

**“BLESSED ARE
THE PEACEMAKERS,
FOR THEY SHALL BE
CALLED SONS OF GOD.**

Matthew 5:9

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...

“When Jesus says, ‘Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God,’ He’s not calling His disciples to be content with merely strife-free relationships. The peace given to us in Scripture is the presence of well-being, wholeness, and harmony—things as they ought to be. This is what we long for.
True shalom.”

- Irwyn Ince

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

January 9, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship from Psalm 15

LEADER: O Lord, who may abide in Your tent? Who may dwell on Your holy hill?

PEOPLE: Those who walk blamelessly, and do what is right; and speak the truth from their heart.

LEADER: Those who do not slander with their tongue, and do no evil to their friends.

PEOPLE: Those who do these things shall never be moved.

LEADER: Let us worship God!

Hymn of Rejoicing *Oh How Good It Is* (Sheet Music on Page 10)

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Oh how good it is
When the family of God
Dwells together in spirit
In faith and unity
Where the bonds of peace
Of acceptance and love
Are the fruit of His presence
Here among us

**So with one voice we’ll sing to the Lord
And with one heart we’ll live out His word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His people**

Oh how good it is
On this journey we share
To rejoice with the happy
And weep with those who mourn
For the weak find strength
The afflicted find grace
When we offer the blessing
Of belonging

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REFRAIN:

**So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord
And with one heart we'll live out His word
Till the whole earth sees
The Redeemer has come
For He dwells in the presence of His people**

Oh how good it is
To embrace His command
To prefer one another
Forgive as He forgives
When we live as one
We all share in the love
Of the Son with the Father
And the Spirit (**REFRAIN**)

Welcome & Announcements**Ordination Vows**

9:00 - The Ordination of Chelcent Fuad to Holy Ministry

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Micah 4:1-5

It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and it shall be lifted up above the hills;
and peoples shall flow to it,
and many nations shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths.”
For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
He shall judge between many peoples,
and shall decide disputes for strong nations far away;
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
neither shall they learn war anymore;

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but they shall sit every man under his vine and under his fig tree,
and no one shall make them afraid,
for the mouth of the LORD of hosts has spoken.

For all the peoples walk
each in the name of its god,
but we will walk in the name of the LORD our God
forever and ever.

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: Creator - Restorer - Ruler: We are prone to point the finger at others and to pervert justice by exaggerated charges. We want the rich to feed the hungry, but not to share from our own provisions. We prefer charity in principle, but in practice evade our duty even to our own kin. Some of us live in half-empty houses while there are families crowded into rooms too small for them, if they have rooms at all. Forgive our failure to live up to the best we know and to let the oppressed go free even after You have freed us. Amen.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you repent of your self-centered neglect of God's mission?

PEOPLE: We do.

LEADER: Will you again choose to love this world as you have been loved?

PEOPLE: We will.

Assurance of God's Pardon from 2 Corinthians 5

LEADER: If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to Himself and gave us the message of reconciliation.

Hymn of Renewal *Christ Is Mine Forevermore* (Sheet Music on Page 11)

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**Mine are days that God has numbered
I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure
And forsake the King of kings**

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*But mine is hope in my Redeemer
Though I fall His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing
I am His forevermore*

Mine are tears in times of sorrow
Darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel
Where I see no earthly good

*But mine is peace that flows from heaven
And the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted
Christ completes His work in me*

Mine are days here as a stranger
Pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ I will encounter
Harm and hatred for His name

*But mine is armour for this battle
Strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver
Safely to the golden shore*

*And mine are keys to Zion city
Where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure
Christ is mine forevermore*

RESPOND Embrace the call of God

Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

LEADER: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

UNISON: That I am not my own, but belong—body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for Him.

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.

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 Love You Lord*

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I love You Lord
And I lift my voice
To worship You
O my soul rejoice
Take joy my King
In what You hear
May it be a sweet sweet sound
In Your ear

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 5:9

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

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

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham

“Blessed Are the Peacemakers”

Musical Reflection

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.

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.

Holy Communion

Hymn of Response *May The Mind Of Christ My Savior*

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May the mind of Christ, my Savior, live in me from day to day,
By His love and pow'r controlling all I do and say.

May the Word of God dwell richly in my heart from hour to hour,
So that all may see I triumph only through His pow'r.

May the peace of God my Father rule my life in ev'rything,
That I may be calm to comfort sick and sorrowing.

May the love of Jesus fill me as the waters fill the sea;
Him exalting, self abasing: this is victory.

May I run the race before me, strong and brave to face the foe,
Looking only unto Jesus as I onward go.

May His beauty rest upon me as I seek the lost to win,
And may they forget the channel, seeing only Him.

Benediction

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

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.

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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KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley
janetjwhitley@gmail.com

Announcements

Congregational Meeting on January 16

On Sunday, January 16, during the Sunday School hour, we will be holding a Congregational Meeting to give an update about the ministries of TCPC and the budget for this year.

Celebration of the Ordination of Chelcent Fuad

We are honored to be hosting the ordination service for Chelcent Fuad, one of our newest Global Partners from Indonesia, during today's 9:00 worship service. Please join us for a celebration of Chelcent's ordination during the Sunday School hour in the Fellowship Hall with breakfast items and coffee.

Children's Sunday School Kick-off Party Today

The Children's Ministry will have a small kick-off party today to mark the new semester of Children's Sunday School (Preschool-5th grade). Parents will drop off their kids in the Gym where they will meet with their teachers and have donuts! Each group will then go to their regular classroom, and parents will pick up their kids from the classrooms as usual. Even if your child didn't attend in the Fall, they are always welcome to start Sunday School at anytime! For more information please contact Nicole Dorton at ndorton@tcpca.org

Good of the Bluegrass Conference

Save the date! This year's Good of the Bluegrass Conference will take place from February 17-20, featuring Robert Cunningham as our main speaker. The topic of this year's conference will be "Sacred Eros: Celebrating the Glory of Gender and Sex." Registration will be open soon, be sure to check these announcements and the TCPC News email each week for more information.

Women's Morning Bible Study

The Wednesday morning Women's Bible study will resume on January 12, 2022 from 9-11am. Nursery will be provided, but children must be registered in advance (registration coming soon). We will be studying 1 Peter using Jen Wilkin's study book, "1 Peter: A Living Hope in Christ" which can be purchased on Amazon or Lifeway Press.

Communion Prep Team

TCPC is creating a new ministry team which will serve the church by preparing the communion elements on Sunday morning. The chief task of this service is to fill the communion cups with wine/juice. If you are willing to serve, it will require you to come to church by 8:00 am. This is a great ministry for a family to do together! If interested, contact Mark Randle (mrandle@tcpca.org) for more details.

Senior Ministry Luncheon

The next luncheon sponsored by the Senior Ministry will be on Sunday, January 16, in the Fellowship Hall following the second service. There will be lots of time for food and fellowship and a short program of music and ministry updates. These luncheons are open to all ages, not just seniors. It will be catered, so in order to be sure there's enough food, please RSVP by January 10 to Eileen Frisinger at bifrisinger@aol.com.

Update from Finance Committee

Thank you for your generosity to the work of the LORD! Going into December we were \$24,963 behind our giving goal and a giving goal of \$423,035 for December. You can see below we surpassed both. Praise the Lord for this significant month of giving. On top of that we also received over \$39,000 for Mercy and \$12,000 for missions.

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

December Giving:	\$518,754	Total FY Giving (Oct-Dec):	\$891,109
December Goal:	\$423,035	Giving Goal (Oct-Dec):	\$820,253
Difference:	+\$95,719	Difference:	-\$70,856

Oh How Good It Is

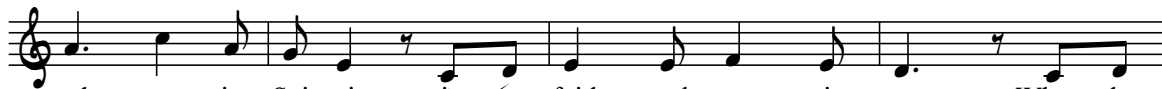
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1. Oh how good it is, when the fam - 'ly of God dwells to -
2. Oh how good it is, on this jour - ney we share, to re -
3. Oh how good it is to em - brace His com - mand to pre -



geth - er in Spi - rit, in faith and un - i - ty. Where the
joyce with the hap - py, and to weep with those who mourn. For the
fer one a - noth - er, to for - give as He for - gives. When we



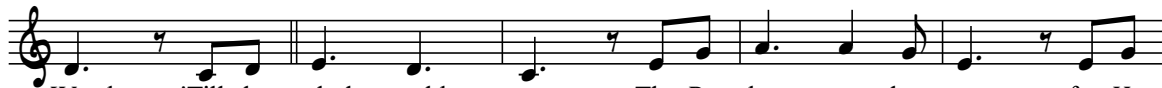
bonds of peace, of ac - cept - ance and love, are the fruit of His
weak find strength, the af - flict - ed find grace, when we of - fer the
live as one, we all share in the love of the Son with the



pre - sence here a - mong us. So with one voice we'll
bles - sing of be - long - ing.
Fa - ther and the Spi - rit.



sing to the Lord, and with one heart we'll live out His



Word. 'Till the whole world sees The Re - deem - er has come, for He



dwells in the pre - sence of His peo - ple.

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Mine are days that God has num - bered; I was made to walk with
Mine are tears in times of sor - row, dark-ness not yet un - der -
Mine are days here as a stran - ger, pil - grim on a nar - row



Him. Yet I look for world - ly treas - ure and for -
stood. Through the val - ley I must trav - el where I
way. One with Christ I will en - coun - ter harm and



sake the King of kings. But mine is hope in my Re -
see no earth - ly good. But mine is peace that flows from
ha - tred for His name. But mine is ar - mour for this
And mine are keys to Zi - on



deem - er; though I fall, His love is sure. For Christ has
heav - en, and the strength in times of need. I know my
bat - tle, strong e - nough to last the war. And He has
ci - ty where be - side the King I walk. For there my



paid for ev - 'ry fail - ing; I am
pain will not be wast - ed; Christ com -
said He will de - liv - er safe - ly
heart has found its treas - ure; Christ is



His for - ev - er - more.
pletes His work in me.
to the gold - en shore.
mine for - ev - er - more.

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