



Welcome to our church!

We're glad you're here! We hope you experience the warmth and welcome of Christ our Savior in this community.



If this is your first time visiting, please fill out a **Visitor's Card**, we would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please visit **tcpca.org/visitor** or scan the QR code to the left with your smartphone camera, or fill out the Visitor Card in your pew and place it in the Offering bowl.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“Some things have to be believed to be seen.”

- Madeleine L'Engle

COVER ARTWORK

Flower Pot with Asters

Vincent van Gogh

1886, Paris

Liturgy Notes

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column answers the “what” and “why” of each element of our liturgy.

Call to Worship

The Call to Worship is traditionally the first element in a Christian liturgy, serving as the moment of consecration. God’s Word is used to invite us into the sacred time of corporate worship, and we respond with our voices as an answer to His call.

Congregational Singing

A unique aspect of Christian worship is that we sing together. Our singing is an expression of love for God and joy in His gospel. Singing strong hymns grounded in the truths of our theology raises our eyes from awe of the created to awe of the Creator. Scripture commands us to sing. Beautiful voices are not required, but a community joining together to sing truth and to sing it with passion and conviction is beautiful to our God.

Order of Worship

July 3, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship

LEADER: We will greatly rejoice in the LORD; our souls shall exult in our God,

PEOPLE: for He has clothed us with the garments of salvation;

LEADER: He has covered us with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,

PEOPLE: and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

LEADER: For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.

Hymn of Rejoicing *In Christ Alone*

Keith Getty | Stuart Townend

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In Christ alone my hope is found
He is my light my strength my song
This Cornerstone this solid Ground
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love what depths of peace
When fears are stilled when strivings cease
My Comforter my All in All
Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone who took on flesh
Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones He came to save
Till on that cross as Jesus died
The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid
Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory

Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine
Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life no fear in death
This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath
Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

*No power of hell no scheme of man
Can ever pluck me from His hand
Till He returns or calls me home
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand*

Welcome & Announcements

Membership Vows

9:00 - Emma Forsyth, Brandon & Ashley Gish, and Bill Yackey

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 1:20-31 (Pew Bible p. 952)

LEADER: All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall...

PEOPLE: ...but the Word of the Lord stands forever.

Confession of God's People

UNISON: Almighty and merciful God, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those who confess their faults.

Restore those who are penitent, according to Your promises declared to the world in Christ Jesus, our Lord. And grant, O merciful God, for His sake, that we may live a holy, just, and humble life to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

- *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

Confession of God's People

In the Confession of Sin we humbly agree with Scripture's claim that all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. This is the most honest moment of our week, as we confess our sin and shame together. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and individually through a moment of silence for private confession.

Repentance of God's People

Our time of confession becomes a time of fresh commitment through corporate repentance. Together we boldly turn from all evil and offer our lives again to God. Only say these words if you are indeed willing to repent of your sins.

Assurance of God's Pardon

Confession and repentance is always met with the surety of God's grace. The minister proclaims to the penitent community words of pardon from Scripture, assuring our hearts of the grace that is already ours in Christ Jesus.

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Has your strength failed you?

PEOPLE: Always

LEADER: Has your Savior failed you?

PEOPLE: Never

LEADER: Will you return to Him as your only hope?

PEOPLE: We will

Assurance of God's Pardon from Colossians 1:13-14

LEADER: He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sin.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

Hymn of Renewal *Jesus Strong And Kind*

Colin Buchanan | Michael Farren | Jonny Robinson | Rich Thompson
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Jesus said that if I thirst I should come to Him
No one else can satisfy I should come to Him

Jesus said if I am weak I should come to Him
No one else can be my strength I should come to Him

REFRAIN:

**For the Lord is good and faithful He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus Jesus strong and kind**

Jesus said That if I fear I should come to Him
No one else can be my shield I should come to Him (**REFRAIN**)

Jesus said if I am lost He will come to me
And He showed me on that cross He will come to me (**REFRAIN**)

Confession of Faith The Apostles Creed

UNISON: I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic[†] Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

† Worldwide communion of faith, past, present, and future.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heav'nly hosts; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; Amen.

Offertory Prayer

Hymn of Preparation *If You Will Trust in God to Guide You* (Music on p.10)

Text & Music: Georg Neumark, 1657
tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863

If you will trust in God to guide you
And place your confidence in Him
You'll find Him always there beside you
To give you hope and strength within
For those who trust God's changeless love
Build on the rock that will not move

In patient trust await His leisure
In cheerful hope, with heart content
To take whate'er your Father's pleasure
And all discerning love have sent
Doubt not your inmost wants are known
To Him who chose you for his own

Sing pray and keep His ways unswerving
Offer your service faithfully
And trust His Word though undeserving
You'll find His promise true to be
God never will forsake in need
The soul that trusts in Him indeed
God never will forsake in need

6 *The soul that trusts in Him indeed*

Confession of Faith

We confess together the convictional truths of orthodoxy by reciting the ancient creeds of our faith. We share these words with saints throughout the centuries as well as those throughout the world today. This also serves as a bold proclamation to the watching world of what we believe is true.

Offering

The offering is received, not merely as a way to pay the bills, but as an act of worship. In response to the God from whom all blessings flow, we give freely, joyfully, and sacrificially to His beloved bride, the Church.

GOspel STORYTIME

At this time, children ages 4 - Kindergarten may be dismissed to Room 103 for prayer, singing, and a lesson from the Gospel Story Bible. They will return to the Sanctuary at the end of the sermon to be with their families during Communion.

Scripture Reading Proverbs 3:1-12 (Pew Bible p. 528)

LEADER: The Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Luke Rakestraw

“What Has God to Do with Proverbs?”

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE:

You will be released from your pew to come forward and receive the communion elements, and we will take the elements together once everyone has been served.

Words of Institution

MINISTER: Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

UNISON: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ shall come again!

MINISTER: I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when He was betrayed took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it, and said, “This is my body which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.” In the same way, after supper, He took the cup saying, “This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.” For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until He comes.

Holy Communion

Mercy Offering

Sermon

The preaching of God’s Word in the context of holy worship is the primary means of God’s voice to His people. Our trust is not in the ability of the preacher, but in the promise that God, by His Spirit working in and through His word, is speaking to us in exceptional ways. Therefore, we open our minds and hearts to the uniquely formative power of ordained preaching.

Communion

The sacrament of the Lord’s Supper is a holy ordinance, wherein Christ and his gospel are represented and applied to His people. Though the bread and wine are not literally the body and blood of Jesus, this meal is far more than a sentimental reminder. It is spiritual nourishment to our souls and a means of growth in His grace. Communion is the family meal of Christians, and all followers of Jesus who are in good standing with His Church are invited to partake.

Hymn of Response *Rock Of Ages* (Music on Page 11)

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Rock of Ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in thee
Let the water and the blood
From thy wounded side which flowed
Be of sin the double cure
Cleanse me from its guilt and power

Not the labors of my hands
Can fulfill thy law's demands
Could my zeal no respite know
Could my tears forever flow
All for sin could not atone
Thou must save and thou alone

Nothing in my hand I bring
Simply to the cross I cling
Naked come to thee for dress
Helpless look to thee for grace
Foul I to the fountain fly
Wash me Savior or I die

While I draw this fleeting breath
When my eyelids close in death
When I soar to worlds unknown
See thee on thy judgment throne
Rock of ages cleft for me
Let me hide myself in thee

Benediction

MINISTER: Go love your God; **PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.**



Giving Report

For more information, visit tcpca.org/give.

May Giving: \$156,629
May Goal: \$228,283
Difference: -\$71,654

Total FY Giving (Oct-May): \$1,766,381
Giving Goal (Oct-May): \$1,762,702
Difference: +\$3,679

Prayer Chain

If you would like to share prayer requests with our church prayer chain, we would love to pray for you. Please feel free to send an email to:

Kathryn Lyon
KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley
janetjwhitley@gmail.com

Announcements

Summer Nursery Schedule

The nursery will be operating on a summer schedule through August 14th. The nursery will be available for the 9:00 service and closed for the 11:15 service. Gospel Story Time will continue to be offered during both 9:00 and 11:15 services.

Tuesday Fellowship Nights Start July 12 *(formerly called Tuesday Fun Night)*

This summer we will host four Tuesday evening events for EVERYONE in our church and community (this event was formerly just for kids but now is open to everyone). The dates will be July 12, 19, 26, and August 2 from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Dinner will be provided (please RSVP!) and there will be activities for kids of all ages. To help us have an accurate count for food, scan this QR code to RSVP. For more information email Nicole Dorton at ndorton@tcpca.org



Mom's Day Out Teacher Positions Open

TCPC's Mom's Day Out program is looking for teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. These positions are perfect for college students or others who have experience with kids and would like part-time work. Moms who teach may enroll their children in the program free of charge. Teacher hours are 8:00am -1:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Nicole Dorton (ndorton@tcpca.org) for more information.

Churchwide Kickball League

We are excited to host another TCPC Summer Kickball League this year! The games will be played July 17, 24, and 31, with the tournament on August 7. Teams should have at least 10 players but no more than 15, and each team must include at least two female players. If you already have a team assembled, or if you want to be assigned to a team, register online at tcpca.org/kickball! Email questions to Luke Rakestraw at lrakestraw@tcpca.org.

If You Will Trust in God to Guide You

Text & Music: Georg Neumark, 1657

tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1863

1.If you will trust in God to guide you
2.In pa - tient and trust a - wait His lei - sure,
3.Sing, pray, and keep His ways un - swerv - ing,

and place your con - fi - dence in Him,
in cheer - ful hope, with heart con - tent
of - fer your ser - vice faith - ful - ly,

you'll find Him al - ways there be - side you,
to take what e'er - your Fa - ther's plea - sure
and trust His Word; though un - de - serv - ing,

to give you dis - hope and strength with - in.
and all - your cern - ing love have - sent.
you'll find His pro - mise true to be.

For those who trust in God's change - less love
Doubt not your - er will for - sake in known
God nev - er will for - sake in need

build on the rock that you chose that will not move.
to Him who that trusts in Him his in - deed.
the soul that trusts in Him in - deed.

Rock Of Ages

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1. Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in Thee;
2. Not the la - bors of my hands can ful - fill Thy law's de - mands;
3. Noth - ing in my hand I bring, sim - ply to Thy cross I cling;
4. While I draw this fleet - ing breath, when mine eye - lids close in death,



let the wa - ter and the blood, from Thy riv - en side which flowed,
could my zeal no res - pite know, could my tears for - ev - er flow,
na - ked, come to Thee for dress; help - less, look to Thee for grace;
when I soar to worlds un - known, see Thee on Thy judg - ment throne,



be of sin the dou - ble cure, cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.
all for sin could not a - tone; Thou must save, and Thou a - lone.
foul, I to the Foun - tain fly; wash me, Sav - ior, or I ___ die
Rock of A - ges, cleft for me, let me hide my - self in ___ Thee.

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