

# 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.

### Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

The trouble with ambition can often be traced to its companions. Ambition likes to keep company with pride and envy...Pride has a particular affinity with envy.

Pride is happiest when it provokes envy in others.

Envy is pride's cry of affront when it feels that it has been bested.

- John Koessler "The Radical Pursuit of Rest"

#### **COVER ARTWORK**

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# **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**

call.

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

### **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 convic-

tion is beautiful to our God.

### **Order of Worship**

July 18, 2021 at 9:00am and 11:00am

### **REJOICE** Declare the praises of God

### Call to Worship

LEADER: Let us sing to the LORD a new song!

PEOPLE: Sing to the LORD, all the earth!

LEADER: Let us sing to the LORD, and bless His name.

PEOPLE: Let us tell of His salvation from day to day.

LEADER: Let us declare His glory among the nations.

PEOPLE: His marvelous works among all the peoples!

**UNISON:** For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised; He is to be feared above all gods.

### Hymn of Rejoicing The Solid Rock

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My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness, I dare not trust the sweetest frame, But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

#### **REFRAIN:**

On Christ the Solid Rock I stand, All other ground is sinking sand, All other ground is sinking sand.

When darkness veils His lovely face, I rest on His unchanging grace; In ev'ry high and stormy gale, My anchor holds within the veil. (**REFRAIN**)

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood; When all around my soul gives way, He then is all my hope and stay. (**REFRAIN**)

When He shall come with trumpet sound, O may I then in Him be found; Dressed in His righteousness alone, Faultless to stand before the throne. (**REFRAIN**)

### **Welcome & Announcements**

### Pray for God's blessing on the children of TCPC, particularly this week as we

**Pastoral Prayer** 

conclude our Family Fun Nights. UNISON: 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.

# **RENEW** Receive the grace of God

### Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 6:4-9

your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might. And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit

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 Book of Common Worship

UNISON: God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our

our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of Your grace and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

**Repentance of God's People** 

LEADER: Do you turn from the sin of not believing in the goodness of God

over in every part of your life? PEOPLE: We do.

when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates.

midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt and renew

"Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD

in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and

### 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 togeth-

### er. We do this corporately through a unison litany or prayer and in-

### dividually 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 (continue on next page) these words if you are indeed willing to repent of your sins.

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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 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 Church.

# 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.

LEADER: The LORD your God is in your midst, a mighty one who will save; He will rejoice over you with gladness; He will guiet you by His love; He will exult over you with loud singing! Hymn of Renewal Search Me O God (Music on Page 10) Text: J. Edwin Orr | Music: William H. Monk ©Public Domain **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism LEADER: What is the chief end of man? **PEOPLE:** The chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever. LEADER: What is God? **PEOPLE:** God is a spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth. LEADER: Are there more Gods than one? **PEOPLE:** There is but only one, the living and true God. LEADER: How many persons are there in the Godhead? **PEOPLE:** 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** Offertory

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LEADER: Do you repent of your ongoing comparison to other people rather

than to the God who loves you?

LEADER: Do you repent of your spiritual apathy?

**Assurance of God's Pardon** from Zephaniah 3:17

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### Scripture Reading Galatians 5:25-6:5 25If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. 26Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. **6:1**Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. 2Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. 3 For if anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself. 4But let each one test his own work, and then his reason to boast will be in himself alone and not in his neighbor. 5For each will have to bear his own load. LEADER: The Word of the Lord. PEOPLE: Thanks be to God. **Sermon** Rev. Mark Randle Sermon "Relationship with the Spirit" 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.

### 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**

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**

### Hymn of Response The Power Of The Cross (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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Oh to see the dawn of the darkest day Christ on the road to Calvary Tried by sinful men torn and beaten then Nailed to a cross of wood

#### **REFRAIN:**

This the pow'r of the cross
Christ became sin for us
Took the blame bore the wrath
We stand forgiven at the cross

Oh to see the pain written on Your face Bearing the awesome weight of sin Ev'ry bitter thought ev'ry evil deed Crowning Your bloodstained brow (**REFRAIN**)

Now the daylight flees now the ground beneath Quakes as its Maker bows His head Curtain torn in two dead are raised to life Finished the vict'ry cry (**REFRAIN**)

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Oh to see my name written in the wounds For through Your suff'ring I am free Death is crushed to death life is mine to live Won through Your selfless love

This the pow'r of the cross Son of God slain for us What a love what a cost We stand forgiven at the cross

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### **Benediction**

MINISTER: Go love your God; PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.



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

May Giving: \$180,861 May Goal: \$190,567

Difference: -\$9,706

Total FY Giving (Oct-May): \$1,607,779 Giving Goal (Oct-May): \$1,727,516 Difference: -\$119,737

### **Prayer Chain**

email to:

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

Kathryn Lyon KRL40502@aol.com

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### **Announcements**

### Pastoral Ordinations on August 8

On August 8 we will be ordaining several members of our first Pastor's College class. Luke Rakestraw will be ordained during the 9:00 service, and, pending final examination and approval from our Presbytery later this month, Travis Stephens and Josh Crawford would be ordained during the 11:00 service. Please join us during one of these services to celebrate the Lord providing our community with more gifted leaders!

### **Parish Groups are back!**

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 today! This helps us plan well for these groups and place people in the best group according to where they live. **Sign up on our website at tcpca.org.** 

### Sign up for the last Tuesday Fun Night

This Tuesday is our final event for the children and families of our church and community. Similar to Vacation Bible School, children and families will have the opportunity to hear God's Word, play fun games, and enjoy some food! The remaining date is July 20 from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Parents are invited to stay with their children if they choose to, just make sure that every family member registers at the link below. All children ages 6 and under must have a parent present. For more information email Will Witherington at wwitherington@tcpca.org. Sign up online at tcpca.org.

#### Foundations Weekend

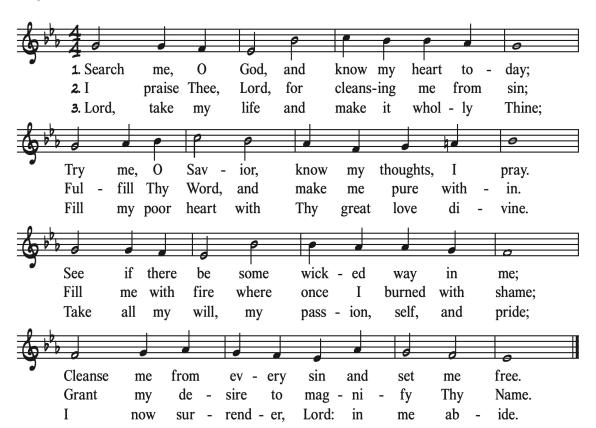
Registration is now open for our next membership class on August 20-21. The sessions will be Friday night and Saturday morning, and breakfast and dinner are provided. We invite anyone who is interested in pursuing membership and learning more about our church history and theology. To sign up, visit tcpca.org/foundations. Please email Nate Jones with any questions at njones@tcpca.org.

### MDO is hiring!

TCPC's Mother's Day Out program is beginning in September and still looking for two staff members and two substitute teachers. The hours are Tuesday/Thursday from 8:30-1:30 and the pay is \$13/hour. If you have a love for children ages 1-3 and are interested in learning more, please call, email, or text me at 706-877-2114 or mdo@tcpca.org. I look forward to hearing from you! - Malisa Anderson, MDO Director

#### Search Me O God

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