



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

September 13, 2026

SUNDAY TIMES

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

- Room 158: Proverbs
- Room 167: Ecclesiastes
- Room 168: Romans

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

5:00pm	Soli Deo Gloria Choir
5:30pm	Meal
6:00pm	NextGen Choir
6:30pm	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:

Here I Am To Worship ¹

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness,
Opened my eyes, let me see.
Beauty that made this heart adore You,
Hope of a life spent with You.

*Here I am to worship; here I am to bow down,
Here I am to say that You're my God.
You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy,
Altogether wonderful to me.*

King of all days, oh so highly exalted.
Glorious in heaven above.
Humbly you came to the earth You created.
All for love's sake became poor.
I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross.

Welcome & Announcements

Jesse Pawley, Administrative Director

Report of the Living Church

Veronna Keen, Sav-A-Life

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Psalm 34:1-3

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: I will bless the Lord at all times; his praise shall
continually be in my mouth.

PEOPLE: **My soul makes its boast in the Lord; let the
humble hear and be glad.**

ALL: **Oh, magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt his
name together!**

Prayer of Adoration & Praise

Hymn of Praise

All Hail The Power of Jesus' Name

All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name!

Let angels prostrate fall;

Bring forth the royal diadem,

And crown Him Lord of all; *(Repeat)*

Ye chosen seed of Israel's race,

Ye ransomed of the fall,

Hail Him who saves you by His grace,

And crown Him Lord of all. *(Repeat)*

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,

On this terrestrial ball,

To Him all majesty ascribe,

And crown Him Lord of all; *(Repeat)*

Reading of the Word

Behold my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my Spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God!

Confession of Sin

Our Father, forgive our sins. We have not practiced justice, preferring to promote ourselves rather than to serve humbly. We have not loved Your law but transgressed it. We have neglected the wounded and weak, but You have pursued us, even to the point of death. Show us the humility of our Savior, and lead us in His ways

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

Assurance of Forgiveness

He was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned—every one—to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Isaiah 42:1-4

Humble and Effective

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.

Isaiah 53:5-6

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.

Atonement

Atonement means “repairing a broken relationship.” Because sin broke our relationship with God, Christ's death on the cross is an atonement to repair that relationship. Different facets of atonement are seen in words like rescue, ransom, and redemption. Christ's atonement for us is central to Christian faith, so every element of our worship celebrates it.

Psalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs

Jesus Messiah

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

King Of Kings

In the darkness we were waiting,
Without hope, without light
'Till from Heaven You came running,
There was mercy in Your eyes.
To fulfill the law and prophets,
To a virgin came the Word
From a throne of endless glory, to a cradle in the dirt.
To reveal the kingdom coming, and to reconcile the lost
To redeem the whole creation,
You did not despise the cross.
For even in Your suffering, You saw to the other side
Knowing this was our salvation,
Jesus for our sake You died.
*Praise the Father, praise the Son,
Praise the Spirit, three in one
God of Glory, majesty, praise forever to the King of Kings.*

And the morning that You rose,
All of heaven held its breath
'Till that stone was moved for good,
For the Lamb had conquered death.
And the dead rose from their tombs,
And the angels stood in awe
For the souls of all who'd come, to the Father are restored.

And the Church of Christ was born,
Then the Spirit lit the flame
Now this Gospel truth of old,
Shall not kneel, shall not faint.
By His blood and in His name,
In His freedom I am free
For the love of Jesus Christ,
Who has resurrected me.

How Deep The Father's Love For Us

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss,
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen
One bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon the cross,
My sin upon His shoulders,
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life;
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in any thing, no gifts,
No pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer,
But this I know with all my heart,
His wounds have paid my ransom.

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 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.)

His Tithes & Offerings

Sermon

Being on the Same Page
Philippians 2:1-11 (Page 980)
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.)

Take My Life

Take my life and let it be consecrated, Lord, to Thee;
Take my moments and my days,
Let them flow in ceaseless praise;
Take my hands and let them move
At the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be swift and beautiful for Thee;
Take my voice and let me sing, always, only for my King.
Take my lips and let them be filled
With messages from Thee;
Take my silver and my gold, not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use every pow'r as You choose.

*Here am I, all of me. Take my life, it's all for Thee.
Take myself and I will be ever, only all for Thee.*

Take my will and make it Thine, it shall be no longer mine;
Take my heart, it is Thine own, it shall be Thy royal throne.
Take my love, my Lord

I pour at Your feet its treasure store;
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.
Take myself and I will be ever, only, all for Thee.

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.

2 Corinthians 13:14

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 grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

SERMON NOTES

SESSION

John Elder	Jason Seale
George Godwin	Greg Smith
Jeff Keith	Stuart Smith
Mike McMahan	Jay Suggs
Connor Ross	Blake Temple
Allen Schmidt	Andy Thompson

DIACONATE

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

CHURCH STAFF

Scott Phillips	Senior Pastor
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Jordan Littrell

For those that would like to send a letter or card to Jordan & Leigh Littrell during their Houston stay, the address is:

Jordan Littrell
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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

Women's Fall Kickoff Lunch

WIC Kickoff Lunch, today, Sept 13, directly after church. Come eat and fellowship with other women and learn about what we have planned for the coming year!

J.O.Y. Luncheon

Please join us on Sunday, Sept 20, immediately following worship service. Bring your favorite dessert. The meal will be catered so be sure to RSVP. For more information, contact Liz Olin (256.221.4270).

Bridal Shower

Join us in celebrating Marley Schmid & Shawn Diehl with a Bridal Shower on September 27th from 1:00-3:00pm! As they prepare for their wedding on October 10, 2026, let's bless them with gifts from their registry. You can find their registry at TheKnot.com. The shower will be held at Vicki Stephenson's home at 3709 Woodtrail Rd. SW. Thank you for helping us shower this couple with love and support!

Iron Man Retreat

"Every man dies; not every man really lives" – William Wallace. So what does it mean, the pursuit to "really live"? Come join us to find out at the Iron Man Retreat, October 2-3 (Friday night – Saturday afternoon) at The Vision Retreat Center, Huntsville. Register now on our website A \$75 registration fee covers room, meals, activities, and swag.

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