

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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Billy Lanter and Luke McAnally

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“We can't control if people believe us or not.
What we can control is if our **conduct** matches our **confession**.”

- Ian Simkins

Order of Worship

October 8, 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 from 2 Chronicles 30 and Psalm 59

People of God, set your hearts to seek the Lord, worship Him with great gladness, praise Him day by day, and sing to Him with all your might.

I will sing of Your strength; I will sing aloud of Your steadfast love in the morning.

ALL: O my Strength, I will sing praises to You for You are my fortress, the God who shows me steadfast love.

Hymn *Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven* **(Music on Page 9)**

Henry Francis Lyte | Mark Andrews
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Praise my soul the King of Heaven
To His feet your tribute bring
Ransomed healed restored forgiven
Who like me His praise should sing
Alleluia Alleluia
Praise the everlasting King

Praise Him for His grace and favor
To our fathers in distress
Praise Him still the same forever
Slow to chide and swift to bless
Alleluia Alleluia
Glorious in His faithfulness

Father-like He tends and spares us
Well our feeble frame He knows
In His hands He gently bears us
Rescues us from all our foes
Alleluia Alleluia
Widely as His mercy goes

Frail as summer’s flow’r we flourish
Blows the wind and it is gone
But while mortals rise and perish
God endures unchanging on
Alleluia Alleluia
Praise the High Eternal One

Welcome & Announcements

Baptism

9:00 - Hays Caudill Wade, daughter of Alex & Kathryn

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, Hays, though you do not know it yet.

Choir Anthem *Fairest Lord Jesus*

Arr. Mark Hayes

Fairest Lord Jesus, Ruler of all nature, O Thou of God and man the Son: Thee will I cherish, Thee will I honor, Thou my soul's glory, joy and crown. Fair are the meadows, fairer still the woodlands, robed in the blooming garb of spring: Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer, who makes the woeful heart to sing. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, and all the twinkling starry host: Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shine purer than all the angels heaven can boast. Beautiful Savior! Lord of the nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise adoration, now and forevermore be Thine! Amen.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading 1 Kings 8:54-61 (Pew Bible p. 289)

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

Jesus, forgive my sins. Forgive the sins that I remember, and the sins I have forgotten. Forgive my many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when I have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times I have been proud of my own achievements and those when I have failed to boast in Your works. Forgive the harsh judgments I have made of others, and the leniency I have shown myself. Forgive the lies I have told to others, and the truths I have avoided. Forgive me the pain I have caused others and the indulgence I have shown myself. Jesus, have mercy on me and make me whole. 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

Has the world failed you? **Always.**

Has God failed you? **Never.**

Do you return to the Lord your God as your only trust? **By grace, we do.**

Assurance of God's Pardon

 from Philippians 3:20-21

But our citizenship is in Heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like His glorious body, by the power that enables Him even to subject all things to Himself.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

Hymn *Jesus I Come* (**Music on Page 10**)

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Music: Greg Thompson

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Out of my bondage sorrow and night
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into Thy freedom gladness and light
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of my sickness into Thy health
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth
Out of my sin and into Thyself
Jesus I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm
Out of life's storms and into Thy calm
Out of distress into jubilant psalm
Jesus I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into Thy blessed will to abide
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love
Out of despair into raptures above
Upward forever on wings like a dove
Jesus I come to Thee

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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.

Greeting of Peace

We extend to others the grace that God has extended to us, greeting each other with the peace of Christ. In the midst of a fractured world filled with prejudice, hatred, and violence, we are a demonstration of God's reconciliation. Worshipers greeted one another with the words of Christ after His resurrection, which became the customary greeting of the early Church: "Peace be with you."

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb
Jesus I come Jesus I come
Into the joy and light of Thy home
Jesus I come to Thee
Out of the depths of ruin untold
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold
Ever Thy glorious face to behold
Jesus I come to Thee

RESPOND Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

LEADER: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

UNISON: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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 *The Servant King* (**Music on Page 11**)

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From heav'n You came helpless babe
Entered our world Your glory veiled
Not to be served but to serve
And give Your life that we might live

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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.

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.

REFRAIN:

*This is our God the Servant King
He calls us now to follow Him
To bring our lives as a daily offering
Of worship to the Servant King*

There in the garden of tears
My heavy load He chose to bear
His heart with sorrow was torn
Yet not my will but Yours He said **(REFRAIN)**

Come see His hands and His feet
The scars that speak of sacrifice

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.

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading Philippians 1:27-30 (p. 980)

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

Sermon Rev. Luke Rakestraw

“A Worthy Life”

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!

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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.

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

Hymn *My Worth Is Not In What I Own*

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My worth is not in what I own
Not in the strength of flesh and bone
But in the costly wounds of love at the cross
My worth is not in skill or name
In win or lose in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

REFRAIN:

I rejoice in my Redeemer
Greatest treasure Wellspring of my soul
I will trust in Him no other
My soul is satisfied in Him alone

As summer flowers we fade and die
Fame youth and beauty hurry by
But life eternal calls to us at the cross
I will not boast in wealth or might
Or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross **(REFRAIN)**

Two wonders here that I confess
My worth and my unworthiness
My value fixed my ransom paid at the cross **(REFRAIN)**

Benediction

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



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
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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

Praise My Soul The King Of Heaven

Henry Francis Lyte | Mark Andrews

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Praise, — my soul, the King of hea - ven,
Praise — Him for His grace and fav - or
Fath - er - like, He tends and spares us;
Frail — as sum - mer's flow'r we flour - ish



to — His feet — your tri - bute bring;
to — our fath - ers in dis - tress.
well — our fee - ble frame He knows.
blows — the wind — and it is gone;



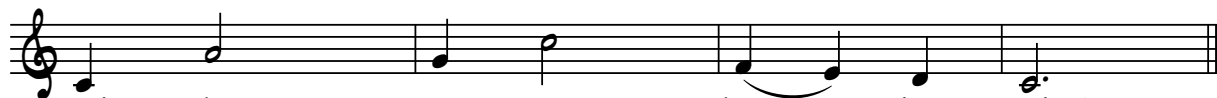
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Praise — Him, still the same for - ev - er,
In — His hands He gent - ly bears us,
but — while mor - tals rise and per - ish,



who — like me — His praise should sing.
slow — to chide — and swift to bless.
res - cues us — from all our foes.
God — en - dures — un - chang - ing on.



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!



Praise the ev - er last - ing King!
Glo - rious in His faith - ful - ness.
Wide - ly as His mer - cy goes.
Praise the High E - ter - nal One.

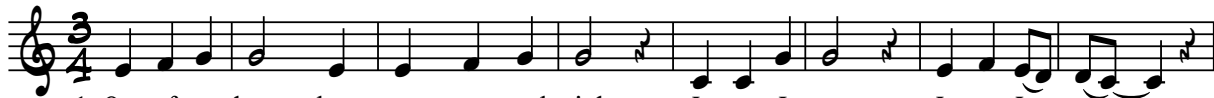
Jesus I Come

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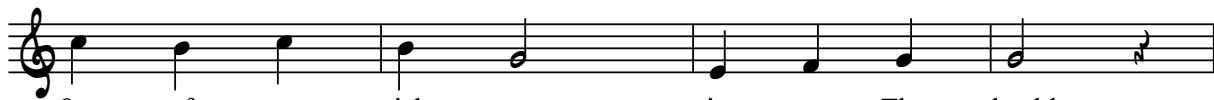
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1. Out of my bon - dage, sor - row and night, Je-sus I come; Je-sus I__ come.
2. Out of my shame-ful fail - ure and loss,
3. Out of un-rest and ar - ro-gant pride,
4. Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,



In-to Thy free - dom, glad-ness, and light Je-sus I come to Thee.
In-to the glo - rious gain of Thy cross,
In-to Thy bless - ed will to a - bide,
In-to the joy and light of Thy home,



Out of my sick - ness in - to Thy health,
Out of earth's sor - rows in - to Thy balm,
Out of my - self to dwell in Thy love,
Out of the depths of ru - in un - told,



Out of my want - ing and in - to Thy wealth,
Out of life's storms___ and in - to Thy calm,
Out of de - spair in - to rap - tures a - bove,
In - to the peace of Thy shel - ter - ing fold,



Out of my sin__ and in - to__ Thy self, Je-sus I come to Thee.
Out of dis - tress, in - to ju-bi-lant psalm,
Up - ward for - ev - er on wings like a__ dove,
Ev - er Thy glo - rious face to__ be - hold,

The Servant King

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From heav'n You came, help - less babe,
There in the gar - den of tears,
Come see His hands and His feet,
So let us learn how to serve

3 en - tered our world, Your glo - ry veiled,
my hea - vy load, He chose to bear; —
the scars that speak of sac - ri - fice, —
and in our lives en - throne Him, —

5 not to be served but to serve,
His heart with sor - row was torn,
hands that flung stars in - to space
each o - ther's needs to pre - fer,

7 and give Your life that we might
Yet not my will but yours, He
for cru - el nails sur - rend -
it is Christ we're serv -

9 live, said, ered. ing. This is our God, — the Ser - vant King, He calls us

12 now to fol - low Him, — to bring our lives as a dai - ly of - fer -

15 ing — of wor - ship to — the Ser - vant King.

Announcements

In addition to this announcements section, we also send a weekly email called TCPC News each Wednesday. If you would like to receive these emails, please contact Paul Adams at padams@tcpca.org

Sunday School Classed Resume Today

All Adult and Children's Sunday School classes will resume today.

Save the Date for the Evening of Reformation Sunday

Please mark your calendars for the evening of October 29th! We are planning a special evening service and meal to celebrate Reformation Sunday. More details will be shared in the coming weeks.

Coffee & Connect on October 15

Are you new to TCPC? We would love to meet you. Drop by the Parlor for coffee & donuts in-between services on October 15, and members of the TCPC staff will be there to say hi and get to know you. You can find the Parlor next to the elevator in the Nathex/foyer.

College Lunch on October 15

All college students are invited to stay after church for lunch on Sunday, October 15! We will be meeting in the Fellowship Hall for lunch.

No Student Ministry Tonight

The Student Ministry will not be meeting tonight.

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