



Tates Creek
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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, or fill out the Visitor Card in your pew and place it in the Offering bowl.

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

"Our iniquity is not our identity. Our sexual or marital history may be marred by failure. This is true for most people, to one degree or another. But our history is not our destiny. What counts far more than our record of wrongs is the perfect faithfulness of our heavenly husband. We are holy in Jesus."

- Phil Ryken

COVER ARTWORK

Female Cerulean Warbler
Michelle Piscatello

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

August 14, 2022 at 9:00AM and 11:15AM

REJOICE Declare the praises of God

Call to Worship from Psalms 102-103

LEADER: In the beginning You laid the foundations of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands. They will perish, but You remain; they will all wear out like a garment.

PEOPLE: The children of Your servants will live in Your presence; their descendants will be established before You.

LEADER: We praise You Lord, who crowns us with love and compassion, who satisfies our desires with good things so that our youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

ALL: From everlasting to everlasting Your love is with those who fear You, O Lord, and Your righteousness to their children’s children, with those who keep Your covenant, and remember to obey Your commandments.

Hymn of Rejoicing *Jesus Shall Reign* (Music on Page 10)

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Unison on stanzas 1, 2, and 4

Jesus shall reign where’er the sun
Does His successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

To Him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown His head;
His name, like sweet perfume, shall rise
With every morning sacrifice.

Blessings abound where’er He reigns;
The pris’ner leaps to lose his chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all the sons of want are blest.

Let every creature rise and bring
Peculiar honors to our King,
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen!

Welcome & Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Pray for the students, teachers, and administrators returning to school.

The Lord's Prayer

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 51:1-17 (Pew Bible p. 474)

LEADER: All men are like grass, their glory like flowers of the field. The grass withers and the flowers fall...

PEOPLE: ...but the Word of the Lord stands forever.

Confession of God's People from Luke 9:23

LEADER: Jesus said to them, "If anyone wishes to be my disciple, let them deny themselves..."

PEOPLE: But we have treasured our sins, doubting the goodness of denial.

LEADER: ...take up their cross...

PEOPLE: But we have chosen comfort, avoiding the sufferings of repentance.

LEADER: ...and follow me."

PEOPLE: But we have held fast to control, fearing the costs of surrender.

- *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

Repentance of God's People

LEADER: Do you repent of your wounding lordship?

PEOPLE: We do.

LEADER: Do you return to Christ's healing lordship?

PEOPLE: We do.

Assurance of God's Pardon from Isaiah 1

LEADER: "Come now, let us reason together," declares the LORD. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be white as snow. Though they are red like crimson, they shall be white as wool."

Greeting of the Peace of Christ

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.

Hymn of Renewal *His Mercy Is More*

Matt Boswell | Matt Papa
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What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient all knowing He counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What Father so tender is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest the vilest the poor
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

What riches of kindness He lavished on us
His blood was the payment His life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many His mercy is more

*Praise the Lord His mercy is more
Stronger than darkness new every morn
Our sins they are many His mercy is more*

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.

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

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.

Hymn of Preparation *Good And Gracious King* (Music on Page 11)

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I approach the throne of glory
Nothing in my hands I bring
But the promise of acceptance
From a good and gracious King

I will give to You my burden
As You give to me Your strength
Come and fill me with Your Spirit
As I sing to You this praise

REFRAIN:

**You deserve the greater glory
Overcome I lift my voice
To the King in need of nothing
Empty handed I rejoice
You deserve the greater glory
Overcome with joy I sing
By Your love I am accepted
You're a good and gracious King**

O what grace that You would see me
As Your child and as Your friend
Safe secure in You forever
I pour out my praise again (**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 Matthew 5:27-30 (Pew Bible p. 810)

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

Sermon Rev. Robert Cunningham

“Adulterous Hearts”

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

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.

Hymn of Response *The Church's One Foundation*

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The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord
She is His new creation by water and the Word
From heav'n He came and sought her to be His holy bride
With His own blood He bought her and for her life He died

Elect from every nation yet one o'er all the earth
Her charter of salvation one Lord one faith one birth
One holy name she blesses partakes one holy food
And to one hope she presses with every grace endued

[Last two verses sung in unison]

'Mid toil and tribulation and tumult of her war
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore
Till with the vision glorious her longing eyes are blest
And Christ's great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest

Yet she on earth hath union with God the Three in One
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won
O happy ones and holy Lord give us grace that we
Like them the meek and lowly On high may dwell with Thee

Benediction

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



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

July Giving: \$166,112
July Goal: \$191,750
Difference: -\$25,638

Total FY Giving (Oct-Jul): \$2,110,572
Giving Goal (Oct-Jul): \$2,110,322
Difference: +\$250
FY Giving Goal (Oct-Sep): \$2,574,358
Remaining (Aug & Sep): -\$463,786

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

Fall Kickoff Picnic - August 21 at 6:00 PM

Join us on the evening of August 21 for a church-wide gathering with FREE food, activities, and inflatables. This is a great way to celebrate the start of a new ministry year and school year together as a church family. If you already know you're going to attend, please RSVP so we can plan ahead for food!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Gatherings like this are only possible when we have many volunteers from within our church community serving one another! We have LOTS of open slots for volunteers, including those who can move & set up tables, serve food, and supervise kids activities. Email Nicole Dorton (ndorton@tcpca.org) to volunteer!

Sign up for Parish Groups!

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. Scan this QR code to sign up by August 30.



Foundations on August 26-27

Registration is open for our next "Foundations" membership class on August 26 and 27. The sessions will take place Friday night and Saturday morning, with Friday dinner and Saturday breakfast provided. We invite anyone who is interested in pursuing membership and learning more about our church history and theology. To sign up, go to tcpca.org/foundations. Email questions to Nate Jones at njones@tcpca.org.

Women's Bible Study

MORNING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Morning Women's Bible Study will begin meeting on September 7 at 9:00 AM. We'll be using Jen Wilkin's study on 1 Samuel in the fall and 2 Samuel in the spring (materials have been ordered in bulk to save money and will be available for purchase). Childcare is offered in the nursery. Scan this QR code to sign up, and send questions to Julia Meadors at jamat10215@aol.com.

EVENING BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study will also begin meeting on September 7 at 7:00 PM, continuing our study of "Saints and Scoundrels in the Story of Jesus" by Nancy Guthrie. Scan this QR code to sign up, or email questions to Kay Sox at kaysox@gmail.com.



Sing with the Choir!

Choir will begin regular Wednesday rehearsals on September 7. We rehearse every Wednesday from 6:25-7:45 pm and childcare is available. If you're looking for a way to build community, serve TCPC, and enjoy God's great gift of music then choir is for you! We prepare pieces to sing in worship every other Sunday and for special services like Christmas and Easter. You don't have to have prior experience to sing in the choir. If you're curious about choir but unsure whether you want to join, feel free to come sing for a few rehearsals. Email Chelsea at csteyn@tcpca.org.

Mom's Day Out Teacher Positions Open

TCPC's Mom's Day Out program is looking for teachers for the 2022-2023 school year. These positions are perfect for college students or others who have experience with kids and would like part-time work. Moms who teach may enroll their children in the program free of charge. Teacher hours are 8:00am -1:00pm on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact Nicole Dorton (ndorton@tcpca.org) for more information.

Jesus Shall Reign

Isaac Watts | John Hatton

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Unison on stanzas 1, 2, and 4

1. Je - sus shall reign where - e'er the sun
2. To Him shall end - less prayer be made,
3. Bless - ings a - bound where e'er He reigns;
4. Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring

does His suc - ces - sive jour - neys run;
and prais - es throng to crown His head;
the pris - 'ner leaps to lose his chains;
pe - cu - liar hon - ors to our King;

His king - dom stretch from shore to shore,
His name like sweet per - fume shall rise
the wea - ry find e - ter - nal rest,
an - gels de - scend with songs a - gain,

'til moons shall wax and wane no more.
with ev - 'ry mor - ning sac - ri - fice.
and all who suf - fer want are blest.
and earth re - peat the loud a - men!

Good And Gracious King

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1. I ap-proach the throne of glo-ry; noth-ing in my hands I
2. I will give to You my bur-den as You give to me Your



bring, but the prom-ise of ac-cept-ance from a good and gra-cious King.
strength; come and fill me with Your Spi-rit as I sing to You this praise.

Refrain (after V.2)



You de-serve the great-er glo-ry. O-ver-come, I lift my voice



to the King in need of noth-ing, emp-ty hand-ed I re-joice.



You de-serve the great-er glo-ry. O-ver-come with joy I sing.



By Your love I am ac-cept-ed. You're a good and gra-cious King.

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