

PSALMS OF JOY & THANKSGIVING

PSALM 150



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.



Officers On Duty Today's points of contact for spiritual or physical needs.

Elder on duty:
Chris Matocha

Deacons on duty:
Luke McAnally and Seth Ralston

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“Only the lover sings.”

- Augustine

COVER ARTWORK

Cape Nelson Lighthouse, Australia

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Order of Worship

July 30, 2023 at 9:00 and 11:15 AM

Liturgy Notes

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

PLEASE NOTE:

During responsive readings, the part of the Leader will be in plain text, **and the part of the People will be in bold.**

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.

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in His Sanctuary; praise Him in His mighty heavens! Praise Him for His mighty deeds; Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord!

Hymn *Crown Him With Many Crowns*

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Crown Him with many crowns the Lamb upon His throne
Hark how the heav’nly anthem drowns all music but its own
Awake my soul and sing of Him who died for thee
And hail Him as thy matchless King thro’ all eternity

Crown Him the Lord of love behold His hands and side
Rich wounds yet visible above in beauty glorified
All hail Redeemer hail for Thou hast died for me
Thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity

Crown Him the Lord of life who triumphed o’er the grave
Who rose victorious in the strife for those He came to save
His glories now we sing who died and rose on high
Who died eternal life to bring and lives that death may die

Crown Him the Lord of heav’n one with the Father known
One with the Spirit thro’ Him giv’n from yonder glorious throne
To Thee be endless praise for Thou for us hast died
Be Thou O Lord thro’ endless days adored and magnified

Welcome & Announcements

Baptism

11:15 - Margot Bickel, daughter of Tim & Anne Marie

Declaration to Our Covenant Children from the Church of Scotland

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, Margot, though you do not know it yet.

Hymn *Were I To Cross (Psalm 139)* **(Music on Page 10)**

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Were I to cross from land to land
And sail afar by sea
Descend the depths or climb the heights
My Lord remains with me

Before the blood ran in these veins
The days ordained for me
Were written in Your book O Lord
Before I came to be

I grieve to hear Your enemies
Speak hatred Lord of You
Long though they scheme with ill-intent
Their days are numbered too

How precious are Your thoughts to me
How countless Lord they are
More than the shores have grains of sand
More than the skies have stars

Come search and test this heart O Lord
Dispel each anxious thought
And lead me onward evermore
To tread the path I ought

How blessed I am so bound with love
Surrounded yet so free
In doubt or blessing life or death
My Lord remains with me

Scripture Reading Romans 11:33-36 (Pew Bible p. 947)

All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall, **but the Word of the Lord stands forever.**

Confession of God's People from Anselm

O Almighty and merciful Father, You pour out Your benefits upon us – forgive the unthankfulness with which we have forgotten Your goodness. We have remained before You with cold hearts and blind eyes, ungrateful for your generosity. Turn us, O merciful Father, and so shall we be turned. Make us with our whole heart to hunger and thirst after You, and with all our longing to desire You. Amen.

- *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

Repentance of God's People

Do you turn from your sin of grumbling? **We do.**

Will you return to the goodness of your God? **We will.**

Assurance of God's Pardon from Psalm 103:11-12

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.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

Hymn *Jesus Strong And Kind*

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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 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.

Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism Q&A #1

What is the chief end of man?

Man's chief end is to glorify God and enjoy him forever.

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 *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*

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.

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.

Scripture Reading Psalm 150 (p. 526)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Luke Rakestraw

“The Hallelujah Chorus”

The Lord’s Prayer

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.

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

Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

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

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 *O Praise The Name* (Music on Page 11)

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I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds His hands His feet
My Savior on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

Refrain:

O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing Your praise
Oh Lord oh Lord our God

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting
The angels roar for Christ the King (Refrain)

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face (Refrain)

Benediction

Go love your God. **Go love your neighbor.**



Giving Report

For more information, visit tcpca.org/give.

June Giving: \$171,680
June Goal: \$163,729
Difference: +\$7,951

FY Giving from Oct-Jun: \$1,896,095
Giving Goal for Oct-Jun: \$2,019,327
Difference: -\$123,232

FY Total Giving Goal (Oct-Sep): **\$2,728,820**

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

ACCESS Prayer Group

The Access Prayer Group meets each Thursday at 12:30 PM to pray for our church and our community. Send prayer requests to:

Mary Beth Moore
mdmoorefamily@gmail.com

Announcements

Sign Up for Parish Groups for the Fall!

Parish Groups will begin meeting again this September! 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. **Please sign up by August 31** if you would like to join a Parish Group. If you were in a group last year, we still need you to fill out the signup for this year, even if you are staying in the same group. Scan this QR code to sign up today.



Women's Ministry Announcements

Early Bird Ends Tuesday! Women's Retreat on September 8-9

The Women's Ministry invites you to join us for our Fall Retreat! The theme is "Bring Shalom" and the retreat will include teaching times, small group discussion, fellowship, music, activities, prayer, and lots of fun. We will meet starting with dinner on Friday, September 8th, and conclude around lunch the next day. This will all take place at the Origin Hotel, and we would love for you book a room and stay the night with friends (scan QR code and look for "Origin Hotel Booking" button). The registration fee is \$65 from now until August 1, and is \$80 after August 1. Learn more and register today by scanning this QR code or go to tcpca.org/women.



Women's Bible Study on Wednesday Mornings

The Wednesday Morning Women's Bible study will begin on September 13, 9:00 - 11:00 AM, with nursery provided. We will be studying the first half of the Gospel of Matthew using Jen Wilkin's study materials. There is also an option to join the group via video call each week if you are unable to attend in-person. Cost of materials is \$10. A signup link will be available in the coming weeks, but if you have any questions, please contact Julia Meador at jamat10215@aol.com.

Starting August 22: Tuesday Playtime in the Nursery

Our nursery will be starting a playtime program on Tuesday mornings this Fall, led by Amber Waldrop. This will be a time for parents to drop off their children for childcare from 9:00am-11:30am. The cost will be \$18 per child (additional siblings \$15). Scan this QR code for more information and to apply.



Trinity Job Opening

Trinity Christian Academy is seeking applicants for the positions of Early Learning teacher's aides and Elementary teacher's aides. Please email Vicki White at vwhite@trinitylex.org for more information and to apply.

"Tates Creek at Tates Creek" Golf Outing

Calling all golfers! On Saturday, August 19, we will be holding the inaugural "Tates Creek at Tates Creek" golf outing at the Tates Creek Golf Course for all adults (18 and over) who would like to play. Scramble teams will be randomly drawn based on pre-determined handicap ranges. Golfers should plan on arriving at the course no later than 11:00 AM. Scan this QR code to register to play!



Were I To Cross (Psalm 139)

Gregory De Blicek

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New Scottish Hymns

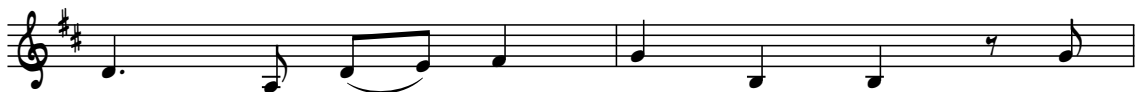
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1. Were _ I to cross from land to land and
2. Be - fore the blood ran in these veins the
3. I _ _ _ grieve to hear _ Your en - e - mies speak
4. How _ pre - cious are _ Your thoughts to me, how
5. Come search and test _ this heart, O Lord, dis -
6. How _ blessed I am, _ so bound with love, sur -



sail a - far _ _ _ by sea, de -
days or - dained _ for me were _
ha - tred, Lord, _ of You, long _
count - less, Lord, _ they are: more _
pel each an - xious thought and _
round - ed yet _ _ _ so free. In _



scend the depths _ or climb the heights, my
writ - ten in _ _ _ Your book, O Lord, be -
though they scheme with ill - in - tent, their
than the shores _ have grains of sand, more
lead me on - ward ev - er - more to
doubt or bless - ing, life, or death, my



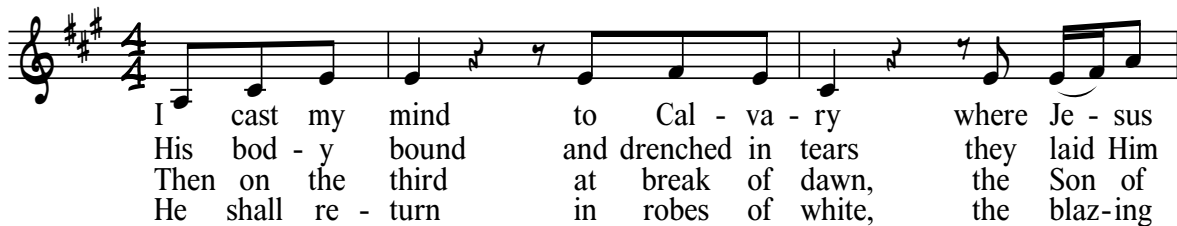
Lord re - mains with me.
fore I came to be.
days are num - bered too.
than the skies have stars.
tread the path I ought.
Lord re - mains with me.

O Praise The Name


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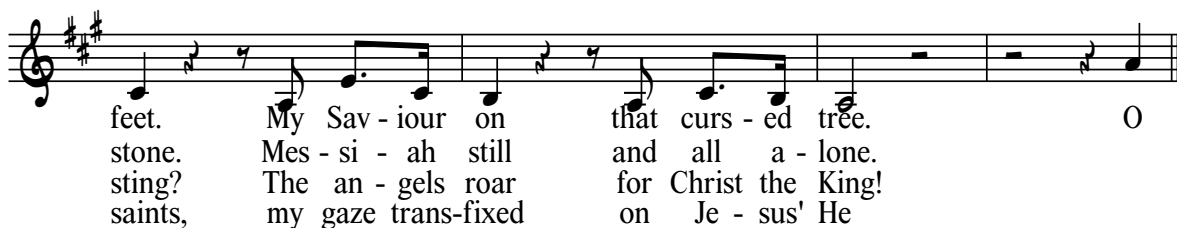
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I cast my mind to Cal - va - ry where Je - sus
His bod - y bound and drenched in tears they laid Him
Then on the third at break of dawn, the Son of
He shall re - turn in robes of white, the blaz - ing



bled and died for me. I see His wounds, His hands, His
down in Jo - seph's tomb. The en - trance sealed by heav - y
Heav - en rose a - gain. O tramp - led death where is your
sun shall pierce the night. And I will rise a - mong the



feet. My Sav - iour on that curs - ed tree. O
stone. Mes - si - ah still and all a - lone.
sting? The an - gels roar for Christ the King!
saints, my gaze trans - fixed on Je - sus' He



praise the Name of the Lord, our God. O praise His Name for -



ev - er - more. For end - less days we will sing Your praise. Oh



Lord, oh Lord our God.

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