

## 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...

"Of all clothing, none is so graceful, none wears so well and none is so rare as true humility."

- J.C. Ryle

#### **COVER ARTWORK**

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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

#### Congregational Singing

call.

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 convic-

tion is beautiful to our God.

### Order of Worship

November 8, 2020 at 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM

**REJOICE** Declare the praises of God

#### **Prelude**

#### Call to Worship

LEADER: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; sing the glory of His name; give to Him glorious praise.

PEOPLE: All the earth worships You; they sing praises to You, sing praises to Your name.

#### **Hymn of Rejoicing** Rejoice The Lord Is King

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Rejoice the Lord is King your Lord and King adore

Rejoice give thanks and sing and triumph evermore Lift up your heart

Lift up your voice rejoice again I say rejoice

Jesus the Saviour reigns the God of truth and love

When He had purged our stains He took His seat above Lift up your heart

Lift up your voice rejoice again I say rejoice

His kingdom cannot fail He rules o'er earth and heaven The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus given

Lift up your heart Lift up your voice rejoice again I say rejoice

Rejoice in glorious hope for Christ the Judge shall come To gather all His saints to their eternal home

Lift up your heart

Lift up your voice rejoice again I say rejoice

#### **Welcome & Announcements**

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

### Scripture Reading Genesis 12:1-3

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. And I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and him who dishonors you I will curse, and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed."

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.

LEADER: And God spoke all these words, saying, "I am the Lord your God

who brought you out of the land of Egypt out of the house of slavery. You

#### **Confession of God's People**

shall have no other gods before me..." PEOPLE: But we have failed to worship you alone

## LEADER: You shall not make for yourself graven images....

PEOPLE: But we have crafted our own idols

LEADER: You shall not take the name of the Lord in vain...

#### PEOPLE: But we have profaned Your glory

PEOPLE: But we have been self-sufficient

LEADER: Honor your father and your mother... PEOPLE: But we have despised authority

#### LEADER: You shall not murder...

LEADER: Remember the Sabbath...

PEOPLE: But we have been hateful

LEADER: You shall not commit adultery...

#### PEOPLE: But we have been lustful LEADER: You shall not steal...

### PEOPLE: But we have been unjust

LEADER: You shall not bear false witness...

#### PEOPLE: But we have been dishonest

LEADER: You shall not covet...

#### PEOPLE: But we have been discontent

- Silent Prayers of Confession -

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.

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 al-

ready ours in Christ Jesus.

Repentance of God's People Our time of confession becomes a

time of fresh commitment through

# 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.

the Church.

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,

### **Repentance of God's People** LEADER: Are you sorrowful and broken over your transgressions and sins?

alone, and seeking to obey Him alone?

Assurance of God's Pardon from Romans 6

Confession of Faith Heidelberg Catechism Question 1

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

LEADER: Do you return again to the one true God, trusting in His grace

LEADER: For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law

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

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

PEOPLE: We are.

PEOPLE: We do.

but under grace.

### Hymn of Renewal Behold Our God (Music on Page 9) Jonathan Baird | Meghan Baird | Ryan Baird | Stephen Altrogge

© 2011 Sovereign Grace Praise **RESPOND** Embrace the call of God

Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;

#### 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

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 Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. **Offertory Prayer** 

## **Hymn of Preparation** *Christ The Sure And Steady Anchor* (Sheet Music on Page 10)

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Christ the sure and steady anchor in the fury of the storm When the winds of doubt blow through me and my sails have all been torn In the suffering in the sorrow when my sinking hopes are few I will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor while the tempest rages on When temptation claims the battle and it seems the night has won Deeper still then goes the anchor though I justly stand accused I will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor through the floods of unbelief Hopeless somehow O my soul now lift your eyes to Calvary This my ballast of assurance see His love forever proved All my hope is in the anchor it shall never be removed

Christ the sure and steady anchor as we face the wave of death When these trials give way to glory as we draw our final breath We will cross that great horizon clouds behind and life secured And the calm will be the better for the storms that we endured

Christ the shore of our salvation ever faithful ever true We will hold fast to the anchor it shall never be removed

#### **Scripture Reading** Acts 10:1-33

was known as the Italian Cohort, 2a devout man who feared God with all his household, gave alms generously to the people, and prayed continually to God. 3About the ninth hour of the day he saw clearly in a vision an angel of God come in and say to him, "Cornelius." 4And he stared at him in terror and said, "What is it, Lord?" And he said to him, "Your prayers and your alms have ascended as a memorial before God. 5And now send men to Joppa and bring one Simon who is called Peter. 6He is lodging with one Simon, a tanner, whose house is by the sea." 7When the angel who spoke to him had departed, he called two of his servants and a devout soldier from among those who attended him, 8 and having related everything to them, he sent them to Joppa.

1At Caesarea there was a man named Cornelius, a centurion of what

**9**The next day, as they were on their journey and approaching the city, Peter went up on the housetop about the sixth hour to pray. **10** And he became hungry and wanted something to eat, but while they were preparing it, he fell into a trance **11** and saw the heavens opened and something like a great

to heaven.

sheet descending, being let down by its four corners upon the earth. 12 In it

were all kinds of animals and reptiles and birds of the air. 13 And there came a voice to him: "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." 14 But Peter said, "By no means, Lord; for I have never eaten anything that is common or unclean." 15 And the voice came to him again a second time, "What God has made clean, do not call

common." 16 This happened three times, and the thing was taken up at once

17 Now while Peter was inwardly perplexed as to what the vision that

he had seen might mean, behold, the men who were sent by Cornelius, having made inquiry for Simon's house, stood at the gate 18 and called out to ask whether Simon who was called Peter was lodging there. 19 And while Peter was pondering the vision, the Spirit said to him, "Behold, three men

are looking for you. 20 Rise and go down and accompany them without hesitation, for I have sent them." 21 And Peter went down to the men and

said, "I am the one you are looking for. What is the reason for your coming?" 22And they said, "Cornelius, a centurion, an upright and God-fearing man, who is well spoken of by the whole Jewish nation, was directed by a holy

angel to send for you to come to his house and to hear what you have to say." 23 So he invited them in to be his guests.

fell down at his feet and worshiped him. 26But Peter lifted him up, saying,

The next day he rose and went away with them, and some of the

brothers from Joppa accompanied him. 24And on the following day they entered Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends. 25 When Peter entered, Cornelius met him and

"Stand up; I too am a man." 27 And as he talked with him, he went in and found many persons gathered. 28 And he said to them, "You yourselves know how unlawful it is for a Jew to associate with or to visit anyone of another nation, but God has shown me that I should not call any person common or unclean. 29 So when I was sent for, I came without objection. I ask then why

30 And Cornelius said, "Four days ago, about this hour, I was praying in my house at the ninth hour, and behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing 31 and said, 'Cornelius, your prayer has been heard and your alms have been remembered before God. 32 Send therefore to Joppa and ask for Simon who is called Peter. He is lodging in the house of Simon, a tanner, by the sea.' 33So I sent for you at once, and you have been kind enough to come. Now therefore we are all here in the presence of God to hear all that

you have been commanded by the Lord."

you sent for me."

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

**Sermon** Rev. Robert Cunningham, Senior Minister

"Understanding Israel's Misunderstandings"

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.

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

Sermon

### 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 glutenfree 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 Fairest Lord Jesus (Music on Page 11)

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#### **Benediction**

Difference:

MINISTER: Go love your God;

PEOPLE: Go love your neighbor.



### **Giving Report:** For more info, visit tcpca.org/give

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September Giving:

September Goal:

\$277,254 Total FY Giving (Oct-Sep): \$283,755

\$2,340,786 Total FY Expenses (Oct-Sep): \$2,493,640 Difference: -\$152,854

> Kathryn Lyon KRL40502@aol.com

Janet Whitley

#### 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.

#### Benediction The minister raises His hands and

in Christ Jesus!

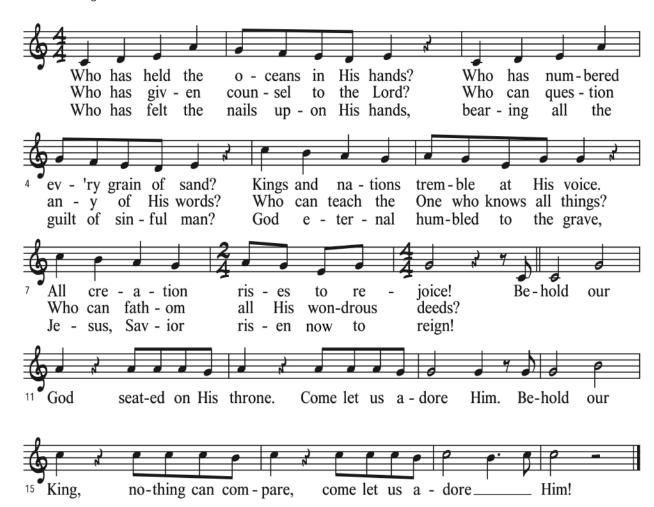
pronounces God's benediction over the congregation, sending them forth with assurance from on high. Stretch forth your hands and open wide vour hearts to receive the abundant blessings that are yours

### **Praver Chain**

If you would like to share prayer requests with our church prayer chain, we would love to pray for vou. Please feel free to send an email to:

janetjwhitley@gmail.com

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### Sunday School Pods & Children's Sunday School

Mac Holt Pod: Lower Level Classroom
Mark Randle Pod: Lower Level Boardroom

Nate Jones Pod: Fellowship Hall Richmond Pod: Gymnasium

Please check in at the Trinity main entrance for children's classes:

Preschool, Pre-K, and Kindergarten: Youth Room

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Grade: 5th Grade Classroom above Gym

4th, 5th, and 6th Grade: Music Room above Gym

#### **Christ The Sure And Steady Anchor**

Matthew Boswell | Matthew Papa CCLI License #247013 © 2015 Messenger Hymns, Getty Music Publishing Christ, the and stea-dy chor. the fu of the sure in an ry 2. Christ, the and stea-dy chor, while the temp est rag - es sure an 3. Christ, the of un - be sure and stea-dy chor, through the floods an 4. Christ, the and stea-dy chor, as we face the wave of sure an -When the doubt blow storm; winds of through me, and my When temp - ta tion claims the bat tle and it on; lief; 0, Hope - less how. my soul, lift some now your When these death; trials give way to glo ry as we sails have all been In the suf f'ring, in the torn. the night has Deep - er still, then, goes the seems won. Cal - va This, bal last of eyes to my as ry. draw will our fin - al breath we cross that great ho -Christ, the shore of sal our hopes are sink few: will wor row, when my ing I I I will though ly stand cused; an chor, just ac -His love for proved. I will see er su rance, ev hind life and the ri zon. clouds be and se cure: ful, We will tion: faith ev erev - er true. va hold chor. it shall fast to the be re - moved. an nev er hold it shall fast the chor, be moved. to an nev er re hold fast the chor, it shall be moved. to an nev er

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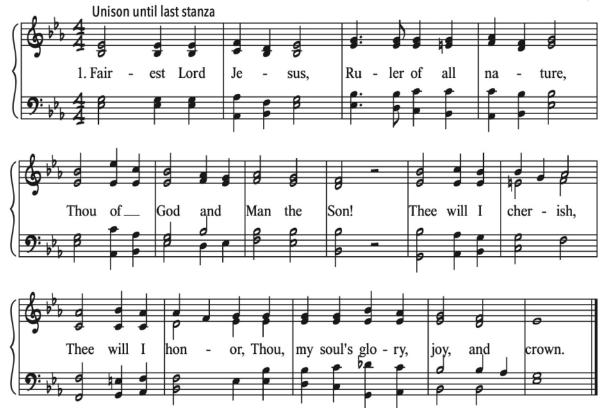
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#### **Fairest Lord Jesus**

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- 2. Humble in spirit, emptied as a servant, Thou, Living Bread, from heav'n came down; Food for the hungry, Truth for the simple, to show Thy steadfast love abounds.
- 3. Fair is the sunshine, fairer still the moonlight, And all the twinkling, starry host.

  Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
  Than all the angels heav'n can boast.
- 4. Beautiful Savior! Lord of all nations! Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forevermore be Thine.

#### **Announcements**

#### **VERITAS Sunday School Class**

The VERITAS Adult Sunday School Class meets each Sunday in between services, studying the Epistle to the Galatians, Chapters 3-6. Our teacher will be Ron Whitley. You are welcome to join us in the Parlor, or virtually via Zoom. Kindly e-mail Harry Standinger (hstandin@hotmail.com) if you plan to attend in-person, or to receive a link to the virtual meeting.

#### **Angel Tree**

'Tis the season to sponsor an Angel Tree child! This year is a bit different and will not require you to purchase a gift on your own, you can simply select a child and sponsor them with a \$22 donation. Prison Fellowship will take care of sending a gift card to the child along with a message from their imprisoned parent and a gospel message. To sponsor a child, go to **tcpca.org/angeltree** (access code is **D48DE**). From there you can select the children you wish to sponsor and pay for your child directly on the site. You can elect yes or no for additional sponsorship, but please note that you are not obligated to sponsor additional child(ren) or the parent. If you have any questions or trouble using the website, please email the church office at contact@tcpca.org.

#### **Communion At Home**

With the challenge of in-person attendance at Sunday worship service comes the inability to offer communion to those who are unable to attend. If you are unable to attend, because of risk factors related to Covid, our pastoral staff are happy to visit you at your home and offer the elements during the week at a time that is convenient for you. Please email Mark Randle (mrandle@tcpca.org) or call the office (859-272-4399) if you would like to receive communion at your home.

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