



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.

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...

“As Christians continue to be vilified, let us continue to rejoice and be exceedingly glad. It means we are salt, light, and with Him.”

- R.C. Sproul Jr.

COVER ARTWORK

Los Molinos, Ronda, Spain

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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

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 23, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship

LEADER: Happy are those who walk in God’s ways.

PEOPLE: Blessed are those who observe God’s commandments.

LEADER: Faithful are those whose eyes are fixed on righteousness.

PEOPLE: Joyful are those whose hearts are filled with praise.

LEADER: Come, let us love the Lord our God.

PEOPLE: We come to worship the One who leads us in the ways of life.

Hymn of Rejoicing *And Can It Be*

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**And can it be that I should gain
An interest in the Savior’s blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me?
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!**

**He left His Father’s throne above
So free so infinite His grace
Emptied Himself of all but love
And bled for Adam’s helpless race
‘Tis mercy all immense and free
For O my God it found out me
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!**

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay
Fast bound in sin and nature’s night
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray
I woke the dungeon flamed with light
My chains fell off my heart was free
I rose went forth and followed Thee**

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Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

No condemnation now I dread
Jesus and all in Him is mine
Alive in Him my living Head
And clothed in righteousness divine
Bold I approach th'eternal throne
And claim the crown through Christ my own
Amazing love! How can it be
That Thou my God shouldst die for me!

Welcome & Announcements

Membership Vows

11:15 - Kenzie Nevins

Choir Anthem *As Water To The Thirsty*

Timothy Dudley-Smith

K. Lee Scott

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As water to the thirsty, as beauty to the eyes, as strength that follows weakness, as truth instead of lies, as songtime and springtime and summertime to be, so is my Lord my living Lord, so is my Lord to me. Like calm in place of clamour, like peace that follows pain, like meeting after parting, like sunshine after rain, like moonlight and starlight and sunlight on the sea, so is my Lord, my living Lord, so is my Lord to me. As sleep that follows fever, as gold instead of grey, as freedom after bondage, as sunrise to the day, as home to the traveller and all we long to see, so is my Lord, my living Lord, so is my Lord to me.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us, Selah
that your way may be known on earth,
your saving power among all nations.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

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Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth. Selah
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you!

The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, shall bless us.
God shall bless us;
let all the ends of the earth fear him!

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: Father of all grace, we have neglected Your mission in this world. You have called us to engage, but we have retreated; to devotion, but we have been apathetic; to boldness, but we have feared the opinion of others; to suffering, but we have chosen comfort; to testify, but we have been silent; to redeem, but we have added to the corruption. Forgive us for our failures, O God, and restore in our hearts a loyalty to Your commission. Teach us to love this world as You have loved us, and use our lives for Your great purposes.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Will you repent of worldly apathy?

PEOPLE: We will.

LEADER: Will you return to the narrow way?

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 *Holy Father* (Music on Page 10)

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Confession of Faith from Westminster Catechism

LEADER: Who is the Redeemer of God's elect?

PEOPLE: The only Redeemer of God's elect is the Lord Jesus Christ, who, being the eternal Son of God, became man, and so was, and continues to be, God and man in two distinct natures, and one person, forever.

LEADER: What offices does Christ execute as our Redeemer?

PEOPLE: The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king, both in His estate of humiliation and exaltation.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a prophet?

PEOPLE: In revealing to us, by His Word and Spirit, the will of God for our salvation.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a priest?

PEOPLE: In His once offering up of Himself a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

LEADER: How does Christ execute the office of a king?

PEOPLE: In subduing us to Himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all His and our enemies.

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 Solo *Be Ye Glad*

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In these days of confused situations; in this night of a restless remorse; when the heart and the soul of a nation lay wounded and cold as a corpse; from the grave of the innocent Adam comes a song bringing joy to the sad, oh, your cry has been heard and the ransom has been paid up in full, be ye glad. Oh, be ye glad! Oh, be ye glad! Every debt that you've ever had has been paid up in full by the grace of the Lord. Be ye glad, be ye glad, be ye glad. Now from your dungeon a rumor is stirring, though you've heard it again and again. Now but this time your cell keys are turning and outside there are faces of friends. Though your body lay weary from wasting, and your eyes show show the sorrow they had, oh the love that your heart is now tasting has opened

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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.

the gate be ye glad! So be like lights on the rim of the water giving hope in a storm sea of night. Be a refuge amidst the slaughter of these fugitives in their flight. For you are timeless and part of a puzzle, you are winsome and young as a lad; and there is no disease or no struggle that can pull you from God, be ye glad!

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 5:13-16

13“You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people’s feet.

14“You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. **15**Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. **16**In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

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

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.

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham

“Salt and Light”

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!

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 *All Glory Be To Christ*

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Tune: Auld Lang Syne
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Should nothing of our efforts stand no legacy survive
Unless the Lord does raise the house in vain its builders strive
To you who boast tomorrow's gain tell me what is your life
A mist that vanishes at dawn all glory be to Christ

REFRAIN:

**All glory be to Christ our king
All glory be to Christ
His rule and reign we'll ever sing
All glory be to Christ**

His will be done His kingdom come on earth as is above
Who is Himself our daily bread praise Him the Lord of love
Let living water satisfy the thirsty without price
We'll take a cup of kindness yet all glory be to Christ (**REFRAIN**)

When on the day the great I Am the faithful and the true
The Lamb who was for sinners slain is making all things new
Behold our God shall live with us and be our steadfast light
And we shall e'er his people be all glory be to Christ (**REFRAIN**)

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:

Kathryn Lyon
KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley
janetjwhitley@gmail.com

Announcements

Sunday School Classes Resume Today

All Adult and Children's Sunday School Classes will resume their normal schedule today! Scan this QR code to find your class, or look for the signs in the Narthex.



Women's Bible Studies

MORNING

The Wednesday Morning Women's Bible study has resumed and will continue through the end of Spring each Wednesday from 9-11am. 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. Nursery is provided, but children must be registered in advance (link can be found in confirmation email after signing up for the Bible study). Sign up on the Women's Ministry page at tcpca.org/women.

EVENING

The Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study will begin on January 19 at 7:00 pm in the Lower Level Classroom. We will be studying "Saints and Scoundrels in the Story of Jesus" by Nancy Guthrie. You can purchase the book on Amazon, and the PDF version of the study guide is available for purchase on Nancy Guthrie's website. Links to the book and the PDF, as well as the signup form for this study, can be found on the Women's Ministry page at tcpca.org/women.

Volunteer with the Children's Ministry!

We are in need of a significant number of additional volunteers to run our Children's Ministries: Nursery, Gospel Storytime, and Sunday School. Come and serve our covenant kids! Visit the table in the Narthex before or after worship on Sunday to learn more, or contact Nicole Dorton at ndorton@tcpca.org.

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.

Good of the Bluegrass Conference

This year's GBCon will take place from February 17-20, with Robert Cunningham as our main speaker. The topic of this year's conference will be "Sacred Eros: Celebrating the Glory of Gender and Sex." Scan this QR code to visit the conference website where you can learn more and register.



Giving Report & 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.

December Giving: \$518,754
December Goal: \$423,035
Difference: +\$95,719

Total FY Giving (Oct-Dec): \$891,109
Giving Goal (Oct-Dec): \$820,253
Difference: +\$70,856

Holy Father

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Ho - ly Fa - ther we come be - fore - You, we of - fer You our
Pre - cious Je - sus I give my all to You, Your mer - cy res - cued
As we run may You go be - fore - us, stay near to us we



praise. At Your throne, take us and re - new - us, this is our an - them
me. Take my heart, make me whole, and help me stand, sur - rend - 'ring all my
pray. Hold our hands, guide our feet, and keep us strong a - long the nar - row



raised. You are migh - ty, strong to tri - umph! We are free from Sa - tan's
being. Born to suf - fer, born to save me, born a child and yet a
way. Giv'n to stray, Lord, hold us clo - ser. Giv'n to stray, Lord, we re -



hold! In our weak - ness You find us, re - vive us, make us bold! Ho - ly
King! I will love You for - ev - er and lift my voice to sing: "Hal - le -
sign to Your bless - ings un - end - ing and bound - less love di - vine! Lead us



Fa - ther we come be - fore You, we of - fer You our praise. At Your
lu - jah! O what a Sav - ior, His beau - ty rests on me!" Full of
on through these world - ly ra - ces, Lord, keep us in the stride. In Your



throne, take us and re - new - us, this is our an - them raised.
grace, Je - sus lift my wear - y eyes and give me vic - to - ry!
strength we will show our pa - ces; Your em - blem be our guide!



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