



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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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.



Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“He comes the broken heart to bind,
The bleeding soul to cure,
And with the treasures of His grace,
To enrich the humble poor.”

- Philip Doddridge

COVER ARTWORK

Oak Trees and Shepherd

Aleksey Savrasov, 1860

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

November 21, 2021 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship

LEADER: We come to worship Christ

PEOPLE: Who proclaims good news to the poor, binds up the broken-hearted, frees the prisoner and comforts those who mourn.

LEADER: We come to worship Christ

PEOPLE: Who bestows a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of joy instead of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.

LEADER: We come to worship Christ

PEOPLE: Who rebuilds ancient ruins and restores broken places.

Hymn of Rejoicing *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
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

Membership Vows

11:15 - John & Catherine Carey

Choir Anthem *My Shepherd Will Supply My Need*

Text: Isaac Watts, based on Psalm 23

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My Shepherd will supply my need, Jehovah is His name, in pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wand'ring spirit back when I forsake His ways; and leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace. When I walk through the shades of death Your presence is my stay; one word of Your supporting breath drives all my fears away. Your hand in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; my cup with blessings overflows, Your oil anoints my head. The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; oh, may Your house be my abode, and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; no more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Matthew 5:2-12 and 22:37-39

And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

...

And He said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

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

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.

Confession of God’s People

UNISON:

Righteous Father,

**We who own more than we use,
proclaim more than we experience,
and request more than we need,
come asking Your forgiveness.**

We seek Your salvation, then act like we save ourselves.

We beg Your forgiveness, then repeat our errors.

We experience Your grace, then act defeated.

We rely on Your power, but only in hard times.

We have become confused and misguided.

Forgive our every defection.

**Bring us to an unbroken commitment and a steady trust,
through Jesus Christ, who is the *way* of hope,
the *truth* of God,
and the *life* of love,
now and always. Amen.**

- Silent Prayers of 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.

Repentance of God’s People

LEADER: Do you repent of your own 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

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.

Assurance of God’s Pardon from Psalm 145:13-14

LEADER: The LORD is faithful in all His words, and gracious in all His deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling, and raises up all who are bowed down.

Hymn of Renewal *The Lord Is My Salvation* (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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The grace of God has reached for me
And pulled me from the raging sea
And I am safe on this solid ground
The Lord is my salvation

I will not fear when darkness falls
His strength will help me scale these walls
I'll see the dawn of the rising sun
The Lord is my salvation

REFRAIN:

**Who is like the Lord our God
Strong to save faithful in His love
My debt is paid and the victory won
The Lord is my salvation**

My hope is hidden in the Lord
He flow'rs each promise of His Word
When winter fades I know spring will come
The Lord is my salvation

In times of waiting times of need
When I know loss when I am weak
I know His grace will renew these days
The Lord is my salvation (**REFRAIN**)

And when I reach the final day
He will not leave me in the grave
But I will rise He will call me home
The Lord is my salvation (**REFRAIN**)

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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.

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 *Jesus Strong And Kind*

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Jesus said that if I thirst
I should come to Him
No one else can satisfy
I should come to Him

Jesus said if I am weak
I should come to Him
No one else can be my strength
I should come to Him

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REFRAIN:

**For the Lord is good and faithful
He will keep us day and night
We can always run to Jesus
Jesus strong and kind**

Jesus said That if I fear
I should come to Him
No one else can be my shield
I should come to Him (**REFRAIN**)

Jesus said if I am lost
He will come to me
And He showed me on that cross
He will come to me (**REFRAIN**)

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 Isaiah 61

- 1**The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me
to bring good news to the poor;
He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;
- 2**to proclaim the year of the LORD'S favor,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
- 3**to grant to those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a beautiful headdress instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the garment of praise instead of a faint spirit;
that they may be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the LORD, that He may be glorified.
- 4**They shall build up the ancient ruins;
they shall raise up the former devastations;
they shall repair the ruined cities,
the devastations of many generations.
- 5**Strangers shall stand and tend your flocks;
foreigners shall be your plowmen and vinedressers;
- 6**but you shall be called the priests of the LORD;
they shall speak of you as the ministers of our God;

you shall eat the wealth of the nations,
 and in their glory you shall boast.

7 Instead of your shame there shall be a double portion;
 instead of dishonor they shall rejoice in their lot;
 therefore in their land they shall possess a double portion;
 they shall have everlasting joy.

8 For I the LORD love justice;
 I hate robbery and wrong;
 I will faithfully give them their recompense,
 and I will make an everlasting covenant with them.

9 Their offspring shall be known among the nations,
 and their descendants in the midst of the peoples;
 all who see them shall acknowledge them,
 that they are an offspring the LORD has blessed.

10 I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
 my soul shall exult in my God,
 for He has clothed me with the garments of salvation;
 He has covered me with the robe of righteousness,
 as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress,
 and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

11 For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
 and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up,
 so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness and praise
 to sprout up before all the nations.

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.**

Sermon Rev. Will Witherington
 “Him, Me, Us”

Musical Reflection

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!

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.

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.

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 *My Jesus I Love Thee*

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Unison on stanzas 3 and 4

My Jesus, I love Thee, I know Thou art mine;
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign;
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree;
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow;
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

I'll love Thee in life, I will love Thee in death,
And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me breath,
And say when the deathdew lies cold on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

In mansions of glory and endless delight,
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright;
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow:
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.

Benediction

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



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

October Giving: \$200,265
October Goal: \$201,694
Difference: -\$1,429

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:

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Announcements

Luncheon Today for All Interested in Reaching International Students

We believe that Jesus has called us to make disciples of all nations – what if God has brought all the nations to us? The University of Kentucky hosts 1,600+ international students every year from countries such as China, India, South Korea, Oman, and Saudi Arabia, but sadly, most of these students never get invited into an American home or make an American friend. Come to this informational session to learn more about how you can serve the international community in Lexington! (...and get free lunch!)

The Next Five Weeks of Sunday School

Over the next two months, there will be several events and gatherings during the Sunday School hour. Here's a summary of these events:

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

November 28: No Sunday School

December 5: Combined Sunday School: Update from the Garrison Family
(with coffee & donuts in the Fellowship Hall)

December 12: Bridge Class & Vine Class Combined Fellowship Brunch

December 19: No Sunday School

December 26: No Sunday School

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

November 28: No Sunday School

December 5: Regular Sunday School classes

December 12: Regular Sunday School classes

December 19: No Sunday School

December 26: No Sunday School

Decorating for Advent & Christmas

It takes many hands to decorate the church for Christmas each year, and we would love your help! We will gather at the church on Saturday, November 27th, starting at 9:00am, to decorate the Sanctuary. Please email Anna Hogan at ourjoyfulmommy@gmail.com if you are planning to join us!

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