

PSALMS OF JOY & THANKSGIVING

PSALM 16



# 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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**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 **[tc pca.org/visitor](http://tc pca.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.



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**Officers On Duty** Today's points of contact for spiritual or physical needs.

**Elder on duty:**

Chuck Sox

**Deacons on duty:**

Ralph Haddock and Ethan Johnson

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## *Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...*

“The Spirit of God has a programme for providing the only mental and emotional wellness that can endure the day of judgment. He gives the peace *with* God that comes with the collapse of a sinner’s self-esteem at the foot of the cross, and He gives the peace of God, in which the Spirit assures us that we are children *of* God in Christ. To cherish that work of the Spirit, we need to think of the Gift before the gifts. Like the Levites of old, we have the Lord Himself as our inheritance. The Psalmist embraced that promise: God Himself is his portion, his joy. To possess, in the Spirit, the Lord Himself is the seal and down-payment of glory.”

- Debra Rienstra

### **COVER ARTWORK**

*Cape Nelson Lighthouse, Australia*

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# Order of Worship

June 25, 2023 at 9:00 and 11:15 AM

## Liturgy Notes

Do you have questions about how we worship? This column answers the “what” and “why” of each element of our liturgy.

### PLEASE NOTE:

During responsive readings, the part of the Leader will be in plain text, **and the part of the People will be in bold.**

## 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.

## REJOICE Declare the praises of God

### Call to Worship from Nehemiah 9, Psalm 16, and Luke 10

The Lord alone is God. He has made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. May all the host of heaven and all that is below worship Him.

**Preserve me, O God, for in You I take refuge. I say to the Lord, “You are my Lord.”**

In the presence of the Lord there is fullness of joy;

**At His right hand are pleasures forevermore.**

Draw near to the Lord, sit at His feet, listen to His teaching, and worship Him.

### Hymn *For All The Saints (Music on Page 10)*

Author: William Walsham How

Tune: SINE NOMINE

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For all the saints who from their labors rest  
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed  
Thy name O Jesus be forever blest  
Alleluia

Thou wast their Rock their Fortress and their Might  
Thou Lord their Captain in the well-fought fight  
Thou in the darkness drear their one true Light  
Alleluia

O may Thy soldiers faithful true and bold  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor’s crown of gold  
Alleluia

But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array  
The King of glory passes on His way  
Alleluia

And when the strife is fierce the warfare long  
Steals on the ear the distant triumph song  
And hearts are brave again and arms are strong  
Alleluia

# Welcome & Announcements

## Membership Vows

11:15 - Graham & Mariah Duncan

## **RENEW** Receive the grace of God

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### **Scripture Reading** Acts 2:22-33 (Pew Bible p. 910)

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** from The Valley of Vision

**Life-giving God, quicken me to call upon Thy name, for my mind is ignorant, my thoughts vagrant, my affections earthly, my heart unbelieving, and only thy Spirit can help my infirmities. I approach Thee as Father and Friend, my portion for ever, my exceeding joy, my strength of heart. My guilty fears discourage an approach to Thee, but I praise Thee for the blessed news that Jesus reconciles Thee to me. May the truth that is in Him illuminate in me all that is dark, establish in me all that is wavering, comfort in me all that is wretched, accomplish in me all that is of Thy goodness, and glorify in me the name of Jesus. Teach me that Christ cannot be the way if I am the end, that He cannot be Redeemer if I am my own savior, that there can be no true union with Him while the creature has my heart, that faith accepts Him as Redeemer and Lord or not at all.**

- *Silent Prayers of Confession* -

### **Repentance of God's People**

Do you turn from your sin of seeking to control your life? **We do.**

Do you turn from your sin of not seeking God's will in your life? **We do.**

Do you turn from your sin of loving created things more than the Creator? **We do.**

### **Assurance of God's Pardon** from Romans 5:1

By faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **Greeting of the Peace of Christ**

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#### **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.

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#### **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.

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#### **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** *Living Hope* **(Music on Page 11)**

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How great the chasm that lay between us  
How high the mountain I could not climb  
In desperation I turned to heaven  
And spoke Your name into the night  
Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness  
Tore through the shadows of my soul  
The work is finished the end is written  
Jesus Christ my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy  
What heart could fathom such boundless grace  
The God of ages stepped down from glory  
To wear my sin and bear my shame  
The cross has spoken I am forgiven  
The King of kings calls me His own  
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever  
Jesus Christ my living hope

### **REFRAIN:**

*Hallelujah praise the One who set me free  
Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me  
You have broken every chain  
There's salvation in Your name  
Jesus Christ my living hope*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise  
Your buried body began to breathe  
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion  
Declared the grave has no claim on me **(REFRAIN)**

*Jesus Christ my living hope  
God You are my living hope*

## Confession of Faith Westminster Shorter Catechism Qs. 1 and 38

What is the chief end of man?

**The chief end of man is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.**

What benefits do believers receive from Christ at the resurrection?

**At the resurrection, believers being raised up in glory shall be openly acknowledged and acquitted on the day of judgment, and made perfectly blessed in the full enjoyment of God to all eternity.**

## 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 *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Helen H. Lemmel

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Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in His wonderful face  
And the things of earth  
Will grow strangely dim  
In the light of His glory and grace

### **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 Psalm 16 (p. 453)

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon Rev. Will Witherington

**“The Highest State of Happiness”**

## The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

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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.

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## 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.

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## 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:

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

Let us together proclaim the hope of the Church:

**Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ shall come again!**

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 *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*

## Benediction

Go love your God. **Go love your neighbor.**



## Giving Report

For more information, visit [tcpca.org/give](http://tcpca.org/give).

May Giving: \$159,553

May Goal: \$163,729

**Difference: -\$4,176**

FY Giving from Oct-May: \$1,724,415

Giving Goal for Oct-May: \$1,855,598

**Difference:**

**FY Giving Goal (Oct-Sep):**

\$1,724,415

\$1,855,598

**-\$131,183**

**\$2,728,820**

## 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](mailto:KRL40502@aol.com)

Janet Whitley

[janetjwhitley@gmail.com](mailto:janetjwhitley@gmail.com)

## ACCESS Prayer Group

The Access Prayer Group meets each Thursday at 12:30 PM to pray for our church and our community. Send prayer requests to:

Mary Beth Moore

[mdmoorefamily@gmail.com](mailto:mdmoorefamily@gmail.com)



# Announcements

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## **Tuesday Fellowship Nights - July 11, 18, and 25**

During the month of July, we will be hosting three fellowship nights here at TCPC! Weather permitting, we will eat dinner together outside and have lots of fun activities for kids to enjoy. RSVP for our first fellowship night on July 11 by scanning this QR code, or go to [tcpca.org](http://tcpca.org) and click on the Tuesday Fellowship Night button.



## **Senior Ministry Luncheon on July 16**

Come join us for our next luncheon in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the second service on July 16. Since the summertime is the season for family vacation gatherings, our program is going to be a panel discussion about sharing and recording family stories as a legacy for the generations to come. All ages are welcome to attend, but since this is a free lunch please help us by making a reservation so that we'll be sure to have enough food and have your name tag ready for you! Respond by July 12 to Eileen Frisinger at [bifrisinger@aol.com](mailto:bifrisinger@aol.com).

## **Women's Retreat on September 8-9**

The Women's Ministry invites you to join us for our Fall Retreat! The theme is "Bring Shalom" and the retreat will include teaching times, small group discussion, fellowship, music, activities, prayer, and lots of fun. We will meet starting with dinner on Friday, September 8th, and conclude around lunch the next day. This will all take place at the Origin Hotel, and we would love for you book a room and stay the night with friends (scan QR code and look for "Origin Hotel Booking" button). The registration fee is \$65 from now until July 1, and is \$80 after July 1. Learn more and register today by scanning this QR code or go to [tcpca.org/women](http://tcpca.org/women).



# For All The Saints

Author: William Walsham How

Tune: SINE NOMINE

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1. For all the saints who from their labors rest, who  
2. Thou wast their Rock, their Fortress and their Might; Thou,  
3. O may thy soldiers, faithful, true, and bold \_\_\_\_\_  
4. But lo! there breaks a yet more glorious day; \_\_\_\_\_  
5. And when the strife is fierce, the warfare long, \_\_\_\_\_



thee \_\_\_\_\_ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy  
Lord, \_\_\_\_\_ their cap - tain in the well - fought fight; \_\_\_\_\_  
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and  
the saints tri - um - phant rise in bright ar - ray the  
steals on the ear the dis - tant tri - umph song, and



name, O \_\_\_\_\_ Je - sus, be for - ev - er \_\_\_\_\_ blest:  
Thou, in the dark - ness drear, their one true light:  
win with \_\_\_\_\_ them the vic - tor's crown of \_\_\_\_\_ gold: Al -  
King of \_\_\_\_\_ glo - ry pas - ses on \_\_\_\_\_ His \_\_\_\_\_ way:  
hearts are \_\_\_\_\_ brave a - gain, and arms are \_\_\_\_\_ strong:



- le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

# Living Hope

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1. How great the cha - sm that lay be - tween us, how high the  
2. Who could i mag - ine so great a mer - cy? What heart could  
3. Then came the morn - ing that sealed the pro - mise. Your bur - ied



moun - tain I could not climb. In des - per - a - tion I turned to  
fath - om such bound - less grace? The God of a - ges stepped down from  
bod - y be - gan to breathe. Out of the si - lence, the roar - ing



heav - en and spoke Your name in - to the night. Then through the  
glo - ry to wear my sin and bear my shame. The cross has  
Li - on de - clared the grave has no claim on me! **To Refrain**



dark - ness Your lov - ing - kind - ness tore through the shad - ows of my soul. The work is  
spo - ken, I am for - giv - en. The King of Kings calls me His own. Beau - ti - ful



fin - ished, the end is writ - ten. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing hope.  
Sav - ior, I'm Yours for - ev - er. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing hope.

## REFRAIN



Hal - le - lu - jah! Praise the One who set me free! Hal - le -



lu - jah! Death has lost its grip on me. You have bro - ken ev - 'ry chain, there's sal -



va - tion in Your name. Je - sus Christ, my liv - ing hope!

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