



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

January 5, 2020 at 9:00 and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Prelude

Call to Worship from Titus 3:4-7

LEADER:

The goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior has appeared.

PEOPLE:

He saved us, not because of works done by us, but according to his mercy!

LEADER:

He has washed and renewed us by the Holy Spirit,

PEOPLE:

Whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ, our Savior,

LEADER:

So that being justified by his grace we are heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

PEOPLE:

With great hope, we lift up our hearts!

Hymn of Rejoicing *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* #53

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
Join me in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o’er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under his wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e’er have been
Granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty will do,
If with his love he befriend thee!

Praise to the Lord, who with marvelous wisdom hath made thee,
Decked thee with health, and with loving hand guided and stayed thee.
How oft in grief hath not he brought thee relief,
Spreading his wings to o’ershade thee!

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Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before him.
Let the amen sound from his people again;
Gladly fore'er we adore him.

Invocation

Welcome, Announcements, and Pastoral Prayer

Baptism

11:15 - Cole Scott Higgins, son of Tyler & Hannah Higgins

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, Cole, though you do not know it yet.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Psalm 1 (Pew Bible p. 448)

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 truly love you, but we confess our love is divided. We honor you with our lips, but our hearts are far from you. We call you our joy, but give ourselves to worldly pleasures. We say we trust you, but our minds are seized by anxiety. We want your presence, but are lazy to pursue. We obey externally, but rebel internally. Oh how ugly is our hypocrisy! But when we are faithless, you are faithful. Remember your grace, oh Lord, for it is our only hope...

- 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

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."

Repentance of God's People

MINISTER:

Are you sorrowful for your sins

MINISTER:

Are you hopeless in your sins?

MINISTER:

Will you turn from your sins and return again to the Lord your God?

PEOPLE:

We are.

PEOPLE:

We are not.

PEOPLE:

We will.

Assurance of God's Pardon from Ephesians 1

MINISTER:

In Jesus, we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

Hymn of Renewal *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* #457

Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander - Lord, I feel it - prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

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 *How Precious Is Your Steadfast Love (Psalm 36:7-10)*

by Morgan McClellan & Justin Carlson

How precious is your steadfast love, O God!
Children take refuge in the shadow of your wings.
They feast on the abundance of your house,
You give them drink from the river of your delights.
For with you is the fountain of life;
In your light do we see light.
How precious is your steadfast love
How precious is your steadfast love
How precious is your love

Gospel Storytime:

After the Offertory Anthem, children ages 4 - Kindergarten may be dismissed to Room 118 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.

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.

Holy Communion *Open Our Eyes* (Bruce Benedict & Zac Hicks)

Hymn of Response *Holy Spirit Living Breath of God* **Music on Page 9**

Benediction

MINISTER:

Go love your God;

PEOPLE:

Go love your neighbor.

Postlude



Today's Musicians

Justin Carlson, vocals & guitar
Paul Adams, vocals & cajon
Rebecca Price, cello

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.

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
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Janet Whitley
JJWhitley@twc.com

Holy Spirit

Keith Getty and Stuart Townend

1. Ho - ly Spi - rit, liv - ing Breath of God, breathe new life in - to my will - ing soul;
2. Ho - ly Spi - rit, come a - bide with - in; may Your joy be seen in all I do.
3. Ho - ly Spi - rit, from cre - a - tion's birth, gi - ving life to all that God has made.

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Bring the pre - sence of the Ri - sen Lord, to re - new my heart and make me whole.
Love e - nough to co - ver ev - ery sin in each thought and deed and at - ti - tude.
Show Your pow - er once a - gain on Earth, cause Your church to hun - ger for Your ways.

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Cause Your Word to come a - live in me; give me faith for what I can - not see.
Kind - ness to the great - est and the least; gen - tle - ness that sows the path of peace.
Let the frag - rance of our prayers a - rise; lead us on the road of sac - ri - fice,

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Give me pass - ion for Your pu - ri - ty; Hol - y Spi - rit breathe new life in me.
Turn my striv - ing in - to works of grace; Breath of God, show Christ in all I do.
that in u - ni - ty the face of Christ will be clear for all the world to see.

Weekly Information

12/29 Attendance: 564

Deacons on Duty:

Wes Anderson, Mark Deicher &
Andrei Shliakhau

Elder on Call:

Ken Iverson

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

November Actual Giving:	\$159,184	YTD Actual Giving (Oct-Nov):	\$327,193
November Giving Goal:	\$156,417	YTD Actual Expenses (Oct-Nov):	\$352,417
Difference:	+\$3,434	Difference:	-\$25,224

Sunday School 10:20-11:05AM

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

Children & Teens

Preschool » Room 126

Theresa Brashear, Ruth Sloan

Pre-Kindergarten » Room 109/111

Marcielle de Beer, Amy Seigler

Kindergarten » Room 105/107

Drew & Maddie Farr

1st Grade » Room 119

Joe & Pam Hacker

2nd Grade » Room 121

Suzie Ogden

3rd Grade » Room 123

Kathy Deicher, Brock Klein

4th & 5th Grade GIRLS » Room 124

Nate & Nancy Brown

4th & 5th Grade BOYS » Room 125

Monica Hardin, Chris Lee, John Lee

9th - 12th Grade » Youth Room

Mac Holt

Adults

Veritas » Room 131

Studying the epistle to the Galatians,
led by Ron Whitley

Calendar

Sunday, January 5

9:00 am, Worship of the Living God

10:20 am, Sunday School

11:15 am, Worship of the Living God

2:00 pm, Lafayette Place Seniors Worship

Monday, January 6

Day of Prayer & Fasting

Wednesday, January 8

6:30 am, Men's Bible Study

12:00 pm, Men's Bible Study

6:20 pm, Adult Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, January 12

9:00 am, Worship of the Living God

10:20 am, Sunday School

11:15 am, Worship of the Living God

12:30 pm, Senior Ministry Luncheon

2:00 pm, Lafayette Place Seniors Worship

Future Events

January 19, Congregational Meeting

February 13-16, Good of the Bluegrass Conference

Announcements

Congregational Meeting on January 19

There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, January 19 during the Sunday School hour.

Day of Prayer & Fasting

Tomorrow will be this month's day of prayer & fasting. Join us in the Sanctuary from 7:00-7:30 as we pray for the new year.

Good of the Bluegrass Conference

The conference will take place February 13-16, 2020, and we are honored to be joined by this year's speaker, Dr. Dan Doriani, professor of theology and ethics at Covenant Theological Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri. Register today at gbcon.org.

Nursery Volunteers

Interested in volunteering in the nursery? There is a need for coordinators to help run the desk, monthly classroom volunteers, and volunteers who can only commit to the months with five Sundays. Contact LeeAnn at lrleigh@tcpca.org.

Mom's Day Out Teacher

If you enjoy childcare and would like to teach in our MDO program, please contact LeeAnn at lrleigh@tcpca.org. There is a need for a teacher and substitutes. The program is Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-1pm.

TCPC Basketball League

The TCPC Men's Basketball League is now open for registration! The first day of the season will begin January 12th, and the tournament will be on March 28th and 29th. Sign up at tcpca.org/basketball. If you have any questions, please contact Nate Jones at njones@tcpca.org.

Senior Ministry Luncheon on January 12

We're looking forward to another enjoyable gathering for a delicious catered meal and great fellowship right after the second service next Sunday. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall this time, and we remind everyone that you don't have to be a senior to attend as we want to encourage more intergenerational relationship within this blessed body at TCPC. Our own multi-talented Ellyn Washburne will delight us again with a musical program, we'll have a short preview of "coming attractions", and lots of time to just get to know each other better. Do come! Contact Preston or Jody with any questions at epnjphicks@twc.com

VERITAS Sunday School Class

The VERITAS Class will embark on a 15-week study of the Epistle to the Galatians beginning January 5th. Join us in the Parlor as we explore the question that stands at the heart of the Gospel - how can a sinful human stand before a just and holy God? Our teachers will be Ron Whitley and Mark Deicher.

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