Thompson
Wade Littrell	David Whitcomb
Scott Missildine	David Zajic
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## ***CHURCH STAFF***

Scott Phillips	Senior Pastor
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If this is your first time joining us, we'd love to get to know you better. If you're willing, please scan the QR code and share a little about yourself. This helps us follow up, answer any questions you might have, and find ways we can serve or pray for you.



## ***CHURCH FAMILY REMINDERS***

### **WIC Kickoff**

All women are invited to a luncheon on Sunday, September 14th, immediately following the second worship service. We will introduce the women's ministries and activities kicking off this fall, while enjoying good fellowship and good food!

### **Formed: Israel**

Join us Friday, September 26 from 6–9 PM as we trace the story of Israel through Scripture and consider what God's promises mean for His people today. Come and bring a friend for an evening of biblical clarity and hope in Christ.

### **Hospitality Week – Sept 28–Oct 4**

Hospitality Week is a chance to share a meal and connect with another family from DPC. One family hosts and provides the main dish, the other brings sides or dessert. Register online by Sept 24 so we can make pairings!

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