

To all who are weary and need rest,
To all who mourn and long for comfort,
To all who feel worthless and wonder if God cares,
To all who fail and desire strength,
To all who sin and need a Savior,
This church opens wide her doors
with a welcome from Jesus Christ,
the Ally of his enemies,
the Defender of the guilty,
the Justifier of the inexcusable,
the Friend of sinners.
Welcome!

Denton Presbyterian

LORD'S DAY WORSHIP

Membership Vows

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Do you acknowledge yourselves to be sinners in the sight of God, justly deserving His displeasure, and without hope save in His sovereign mercy?

Do you believe in the Lord Jesus Christ as the Son of God, and Savior of sinners, and do you receive and rest upon Him alone for salvation as He is offered in the Gospel?

Do you now resolve and promise, in humble reliance upon the grace of the Holy Spirit, that you will endeavor to live as becomes the followers of Christ?

Do you promise to support the church in its worship and work to the best of your ability?

Do you submit yourselves to the government and discipline of the church, and promise to study its purity and peace?

Word

MARCH 14, 2021

Call to Worship: Revelation 4:8-11

Holy, Holy, Holy

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee;
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, all the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the
glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy Name, in earth and
sky and sea;
Holy, Holy, Holy, merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

Invocation

THE FIRST WORD

We believe that God always initiates with sinners, so we begin worship with His word, His invitation to us to gather in His name.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

There is a nursery available for children up to age 3. See pg 11-12 for other announcements.

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Jesus, I Come

**Out of my bondage, sorrow and night,
Jesus, I come; Jesus I come.
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of my sickness into Thy health,
Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth,
Out of my sin and into Thyself,
Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of my shameful failure and loss,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of earths sorrows into Thy balm,
Out of lifes storms and into Thy calm,
Out of distress into jubilant psalm,
Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of unrest and arrogant pride,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into Thy blessed will to abide,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love,
Out of despair into raptures above,
Upward forever on wings like a dove,
Jesus, I come to Thee.**

**Out of the fear and dread of the tomb,
Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come.
Into the joy and light of Thy home,
Jesus, I come to Thee.
Out of the depths of ruin untold,
Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold,
Ever Thy glorious face to behold,
Jesus, I come to Thee.**

Reading of the Gospel: Isaiah 55:1-3

Leader: “Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price.

Congregation: Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David.

Pastoral Prayer

Corporate Confession of Sin

Almighty God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed; we have not loved you with all of our heart, soul, mind, and strength; we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves. Deepen within us our sorrow for the wrong we have done, and the good we have left undone. Lord, you are full of compassion and gracious, slow to anger, and plenteous in mercy; there is always forgiveness with you! Restore to us the joy of your salvation; bind up that which is broken, give light to our minds, strength to our wills, and rest to our souls. Speak to each of us, and let your word abide with us until it has wrought in us your holy will. Amen.

Silent Confession of Sin

WHY DO WE READ THE GOSPEL?

Our main underlying problem that we cannot change is unbelief in God. The Good News is that He sent His Only Son to Die so that we might believe that which is already evident but that we reject.

WHY DO WE CONFESS OUR SINS?

Because we recognize that things are not right with us, with one another, with creation, and with God. Part of who we are is to be right with God and with one another, so in recognition of this we confess.

***Thanksgiving and Assurance of Pardon:
Isaiah 61:10***

I will greatly rejoice in the Lord; my soul shall exult in my God, for he has clothed me with the garments of salvation; he has covered me with the robe of righteousness, as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest with a beautiful headdress, and as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

Speak, O Lord

**Speak, O Lord, as we come to You
To receive the food of your holy word.
Take Your truth, plant it deep in us;
Shape and fashion us in Your likeness,
That the light of Christ might be seen today
In our acts of love and our deeds of faith.
Speak, O Lord, and fulfil in us
All Your purposes, for Your glory.**

**Teach us Lord full obedience,
Holy reverence, true humility.
Test our thoughts and our attitudes
In the radiance of Your purity.
Cause our faith to rise
Cause our eyes to see,
Your majestic love and authority.
Words of power that can never fail;
Let their truth prevail over unbelief.**

**Speak, O Lord, and renew our minds;
Help us grasp the heights of Your plans for us.
Truths unchanged from the dawn of time,
That will echo down through eternity.
And by grace we'll stand on Your promises;
And by faith we'll walk as You walk with us.
Speak, O Lord, 'til your church is built
And the earth is filled with Your glory.**

Confession of Faith: 1 John 4:9-12

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

Offerings

Reading of God's Word: Psalm 44

Minister: The Word of the Lord

People: **Thanks be to God!**

Hearing God's Word: Luke 14:1-24

Minister: May His Word Live in Us

People: **And bear much fruit to His Glory**

The Sermon

Corporate Prayer of Response

Our Father Which 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 and lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen

WHY DO WE CONFESS OUR FAITH?

To remind us and those around us what we believe.

WHAT DO WE MEAN BY TAKING UP AN OFFERING?

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver

Celebrating The Lord's Supper

Minister: Brothers and sisters in Christ, the gospels tell us that on the first day of the week, the day on which our Lord rose from the dead, he appeared to some of his disciples and was made known to them in the breaking of bread. Come, then, to the joyful feast of our Lord.

The Thanksgiving

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

People: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

Minister: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right for us to give thanks. It is our joy and our peace, at all times and in all places to give thanks to you, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, through Christ our Lord.**

Prayer of Thanksgiving and Consecration

The Institution: *1 Corinthians 11:23-26*

“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, he took the cup, after supper, saying, ‘This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me.’ For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes.”

People: **We who are many are one body, for we all share the same loaf.**

Minister: The cup for which we give thanks is a sharing in the blood of Christ.

People: **The cup which we drink
is our participation in
the blood of Christ.**

The Invitation

Minister: The gifts of God for the
people of God.

Silent Reflection

Communion Hymns

When I Survey the Wondrous Cross

**When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.**

**Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me
most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.**

**See, from his head, his hands, his
feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?**

**Were the whole realm of nature
mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.**

In Christ Alone

**In Christ alone my hope is found;
He is my light, my strength, my
song;
This cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought
and storm.
What heights of love, what depths
of peace,
When fears are stilled, when
strivings cease!
My comforter, my all in all—
Here in the love of Christ I stand.**

**In Christ alone, Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness,
Scorned by the ones He came to
save.
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied;
For ev'ry sin on Him was laid—
Here in the death of Christ I live.**

**There in the ground His body lay,
Light of the world by darkness slain;
Then bursting forth in glorious day,
Up from the grave He rose again!
And as He stands in victory,
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me;
For I am His and He is mine—
Bought with the precious blood of
Christ.**

**No guilt in life, no fear in death—
This is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home—
Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.**

Benediction: 2 John 3

*Grace, mercy and peace will be with us,
from God the Father and from Jesus Christ
the Father's Son, in truth and love.*

The Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings
flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!
Amen**

Denton Presbyterian exists to bring the gospel of Jesus Christ to bear on the city of Denton through lifestyles of repentance, belief, loving God and loving our neighbors. You are officially set free to minister to one another and to the city of Denton.

Announcements

Family Meeting:

We will have an informal meeting after worship on March 21st, where the elders will give an update on the status of our church.

Pot Luck Lunch:

We will be having a church wide pot luck lunch after church on March 21st. Please plan to join us for some lunch and fellowship.

Food Collection:

We are beginning to collect can goods and other non-perishable foods to give to the Denton Christian PreSchool to help with some of the families in need in the school. Would you please consider bringing a few things each week to donate?

Church Building Search:

Please be in prayer for our building committee as we search for a more permanent meeting place for the church.

PRAYER MEETING:

We meet on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm via zoom to pray for one another, for our church, for our community, for our nation and for the world. Please consider joining us. Email Pastor Wagner at robert.wagner9@gmail.com for the zoom link.

Women's Ministries.

Women's Bible Study will resume on Tuesday, January 12. Women meet every 2nd and 4th Tuesday from 7:00 - 9:00 PM in the gym at First Pres. Contact Lisa Tarplee at lisa.tarplee@gmail.com or Angie Wilson at atymonw@yahoo.com for details.

Men's Fellowship.

We are studying the parables of Jesus this Spring. We meet each Thursday evening at 7 pm at the home of Pastor Wagner at 2204 Woodbrook St in Denton. Email Pastor Wagner at robert.wagner9@gmail.com for more information.

ONLINE GIVING:

For ease of use, our website includes a link to give directly to DPC online. See dentonpresbyterian.com for details.

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