



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

2 Corinthians 4:5

January 18, 2026

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

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:

Hymn Of Heaven¹

How I long to breathe the air of Heaven
Where pain is gone and mercy fills the streets;
To look upon the One Who bled to save me,
And walk with Him for all eternity.

*There will be a day when all will bow before Him.
There will be a day when death will be no more,
Standing face to face with He Who died and rose again.
Holy, holy is the Lord.*

And every prayer we prayed in desperation,
The songs of faith we sang through doubt and fear,
In the end we'll see that it was worth it
When He returns to wipe away our tears.

And on that day we join the resurrection
And stand beside the heroes of the faith,
With one voice a thousand generations sing,
"Worthy is the Lamb Who was slain."
Forever He shall reign!

*So let it be today, we shout the hymn of heaven.
With angels and the saints, we raise a mighty roar.
Glory to our God, Who gave us life beyond the grave.
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Welcome & Announcements

Tucker Fleming, Youth Director

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Psalm 47:5-9

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

Call to Worship

LEADER: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

PEOPLE: Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

ALL: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

LEADER: God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne.

PEOPLE: The princes of the peoples gather as the people of the God of Abraham.

ALL: For the shields of the earth belong to God; he is highly exalted.

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

Hymn of Praise

The Church's One Foundation

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the Word;
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her and for her life he died.

Elect from every nation, yet one o'er all the earth.
Her charter of salvation, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest,
And the great church victorious shall be the church at rest.

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won;
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

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

“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth, and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days, or an old man who does not fill out his days, for the young man shall die a hundred years old, and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity, for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the Lord, and their descendants with them. Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox, and dust shall be the serpent's food. They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,” says the Lord.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

ISAIAH 65:17-25

New Heavens and New Earth

Confession of Sin

O merciful God, we need your deliverance and healing. Some of our sins are plain to us; some escape us; and some we think we cannot face; but you know them all. Give us true repentance, we pray; and forgive us. Set us free to hear Your Word to us; set us free from sin to love and serve you with our whole hearts

...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

He will swallow up death forever; and the Lord God will wipe away tears from all faces, and the reproach of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, “Behold, this is our God; we have waited for him, that he might save us. This is the Lord; we have waited for him; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.”

Isaiah 25:8-9

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

Come Ye Sinners

Come ye sinners, poor and needy,
Weak and wounded, sick and sore;
Jesus ready, stands to save you
Full of pity, love and pow'r.

*I will arise and go to Jesus,
He will embrace me in his arms;
In the arms of my dear savior,
O, there are ten thousand charms.*

Come, ye thirsty, come, and welcome,
God's free bounty glorify;
True belief and true repentance,
Every grace that brings you nigh.

Come, ye weary, heavy laden,
Lost and ruined by the fall;
If you tarry 'til you're better,
You will never come at all.

Lo! the incarnate God ascended
Pleads the merit of his blood.
Venture on him, venture wholly,
Let no other trust intrude.

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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

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of Kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever
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
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Jesus, Yours is the victory, woah-oh-oh

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.

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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving & Petition

Elder George Godwin

(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.)

His Tithes & Offerings

Sermon

That Day

Revelation 21:1-8, 21:22-27; 22:1-5 (Page 1041)

Jesse Pawley

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.)

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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.

Revelation 22:20-21

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

He who testifies to these things says, “Surely I am coming soon.” Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all. Amen.

SERMON NOTES

SESSION

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

DIACONATE

John Elder	Kris Olin
James Fudge	William Sasser
Braden Ladner	Sam Thompson
Wade Littrell	David Whitcomb
Scott Missildine	David Zajic
Bill Nelson	

CHURCH STAFF

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Elena Suggs	Kitchen Coordinator

Men's & Women's Bible Studies



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

Officer Elections & One Service

The elders have called a congregational meeting to be held immediately after worship today for the sole purpose of electing men to the office of Ruling Elder and Deacon. We will have one service at 10:45 (Sunday School will take place at its regular time).

J.O.Y. Luncheon

Join us today, January 18, immediately following our congregational meeting, for our J.O.Y. Luncheon. Kim Ingram will share about her experience with "Hope Heals Camp." Bring a favorite dish and enjoy fellowship as we welcome 2026 together.

Presbyterian 101

Curious about what it means to be Presbyterian? Join us for a weekly class exploring who we are and our distinctives. Sundays at 9:30 AM in the Parlor.

Man Night

Men (16+) are invited to another Iron Man Night on Friday, January 30th, 6:00pm - 8:00pm, at Mallard Stables (2323 8th Street SE, Decatur). Meat and drinks will be provided (or bring your own favorite beverage), and we ask that you bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share. For questions, reach to Pastor Rick Stark (rick@decaturpca.org, 334.728.1409)

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