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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 Connect Form. We would love to meet you and help you get connected. Please visit **tcpca.org/connect** or scan this QR code.



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

Elders on duty:

Rick Endean

Deacons on duty:

Josh Owen and Bobby Pepiot

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“Accepted in Christ, we now run the race ‘for the joy that is set before us’ rather than ‘for fear that comes behind us’.”

- Tim Keller

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Order of Worship

January 21, 2024 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 1 Chronicles 16

Give thanks to the LORD, call on His name; make known among the nations what He has done.

Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His wonderful acts.

Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

Look to the LORD and His strength; seek His face always.

ALL: Remember the wonders He has done, His miracles, and the judgments He pronounced!

Hymn *All Hail The Power Of Jesus’ Name*

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All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name

Let angels prostrate fall

Bring forth the royal diadem

And crown Him Lord of all

Bring forth the royal diadem

And crown Him Lord of all

Ye chosen seed of Israel’s race

Ye ransomed from the fall

Hail Him who saves you by His grace

And crown Him Lord of all

Hail Him who saves you by His grace

And crown Him Lord of all

Let ev’ry kindred ev’ry tribe

On this terrestrial ball

To Him all majesty ascribe

And crown Him Lord of all

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O that with yonder sacred throng
We at His feet may fall
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown Him Lord of all

Welcome & Announcements

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Psalm 19:7-14 (Pew Bible p. 456)

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

Heavenly Father, Your promises are endless, but we find it so hard to believe and trust. You are sovereign, but we fear our circumstances. You are faithful, but we fear the future. You are mighty, but we fear the world. You are gracious, but we fear our sins. You are risen, but we fear our death. Forgive our unbelief and restore to us an unshakable confidence in You.

- *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

Repentance of God's People

Do you turn from your faithlessness? **We do.**

Do you return to the faithfulness of your God? **We do.**

Assurance of God's Pardon From Romans 5:8

God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

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.

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."

Hymn *Wonderful, Merciful Savior*

Dawn Rodgers | Eric Wyse
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Wonderful merciful Savior
Precious Redeemer and Friend
Who would have thought that a Lamb
Could rescue the souls of men
Oh You rescue the souls of men

Counselor Comforter Keeper
Spirit we long to embrace
You offer hope when our hearts
Have hopelessly lost the way
Oh we hopelessly lost the way

REFRAIN:

*You are the One that we praise
You are the One we adore
You give the healing and grace
Our hearts always hunger for
Oh our hearts always hunger for*

Almighty infinite Father
Faithfully loving Your own
Here in our weakness You find us
Falling before Your throne
Oh we're falling before Your throne **(REFRAIN)**

Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism

What is the chief end of man?

The chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.

What is God?

God is a spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

Are there more Gods than one?

There is but only one, the living and true God.

How many persons are there in the Godhead?

There are three persons in the Godhead; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

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 *Quiet Hour (Sheet Music on Page 10)*

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In the quiet of this hour
As I bow before You Lord
May I hear You softly speaking
Through the power of Your Word

May my thoughts be filled
With no one else
And my heart be open still
As You speak to me this hour
May I listen for Your will.

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 convicting 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 Philippians 3:12-4:1(p. 981)

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

Sermon Rev. Will Witherington

“Press On and Stand Firm”

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.

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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

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 *Take My Life And Let It Be*

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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 silver and my gold
Not a mite would I withhold
Take my intellect and use
Ev'ry pow'r as Thou shalt choose

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 love my Lord I pour
At Thy feet its treasure store
Take myself and I will be
Ever only all for Thee

Benediction

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



Giving Report For more information, visit tcpca.org/give.

December Giving:	\$478,559	Total Giving for Oct-Dec:	\$822,106
December Goal:	\$482,000	Giving Goal for Oct-Dec:	\$928,000
Difference:	-\$3,441	Difference:	-\$105,894
		FY Giving Goal (Oct-Sep):	\$2,900,000

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

Quiet Hour

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The image shows a musical score for the song 'Quiet Hour'. It consists of five staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The time signature is 4/4. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are: 'In the qui - et of this ho - ur as I bow be-fore You, Lord, May I hear You soft - ly speak - ing through the pow-er of Your Word. May my thoughts be filled with no one else, and my heart be o - pen still. As You speak to me this ho - ur, may I lis-ten for Your will.'

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Announcements

To receive announcements via email, please contact Paul Adams at padams@tcpca.org

TCPC 40th Anniversary Celebration on January 28 Evening

2024 marks the 40th anniversary of the founding of Tates Creek Presbyterian Church, and we are excited to celebrate this milestone throughout the year. We are planning a special service to praise God for his faithfulness to our congregation. This service will start at 6:00 PM on January 28th, with a dessert reception to follow in the Fellowship Hall. Join us in celebrating all that God has done in 40 years!

Good of the Bluegrass Conference on February 16-18

We are excited to announce this year's Good of the Bluegrass theme and speaker! Our speaker is Bryan Chapell, the Stated Clerk of our denomination (the Presbyterian Church in America) and the former president of Covenant Seminary. We've invited him to speak on the topic of "The Faithfulness of God" in honor of both our 40th anniversary as a church as well as our denomination's 50th anniversary last year. Learn more and register online at gbcon.org (or scan QR code)



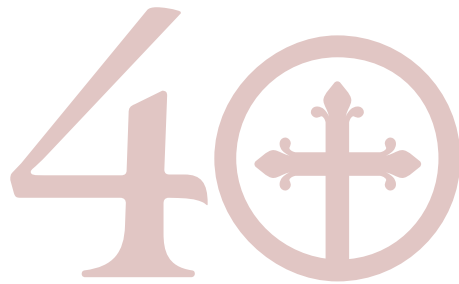
Vacation Bible School - Save the Date

VBS is back this summer! During the mornings of June 17th-21st we will be hosting VBS with great lessons, music, crafts and plenty of fun! More details on registration will be forthcoming. If you would like to serve on the VBS Committee we'd love to have your help to plan a wonderful week for our kids. Please contact Nicole Dorton: ndorton@tcpca.org.

Giving Statements for 2023 Giving

All giving statements for tax-filing purposes are now available on your TouchPoint profile, where you can also view your giving history to ensure that all of your 2023 gifts were recorded accurately. Scan this QR code to view your 2023 giving statement (or go to our website at tcpca.org, click the "Log In" button, and look for the "Giving" tab on your TouchPoint profile).





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