

THE PRAYERS OF OUR SAVIOR

JOHN 17

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.



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

Elder on duty:
Dan Breedon

Deacons on duty:
Ben Commerford and James Veldhorst

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship...

“Christianity didn’t begin with **something** people knew.
It began with **someone** people saw..”

- Ian Simkins

COVER ARTWORK

Photo by David Gavi

Order of Worship

August 6, 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 Psalm 24

Lift up your head, O gates! And be lifted up, O ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, mighty in battle! Lift up your heads, O gates, that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

ALL: The LORD of hosts, He is the King of glory.

Hymn *My Hope Is Built On Nothing Less*

Edward Mote | William Bradbury
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My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus’ blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly lean on Jesus’ name

REFRAIN:

*On Christ the Solid Rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

When darkness veils His lovely face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In ev’ry high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil **(REFRAIN)**

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood
Shen all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay **(REFRAIN)**

When He shall come with trumpet sound
O may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless to stand before the throne **(REFRAIN)**

Welcome & Announcements

Baptism

9:00 - Myles Elliot Terry, baptism, son of Braden & Emily

Declaration to Our Covenant Children from the Church of Scotland

For you Jesus Christ came into the world. For you He lived and showed God's love. For you He suffered the darkness of Calvary. For you He triumphed over death and rose to new life. For you He reigns at God's right hand. All this He did for you, Myles, though you do not know it yet.

RENEW Receive the grace of God

Scripture Reading Exodus 33:17-23 (Pew Bible p. 74)

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 Book of Common Worship

God of grace and truth, in Jesus Christ You came among us as light shining in darkness. We confess that we have not welcomed the light, or trusted good news to be good. We have closed our eyes to glory in our midst, expecting little, and hoping for less. Forgive our doubt and renew our hope, so that we may receive the fullness of Your grace and live in the truth of Christ the Lord. Amen.

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

Repentance of God's People

Do you turn from the sin of putting your hope in things which can never satisfy your heart's desire? **We do.**

Do you repent of your sin of seeking your own kingdom instead of Christ's kingdom? **We do.**

Will you leave your life of conflict and truly seek God's peace for this world? **We will.**

Assurance of God's Pardon from 2 Corinthians 4:13-15

Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, "I believed, and so I spoke," we also believe, and so we also speak, knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

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 *How Deep The Father's Love For Us*

Stuart Townend
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How deep the Father's love for us how vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything no gifts no pow'r no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

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 The Apostles Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty, from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; the holy catholic[†] Church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

† Worldwide communion of faith, past, present, and future.

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 *Glorify Thy Name*

Donna Adkins
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Father we love You
We worship and adore You
Glorify Thy name in all the earth
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name
Glorify Thy name in all the earth

Jesus...

Spirit...

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.

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.

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

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 *We Will Glorify*

Twila Paris
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» *The Mercy Fund offering will be collected at the beginning of this hymn.*

We will glorify the King of kings we will glorify the Lamb
We will glorify the Lord of lords who is the great I AM

Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty we will bow before His throne
We will worship Him in righteousness we will worship Him alone

He is Lord of heaven Lord of earth He is Lord of all who live
He is Lord above the universe all praise to Him we give

Hallelujah to the King of kings hallelujah to the Lamb
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords who is the great I AM

Benediction

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



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

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

Giving Report

For more information, visit tcpca.org/give.

June Giving: \$171,680
June Goal: \$163,729
Difference: +\$7,951

FY Giving from Oct-Jun: \$1,896,095
Giving Goal for Oct-Jun: \$2,019,327
Difference: -\$123,232

FY Total Giving Goal (Oct-Sep): \$2,728,820

Announcements

Sign Up for Parish Groups for the Fall!

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. **Please sign up by August 31** if you would like to join a Parish Group. If you were in a group last year, we still need you to fill out the signup for this year, even if you are staying in the same group. Scan this QR code to sign up today.



Nursery Childcare Program: Tuesdays this Fall!



Our nursery will be starting a playtime program on Tuesday mornings this Fall, led by Amber Waldrop. The program starts on August 22, 2023. This will be a time for parents to drop off their children for childcare from 9:00am-11:30am. The cost will be \$18 per child (additional siblings \$15). Please scan this QR code for more information and to apply.

"Tates Creek at Tates Creek" Golf Outing

Calling all golfers! On Saturday, August 19, we will be holding the inaugural "Tates Creek at Tates Creek" golf outing at the Tates Creek Golf Course for all adults (18 and over) who would like to play. Scramble teams will be randomly drawn based on pre-determined handicap ranges. Golfers should plan on arriving at the course no later than 11:00 AM. Scan this QR code to register to play!



Serve in the Children's Ministry this Fall!



Our Children's Ministry program is growing and we need your help to "tell the coming generation the glorious deeds of the Lord" (Psalm 78). There are openings for Nursery, Sunday School and Gospel Storytime teachers. Please scan this QR code to fill out an interest form and Nicole Dorton will be in touch with you soon to find the best fit!

Trinity Job Opening

Trinity Christian Academy is seeking applicants for the positions of Early Learning teacher's aides and Elementary teacher's aides. Please email Vicki White at vwhite@trinitylex.org for more information and to apply.

Women's Ministry Announcements

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 \$80. Learn more and register today by scanning this QR code or go to tcpca.org/women.



Women's Bible Study on Wednesday Mornings

The Wednesday Morning Women's Bible study will begin on September 13, 9:00 - 11:00 AM, with nursery provided. We will be studying the first half of the Gospel of Matthew using Jen Wilkin's study materials. There is also an option to join the group via video call each week if you are unable to attend in-person. Cost of materials is \$10. Signup for the Bible Study and for childcare today at tcpca.org/women or scan this QR code. If you have any questions, please contact Julia Meador at jamat10215@aol.com.

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