

Tates Creek
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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** (located in the pew in front of you) and place it in the offering basket later in the service. We would love to meet you and help you get connected.



This Order of Worship will be your guide to our service, and there are notes in the margins explaining the different elements of our liturgy.



Finally, if you would like to speak to someone who can answer any questions you may have about our church, please visit the **Welcome Desk**, which will be on your left after you exit the Sanctuary.

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.

Invocation

The minister invokes the presence of God that is promised to those who gather in His name. We ask for God to join us in worship, to lead us in worship, and to be pleased with our worship.

Order of Worship

November 3, 2019 at 9:00 and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship from Isaiah 40

MINISTER:

A voice cries: “In the wilderness prepare the way of the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

PEOPLE:

“Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain.”

MINISTER:

“And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.”

PEOPLE:

Get you up to a high mountain, O Zion, herald of good news.

MINISTER:

Lift up your voice with strength, O Jerusalem, herald of good news.

PEOPLE:

Lift it up, fear not; say to the cities of Judah, “Behold your God!”

Hymn of Rejoicing *Behold Our God* **Music on Page 9**

Invocation

Baptism

9:00 - Gavin Glenn Malachi Strow, son of Tyler & Katie Strow

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, Gavin, though you do not know it yet.

Scripture Reading Leviticus 10:1-5 (Pew Bible p. 88)

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:

Most holy God, we have resisted your light and knowledge, conscience and conviction, law and love.

We ask your pardon on all our sins.

Sins of yesterday, today, and tomorrow;

of omission and commission,

of hard-heartedness, unbelief, presumption, and pride,

of lack of bold decision in the cause of Christ,

of failure to proclaim the gospel with zeal,

of bringing dishonor upon thy great name,

of deception, injustice, and untruthfulness toward others,

of things hoarded, squandered, and unconsecrated to Thee,

of impurity in thought, word, and deed.

For sins known and unknown, felt and unfelt, confessed and unconfessed, remembered and forgotten, we plead your gracious pardon. Hear our prayer, good Lord, and in hearing, forgive...

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

MINISTER:

Do you renounce your sinful thoughts, words, and deeds that offend God, harm others, and ruin creation?

PEOPLE: We do.

MINISTER:

Do you renounce the ways and idols of this fallen world that oppose God's Kingdom and glory?

PEOPLE: We do.

MINISTER:

Do you renounce Satan and all spiritual force of darkness that rebel against the one true God?

PEOPLE: We do.

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."

Assurance of God's Pardon from Isaiah 1

MINISTER:

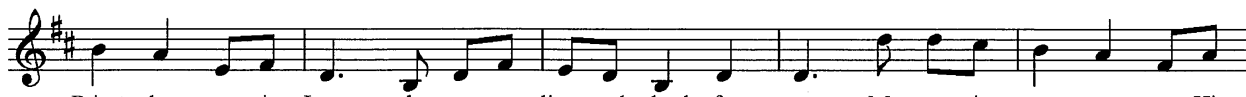
Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

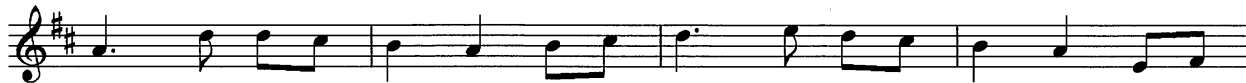
Hymn of Renewal *Before the Throne of God Above* (by Bancroft/Cook)



1. Be fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a strong, a per - fect plea, a great High
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to des - pair, and tells me of the guilt with - in, up - ward I
3. Be hold Him there! the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect, spot - less right - eous - ness; the great un -



Priest whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is grav - en on His
look and see Him there who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior
change - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace. One with Him - self I can - not



hands, my name is writ - ten in His heart, I know that, while in heav'n He
died, my sin - ful soul is count - ed free. For God the Just is sat - is -
die, my soul is pur - chased with His blood; My life is hid with Christ on



stands no tongue can bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
fied to look on Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
high, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God.

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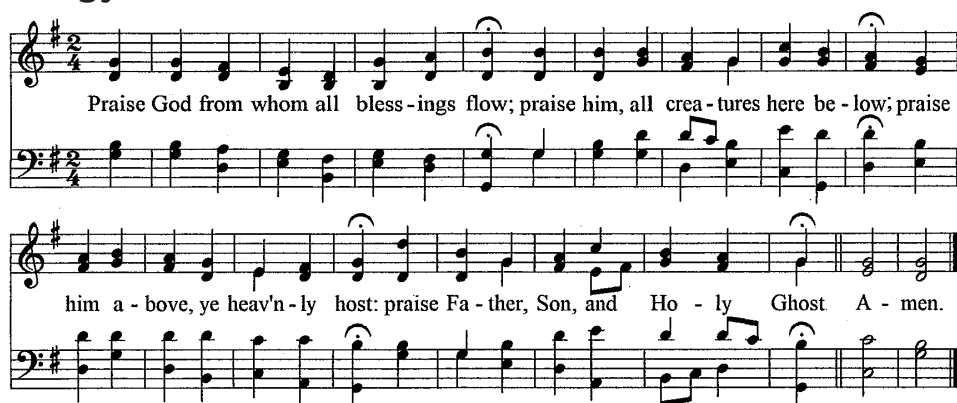
Confession of Faith The Apostles Creed

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[†] 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 Old Hundredth



Praise God from whom all bless-ings flow; praise him, all crea-tures here be-low; praise him a-bove, ye heav'n-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost A-men.

Offertory Prayer

Offertory *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* (Spiritual, arr. Lloyd Larson)

I want Jesus to walk with me. All along my pilgrim journey, I want Jesus to walk with me. In my trials, Lord, walk with me. When my heart is almost breaking, I want Jesus to walk with me. When I'm troubled, Lord, walk with me. When my head is bowed in sorrow, I want Jesus to walk with me.

Gospel Storytime:

After the Offertory Anthem, 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 for their Communion blessing.

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.

Anthem

It is not just financial offerings that we give to God during this time but offerings of beauty as well. While the offering is collected, our choir offers up to God beautifully-composed music with text that meditates upon the truths of the gospel and the promises of God. God's gift of music (along with the work of his Spirit) helps us feel deeply and marvel at who he is, what he has done, and what he will do.

Scripture Reading Acts 5:1-11 (Pew Bible p. 913)

MINISTER:

The Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE:

Thanks be to God.

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.

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister

“The Holy Church”

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE:

We offer both wine and grape juice in Holy Communion: the wine is in the outermost ring of cups, and the grape juice is in the inner rings of cups. Gluten-free bread is offered at the center table.

Children's Blessing:

Children (of any age) who have not professed faith in Christ are encouraged to come forward with their parents to receive a blessing from the pastor or officer.

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.

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.

Holy Communion

Hymn of Response *Holy, Holy, Holy* #100

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Benediction

MINISTER:
Go love your God;

PEOPLE:
Go love your neighbor.

Postlude



Today's Musicians

Deb Endean, piano
Esther Ratajeski, violin
Ellyn Washburne, violin

Last Week's Pianist for Children's Choir:
Anna Ortiz

Benediction

The minister raises His hands and pronounces God's benediction over the congregation, sending them forth with assurance from on high. Stretch forth your hands and open wide your hearts to receive the abundant blessings that are yours in Christ Jesus!

Prayer

Prayer is available after the service to any in need. The Elder on Call will be waiting by the communion table to pray with you.

Prayer Chain

Kathryn Lyon
KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley
JJWhitley@twc.com

BEHOLD OUR GOD

Ryan Baird, Jonathan Baird,
Meghan Baird, and Stephen Altrogge

♩ = 73

VERSE

C Em C Em

1. Who has held the oceans in His hands? Who has numbered every grain of sand?
2. Who has given counsel to the Lord? Who can question any of His words?
3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands, bearing all the guilt of sinful man?

5

C Em C

Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation
Who can teach the One who knows all things? Who can fathom
God eternal, humbled to the grave. Jesus, Savior,

8

Em7 G **CHORUS** C G/B Am F

ris-es to re-joice. Be-hold our God, seat-ed on His throne. Come, let us a-
all His won-drous deeds?
ris-en now to reign!

13

C G C G/B Am F C G C

dore Him. Be-hold our King, noth-ing can com-pare. Come, let us a-dore Him!

The musical score is written for guitar and voice. It begins with a tempo marking of quarter note = 73. The key signature is one flat (Bb), and the time signature is 4/4. The score is divided into a Verse (measures 1-12) and a Chorus (measures 13-16). The Verse consists of three lines of lyrics, each with a corresponding musical line. The Chorus consists of two lines of lyrics, also with corresponding musical lines. Chords are indicated above the staff, and measure numbers are shown in boxes at the beginning of their respective sections.

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Weekly Information

10/28 Attendance: 662

Sunday School: 192

Deacons on Duty:

Billy Lanter, John Lee,
and Mark Deicher

Elder on Call:

Andy Hardin

Giving Report: For more info, visit tcPCA.org/give

September Actual Giving: \$183,350

September Giving Goal: \$170,410

Difference: +\$12,940

Fiscal Year Actual Giving (Oct-Sep): \$2,071,027

Fiscal Year Giving Goal (Oct-Aug): \$2,047,276

Difference: +\$23,751

Sunday School 10:20-11:05AM

Parents must pick up children in grade 3 or younger by 11:05AM

Children & Teens

Preschool » Room 126

5-Year-Olds » Room 109/111

Kindergarten » Room 105/107

1st Grade » Room 119

2nd Grade » Room 121

3rd Grade » Room 123

4th & 5th Grade GIRLS » Room 124

4th & 5th Grade BOYS » Room 127

6th Grade » Room 125

7th - 12th Grade » Youth Room

Adults

Bridge Class » Lower Level Boardroom

Studying the book "With: Reimagining the Way
You Relate to God" by Skye Jethani

Led by Will Witherington

Vine Class » Lower Level Classroom

Studying "Subjects of Theology" using Michael
Horton's book "Pilgrim Theology"

Led by Mark Randle

Veritas » Parlor

Studying the book of Psalms,

Led by Ron Whitley & Mark Deicher

Calendar

Sunday, November 3

9:00 am, Worship of the Living God

10:20 am, Sunday School

11:10-11:35am, Children's Choir Gr. 2-6, Fellowship Hall

11:15 am, Worship of the Living God

2:00 pm, Lafayette Place Seniors Worship

Monday, November 4

Day of Prayer and Fasting

Wednesday, November 6

9:00am, Morning Women's Bible Study

12:00pm, Men's Bible Study

6:20pm, Adult Choir Rehearsal

6:45pm, Youth Group

7:00pm, Evening Women's Bible Study

Thursday, November 7

12:30 pm, Access Prayer Group

Sunday, November 10

9:00 am, Worship of the Living God

10:20 am, Sunday School

11:10-11:35am, Children's Choir Gr. 2-6, Fellowship Hall

11:15 am, Worship of the Living God

2:00 pm, Lafayette Place Seniors Worship

Future Events

December 15, Lessons & Carols

Announcements

All Saints Day

Each year on All Saints Sunday (first Sunday in November) we traditionally list the names of our members who have gone to be with the Lord in the last year. This year the Lord has blessed TCPC in that none of our members have passed away.

Day of Prayer and Fasting

Please join us in prayer and fasting on Monday, November 4. We will gather in the sanctuary at 7:00am to pray together. If you have questions please contact Verne Kern at vernekernasw@gmail.com

Veterans Day Luncheon

In recognition of Veterans Day this year, TCPC would like to invite all veterans, and their families, to a luncheon at the church on Sunday, November 17 following the 2nd service. This will be a time of appreciation for you and your service, as well as a means of connecting all of our veterans to one another. We would love for all our veterans to attend! Please rsvp to Mark Randle if you can make it: mrandle@tcpca.org

Handbell Players Needed

The handbell choir is looking for two ringers for our Dec. 22 worship date and also substitutes for rehearsals. They rehearse on Thursday evenings. You do not need to have played bells before, but an understanding of rhythm reading and basics of music is important. For more information or to volunteer, contact Suzanne Dovel at sdovel@tcpca.org.

Children's Choir Grades 2-6

Children in 2nd-6th grade are invited to come be a part of our older children's choir! Rehearsals have begun from 11:10 until 11:35 in the Fellowship Hall. They will sing in worship December 8. For questions or more information, contact Suzanne Dovel at sdovel@tcpca.org.

Senior Ministry Luncheon

Please mark your calendar for the next Senior Ministry luncheon on Sunday, November 10, right after the second service in the basement classroom. Jennifer Matocha will be answering your questions about Touchpoint, Tom Bedwell will demonstrate the Facebook group for seniors, and Bob Goodknight will tell about our weekly ministry at Lafayette Place. And you don't have to be a "senior" to attend - please come to learn how all generations can team together for service. The bonus is another delicious catered meal, so you don't have to bring anything, but we do need your RSVP to Eileen Frisinger at bifrisinger@aol.com by Wednesday, November 6.

Angel Tree

If you are interested in purchasing a small Christmas gift for a child on behalf of their incarcerated parent, please visit the Angel Tree table in the narthex area on November 10th and 17th. Gifts will be due back on November 24th. Volunteers are needed to help at the Angel Tree Party on December 7th from 2:30 to 4:00 and also to deliver gifts to families who do not attend the party. Contact Crystal Smith to volunteer or for more information at russandcrystal08@gmail.com or 859-321-7323.

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