

# *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.

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## *Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...*

“Lord, let me make a difference for You that is utterly disproportionate to who I am.”

- Henry Martyn

### **COVER ARTWORK**

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## 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

September 4, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

## REJOICE Declare the praises of God

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### Call to Worship

**LEADER:** In the midst of the congregation I will praise You. Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to God’s holy name!

**PEOPLE: I will extol You, my God and King, and bless Your name forever and ever. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; God’s greatness is unsearchable.**

### Hymn of Rejoicing *Christ Our Hope In Life And Death* (Music on Page 9)

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What is our hope in life and death  
Christ alone Christ alone  
What is our only confidence  
That our souls to Him belong  
Who holds our days within His hand  
What comes apart from His command  
And what will keep us to the end  
The love of Christ in which we stand

**O sing hallelujah  
Our hope springs eternal  
O sing hallelujah  
Now and ever we confess  
Christ our hope in life and death**

What truth can calm the troubled soul  
God is good God is good  
Where is His grace and goodness known  
In our great Redeemer’s blood  
Who holds our faith when fears arise  
Who stands above the stormy trial  
Who sends the waves that bring us nigh  
Unto the shore the rock of Christ

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## **REFRAIN**

**O sing hallelujah**

**Our hope springs eternal**

**O sing hallelujah**

**Now and ever we confess**

**Christ our hope in life and death**

Unto the grave what will we sing

Christ He lives Christ He lives

And what reward will heaven bring

Everlasting life with Him

There we will rise to meet the Lord

Then sin and death will be destroyed

And we will feast in endless joy

When Christ is ours forevermore (**REFRAIN**)

## **Welcome & Announcement**

### **Baptism**

9:00 - Preston Burgher, son of Jonathan and Brittany

### **Declaration to Our Covenant Children** from the Church of Scotland

**UNISON: For you Jesus Christ came into the world. For you He lived and showed God's love. For you He suffered the darkness of Calvary. For you He triumphed over death and rose to new life. For you He reigns at God's right hand. All this He did for you, Preston, though you do not know it yet.**

### **RENEW** Receive the grace of God

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### **Scripture Reading** 2 Corinthians 1:3-7 (Pew Bible p. 964)

**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** adapted from John Calvin

**UNISON: Eternal and merciful God, You have loved us with a love beyond our understanding, and You have set us on paths of righteousness for Your name's sake. Yet, we have strayed from Your way; we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, through what we have done and what we have left undone. As we remember the cleansing water of baptism, O God, we praise You and give You thanks that You forgive us yet again. Grant us now, we pray, the grace to die daily to sin, and to rise daily to new life in Christ.**

**4** - *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

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### **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: Do you turn from your lack of trust in God's love for you?

PEOPLE: **We do.**

LEADER: Do you repent of your unwillingness to trust God's grace to provide all your needs?

PEOPLE: **We do.**

## Assurance of God's Pardon from John 16:33

LEADER: I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world.

## Greeting of the Peace of Christ

### Hymn of Renewal *And Can It Be*

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And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me?  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

Tis myst'ry all! Th'Immortal dies.  
Who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the first-born seraph tries  
To sound the depths of love divine.  
Tis mercy all, let earth adore.  
Let angel minds inquire no more.  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

He left His Father's throne above  
So free so infinite His grace  
Emptied Himself of all but love  
And bled for Adam's helpless race  
'Tis mercy all immense and free  
For O my God it found out me  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

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No condemnation now I dread  
Jesus and all in Him is mine  
Alive in Him my living Head  
And clothed in righteousness divine  
Bold I approach th'eternal throne  
And claim the crown through Christ my own  
Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

## **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God

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### **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<sup>†</sup> Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*<sup>†</sup> 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** *This Is My Father's World*

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This is my Father's world and to my list'ning ears  
All nature sings and 'round me rings music of the spheres  
*This is my Father's world, I rest me in the thought  
Of rocks and trees of skies and seas His hand the wonders wrought*

This is my Father's world, the birds their carols raise  
The morning light the lily white, declare their Maker's praise  
*This is my Father's world, He shines in all that's fair  
In the rust'ling grass I hear Him pass, He speaks to me ev'rywhere*

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#### **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.

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#### **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.

This is my Father's world, O let me ne'er forget  
And though the wrong seems oft so strong God is the Ruler yet  
*This is my Father's world, the battle is not done*  
*Jesus who died shall be satisfied and earth and heaven be one*

### **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** Psalm 27 (Pew Bible p. 460)

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

**Sermon** Rev. Mark Randle

**“God Our Confidence”**

## **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**

### **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 *Amazing Grace*

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Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found  
Was blind but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers toils and snares  
I have already come  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home

The Lord has promised good to me,  
His Word my hope secures;  
He will my shield and portion be  
As long as life endures.

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we've first begun

## Benediction

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



## Giving Report For more information, visit [tcpca.org/give](http://tcpca.org/give).

August Giving: \$174,333	Total FY Giving (Oct-Aug): \$2,284,916
August Goal: \$198,916	Giving Goal (Oct-Aug): \$2,309,238
<b>Difference: -\$24,583</b>	<b>Difference: -\$24,322</b>

FY Giving Goal (Oct-Sep): \$2,574,358
<b>Remaining (for Sep): \$289,442</b>

## 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:

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Janet Whitley  
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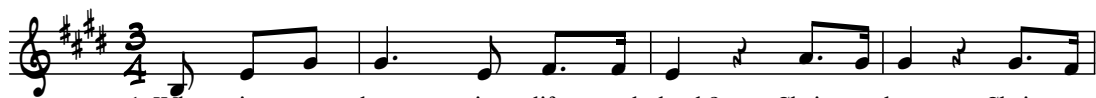


# Christ Our Hope In Life And Death

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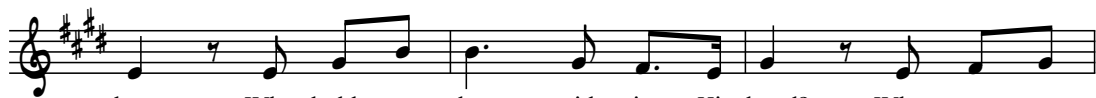
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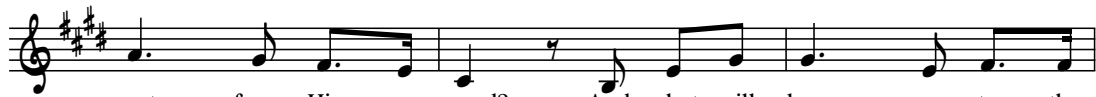
1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-  
2. What truth can calm the troub- led soul? God is good, God is  
3. Un - to the grave, what will we sing? "Christ He lives; Christ He



lone. What is our on - ly con - fi - dence? That our souls to Him be -  
good. Where is His grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's  
lives!" And what re - ward will heav - en bring? Ev - er - last - ing life with



long. Who holds our days with - in His hand? What comes, a -  
blood. Who holds our faith when fears a - rise? Who stands a -  
Him. There we will rise to meet the Lord, then sin and



part from His com-mand? And what will keep us to the  
bove the storm - y trial? Who sends the waves that bring us  
death will be de - stroyed, And we will feast in end - less



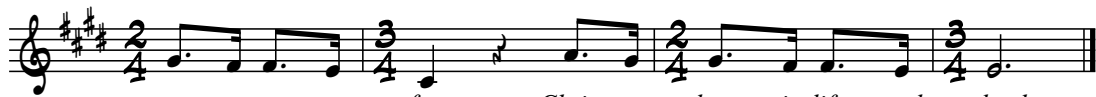
end? The love of Christ, in which we stand.  
nigh un - to the shore, the rock of Christ?  
joy, when Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.



**REFRAIN:** O sing ha - le - lu - jah! Our hope springs e -



ter - nal; O sing ha - le - lu - jah! Now and



ev - er we con - fess Christ our hope in life and death.

# Announcements

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## All-Church Fellowship Dinner on September 7

Join us for our first monthly all-church Fellowship Dinner on Wednesday, September 7th from 6-7pm, in the Fellowship Hall. These dinners will be planned for the first Wednesday of each month throughout this ministry year. This month, a meal from Moe's will be served, with a suggested donation of \$6 per person \$25 per family. All are welcome! To help us plan ahead for food, please RSVP by scanning this QR code.



## Senior Ministry Luncheon Next Sunday, September 11

Come and enjoy a free lunch with the Senior Ministry in the Fellowship Hall right after the second service on September 11. Mary Ellis Patton and Carolyn Howard Kelley are going to present vital information on Elder Law and estate financial planning for seniors. These luncheons are always open to all ages, not just seniors, but this time we especially encourage younger people with aging family to join us. The lunch will be catered, so in order to be sure there's enough food, please RSVP by Labor Day, September 5, to Trevor Tanous at [etanous@gmail.com](mailto:etanous@gmail.com).

## Women's Ministry Kickoff Dinner

Our Women's Ministry Kickoff will be held on Sunday, September 18 at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Join us as we share a meal and learn about ministry opportunities for this year! Please RSVP using this QR code, and send email any questions to Kay Sox at [kayrsox@gmail.com](mailto:kayrsox@gmail.com). Thank you!



## Pulpit Committee Nominations Begin September 12

Nominations for the Pulpit Committee will open on September 12. This is an opportunity for communicant members of TCPC to nominate other communicant members to the committee that will help our church in the process of choosing our next Senior Pastor. Please look for more details in your email inbox, and if you do not currently receive the weekly TCPC News email, please let us know at [contact@tcpc.org](mailto:contact@tcpc.org).

## Volunteers Needed for Singing & Loving Folks at The Lafayette

Every Sunday afternoon at 2:00 the Senior Ministry sponsors a hymn-singing at The Lafayette under the leadership of Ellyn Washburne. The singing is followed by a time for conversation with the residents for a short while. We need volunteers to come every week or once a month - whatever time you can give to this joyous ministry. For more information or to sign up, contact Ellyn at [washburnee@aol.com](mailto:washburnee@aol.com), or scan this QR code. You will be blessed!



# Community at TCPC

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Many ministries and groups are starting in the coming weeks, and we want you to know about all the ways you can find community at TCPC! Read below to learn more:

## Parish Groups

Parish Groups will begin meeting again this month! Parish Groups are multi-generational gatherings of people that live near you. These gatherings take place on a consistent basis throughout the year, and often involve food, fellowship, and discussion about that week's sermon. Scan this QR code to sign up!



## Sing with the Choir!

Choir will begin regular rehearsals this Wednesday, September 7. We rehearse every Wednesday from 6:25-7:45 pm and childcare is available. If you're looking for a way to build community, serve TCPC, and enjoy God's great gift of music then choir is for you! We prepare pieces to sing in worship every other Sunday and for special services like Christmas and Easter. You don't have to have prior experience to sing in the choir. If you're curious about choir but unsure whether you want to join, feel free to come sing for a few rehearsals. Email Chelsea at [csteyn@tcpca.org](mailto:csteyn@tcpca.org).

## Sunday School

All adult and children's Sunday School classes will begin next Sunday, September 11th, and will continue each Sunday from about 10:20-11:05. Info about those classes will be added here as they are finalized.

### VERITAS SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

The VERITAS Class will resume its climb through the glorious mountains of Romans on September 11th. We meet at 10:15 in the basement classroom. Join us as we continue our study of Paul's fullest, grandest, and most comprehensive statement of the gospel of Jesus Christ. Our teacher will be Ron Whitley. For more information and a time of class fellowship, connect with us today for coffee and bagels.

### BRIDGE CLASS

The Bridge Class will be led by Luke Rakestraw and meet weekly in the Fellowship Hall. The theme of this year is "Loving God and Loving Neighbor" which will focus on the "Loving God" half of the theme by studying Genesis in the fall, and the "Loving Neighbor" half in the spring by studying the story of the Good Samaritan.

## Women's Groups

### MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study will begin meeting this Wednesday, September 7 at 9:00 AM. We'll be using Jen Wilkin's study on 1 Samuel in the fall and 2 Samuel in the spring (materials have been ordered in bulk to save money and will be available for purchase). Childcare is offered in the nursery. Scan this QR code to sign up, and send questions to Julia Meador at [jamat10215@aol.com](mailto:jamat10215@aol.com).

### EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study will also begin meeting this Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 PM, continuing our study of "Saints and Scoundrels in the Story of Jesus" by Nancy Guthrie. Scan this QR code to sign up, or email questions to Kay Sox at [kayrsox@gmail.com](mailto:kayrsox@gmail.com).



## Men's Groups

### WEDNESDAY NOON BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday noon Men's Bible study will begin meeting again this Wednesday, September 7 in the lower-level boardroom. We will begin a study of II Thessalonians. All men of all ages are welcome to join us for a time of fellowship, study, and prayer. We have been known to enjoy some coffee and a donut or two, as well! If you would like more information, please email Harry Standinger at [hstandin@hotmail.com](mailto:hstandin@hotmail.com).

### COMPANY OF MEN

Mark Randle will be leading a men's group on Thursday mornings called "Company of Men." This group will resume on September 15.

## Youth Group

### YOUTH GROUP STARTS SEPTEMBER 7

Mark your calendars! The Youth Group will resume its Wednesday night gatherings on September 7.

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