

**BLESSED ARE
THE MEEK,
FOR THEY SHALL
INHERIT THE EARTH.**

Matthew 5:5

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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Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“Even more than everlasting life, viewed in itself,
more than the unimaginable quantum leap in experience
and responsibility in the renewed cosmos,
the supreme blessing of heaven is to be with Christ,
not for a time, with a future ending casting a shadow over each moment,
but forever.”

- Robert Letham

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.

Order of Worship

October 17, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship

LEADER: Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol Him, all peoples!

PEOPLE: For great is His steadfast love toward us, and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever. Praise the LORD!

Hymn of Rejoicing *O For A Thousand Tongues To Sing*

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**O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer’s praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace**

**Jesus the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
‘Tis music in the sinner’s ears
‘Tis life and health and peace**

**He breaks the pow’r of canceled sin
He sets the pris’ner free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me**

**Hear Him ye deaf, ye voiceless ones
Your loosened tongues employ
Ye blind behold your Savior come
And leap ye lame for joy**

**My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread thru all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name**

Welcome & Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Pray for the meeting of the Ohio Valley Presbytery this Tuesday in Dayton, OH.

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 Psalm 37:1-11

Fret not yourself because of evildoers;
be not envious of wrongdoers!
For they will soon fade like the grass
and wither like the green herb.

Trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
Delight yourself in the LORD,
and He will give you the desires of your heart.

Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in Him, and He will act.
He will bring forth your righteousness as the light,
and your justice as the noonday.

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for Him;
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way,
over the man who carries out evil devices!

Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath!
Fret not yourself; it tends only to evil.
For the evildoers shall be cut off,
but those who wait for the LORD shall inherit the land.

In just a little while, the wicked will be no more;
though you look carefully at his place, he will not be there.
But the meek shall inherit the land
and delight themselves in abundant peace.

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

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.

Confession of God's People

UNISON: Lord, You are the author and finisher of our faith; only You can hear the cries of the suffering and satisfy the hunger of the poor. Forgive us, O God, when we fail to reflect Your love: when we have food and food leftover, yet we do not share with those in need; when we have power for good and power for change, yet we seek only our own self-preservation; when we have the words of the prophets before us, but cover our ears lest they make us uncomfortable. Forgive us, O Lord, and hear us as we silently confess our sins before You.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you repent of your lordship that enslaves you?

PEOPLE: We do.

LEADER: Do you return to Christ's lordship that frees you?

PEOPLE: We do.

Assurance of God's Pardon from 2 Corinthians 5

LEADER: For our sake God made Him who knew no sin to be sin, so that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.

Hymn of Renewal *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

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**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 redeeming 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 Thy grace, Lord, 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 Lord take and seal it seal it for Thy courts above
*Here's my heart Lord take and seal it seal it for Thy courts above***

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

Hymn of Preparation *I Will Glory In My Redeemer* (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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I will glory in my Redeemer
Whose priceless blood has ransomed me
Mine was the sin that drove the bitter nails
And hung Him on that judgment tree
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who crushed the power of sin and death
My only Savior before the holy Judge
The Lamb Who is my righteousness
The Lamb Who is my righteousness

I will glory in my Redeemer
My life He bought my love He owns
I have no longings for another
I'm satisfied in Him alone

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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.

I will glory in my Redeemer
His faithfulness my standing place
Though foes are mighty and rush up on me
My feet are firm held by His grace
My feet are firm held by His grace

I will glory in my Redeemer
Who carries me on eagle's wings
He crowns my life with loving kindness
His triumph song I'll ever sing
I will glory in my Redeemer
Who waits for me at gates of gold
And when He calls me it will be paradise
His face forever to behold
His face forever to behold
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Who waits for me at gates of gold
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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.

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:5

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

LEADER: The Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham

"Blessed Are The Meek"

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.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE:

Communion elements were passed out as you entered the Sanctuary. If you did not receive elements, please raise your hand and they will be brought to you. A gluten-free option is available as well.

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.

Profession of Faith and Baptism

9:00 - Clara Garrison

Holy Communion

Hymn of Response *Be Thou My Vision*

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**Be Thou my vision O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me save that Thou art
Thou my best thought by day or by night
Waking or sleeping Thy presence my light**

**Be Thou my wisdom and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me Lord
Thou my great Father and I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one**

**Be Thou my shield and my sword for the fight
Be Thou my dignity be Thou my might
Thou my soul's shelter and Thou my high tow'r
Raise Thou me heav'n-ward O pow'r of my pow'r**

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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.

Riches I heed not nor man's empty praise
Thou mine inheritance now and always
Thou and Thou only first in my heart
High King of heaven my treasure Thou art

High King of heaven my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys o bright heaven's Sun
Heart of my own heart whatever befall
Still be my vision O Ruler of all
Still be my vision O Ruler of all

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

Benediction

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



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

September Giving:	\$315,369	Total FY Giving (Oct-Sep):	\$2,436,665
September Goal:	\$239,683	Giving Goal (Oct-Sep):	\$2,508,840
Difference:	+\$75,685	Difference:	-\$72,175

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Join us for a Sunday School class in-between services!
Scan this QR code to find your class, or look for the signs in the Narthex.



Announcements

Foundations Weekend on November 5-6

Registration is now open for our next membership class on November 5 & 6. 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, scan this QR code. Please email Nate Jones with any questions at njones@tcpca.org.



Volunteers Needed for Hymn Sing Ministry

Each Sunday from 2:00-3:00pm, members of the TCPC community visit The Lafayette (senior housing facility) to sing classic hymns and socialize with residents. It's always a pleasant time of music and fellowship. For some of the housebound seniors, this is the closest thing to church they have. Volunteers are needed to sing, play instruments, and just hang out and talk -- beautiful voices are not required; all ages are welcome. There is a piano on site that we typically use for accompaniment. If you're interested in joining us once or twice a month, please contact Ellyn Washburne at washburnee@aol.com.

I Will Glory In My Redeemer


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2. I will glo - ry in my Re - deem - er, my life He
3. I will glo - ry in my Re - deem - er who car - ries



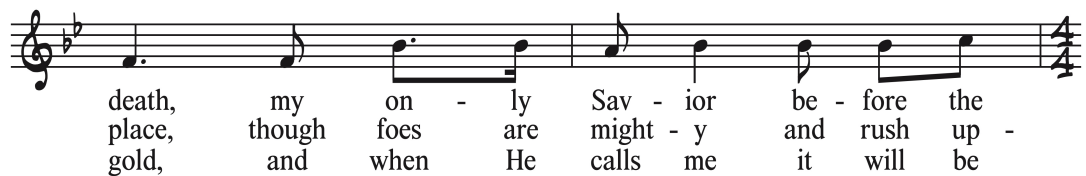
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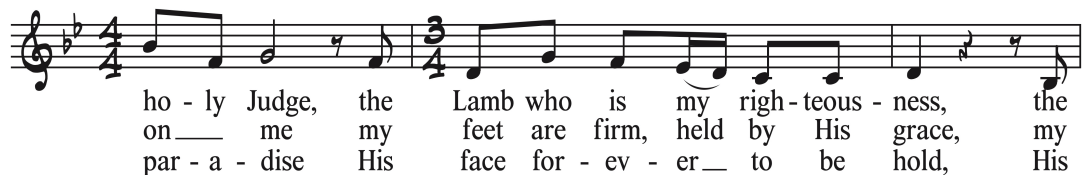
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glo - ry in my Re - deem - er who waits for me at gates of



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place, though foes are might - y and rush up -
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Lamb who is my righ - teous - ness.
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