



THE BOOK OF JAMES

FAITH THAT WORKS

*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**

NOVEMBER 28, 2021

## ***Call to Worship: Revelation 15:3***

### **Come, Thou Almighty King**

**Come, thou Almighty King,  
Help us thy name to sing,  
Help us to praise:  
Father, all glorious,  
O'er all victorious,  
Come, and reign over us,  
Ancient of days.**

**Come, thou Incarnate Word,  
Gird on thy mighty sword,  
Our prayer attend:  
Come and thy people bless,  
And give thy Word success;  
Spirit of holiness,  
On us descend.**

**Come, Holy Comforter,  
Thy sacred witness bear  
In this glad hour:  
Thou who almighty art,  
Now rule in every heart,  
And ne'er from us depart,  
Spirit of power.**

**To the great One in Three  
Eternal praises be,  
Hence evermore.  
His sovereign majesty  
May we in glory see,  
And to eternity  
Love and adore.**

### ***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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## *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*

**What a Friend we have in Jesus,  
All our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
Ev'rything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry  
Ev'rything to God in prayer.**

**Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged:  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful,  
Who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our ev'ry weakness—  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!**

**Are we weak and heavy laden,  
Cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Saviour, still our Refuge—  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield thee,  
Thou wilt find a solace there.**

### **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.*

### **Reading of the Gospel: 2 Chronicles 7:11-14**

Leader: Thus Solomon finished the house of the Lord and the king's house. All that Solomon had planned to do in the house of the Lord and in his own house he successfully accomplished. Then the Lord appeared to Solomon in the night and said to him: "I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a house of sacrifice. When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command the

locust to devour the land, or send pestilence among my people,

**Congregation: If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.**

## ***PASTORAL PRAYER***

### ***Corporate Confession of Sin***

**O my Savior, help me. I am slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb; I am in the foothills when I should be on the heights; I am pained by my graceless heart, my prayerless days, my poverty of love, my sloth in the heavenly race, my sullied conscience, my wasted hours, my unspent opportunities. I am blind while the light shines around me: take the scales from my eyes, grind to dust my heart of unbelief. Make it my highest joy to study you, meditate on you, gaze on you, sit like Mary at your feet, lean like John on your breast, appeal like Peter to your love, count like Paul all things but dung. I believe, help my unbelief. Amen**

#### **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.*

### **Silent Confession of Sin**

## **Thanksgiving and Assurance of Pardon:**

### **I John 2:1-2**

*But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world.*

## **Jesus, Cast a Look on Me**

**Jesus cast a look on me,  
Give me sweet simplicity  
Make me poor and keep me low,  
Seeking only Thee to know**

**All that feeds my busy pride,  
Cast it evermore aside  
Bid my will to Thine submit,  
Lay me humbly at Thy feet**

**Make me like a little child,  
Of my strength and wisdom spoiled  
Seeing only in Thy light,  
Walking only in Thy might**

**Leaning on Thy loving breast,  
Where a weary soul can rest  
Feeling well the peace of God,  
Flowing from His precious blood**

**In this posture let me live,  
And hosannas daily give  
In this temper let me die,  
And hosannas ever cry!**

## ***Confession of Faith: Heidelberg Catechism #1***

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

**Answer: 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.**

### ***Offerings***

***Reading of God's Word: 1 Kings 17:1-7;  
18:36-46***

*Minister:* The Word of the Lord

*People:* **Thanks be to God!**

***Hearing God's Word: James 5:13-20***

*Minister:* May His Word Live in Us

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

### ***The Sermon***

#### **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*

## ***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**

## **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**

### **Jesus, Lover of My Soul**

**Jesus, lover of my soul,  
Let me to Thy bosom fly,  
While the nearer waters roll,  
While the tempest still is high.  
Hide me, O my Savior, hide,  
'Til life's storm is past;  
Safe into the haven guide;  
Receive my soul at last.**

**Other refuge have I none,  
I helpless, hang on Thee;  
Leave, oh leave me not alone,  
Support and comfort me.  
All my trust on Thee is stayed,  
All help from Thee I bring;  
Cover my defenseless head  
In the shadow of Thy wing.**

**Thou, O Christ, are all I want,  
Here more than all I find;  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint,  
Heal the sick, and lead the blind.  
Just and holy is Thy Name,  
I am all unrighteousness;  
False and full of sin I am;  
Thou art full of truth and grace.**

**Plenteous grace with Thee is found,  
Grace to cover all my sin;  
Let the healing streams abound;  
Make and keep me pure within.  
Thou of life the fountain art,  
Let me take of Thee;  
Spring Thou up within my heart;  
For all eternity.**

### **Before the Throne of God Above**

**Before the throne of God above  
I have a strong and perfect plea  
A great High Priest whose name is  
love**

**Who ever lives and pleads for me  
My name is graven on His hands  
My name is written on His heart  
I know that while in heav'n He  
stands  
No tongue can bid me thence depart  
No tongue can bid me thence depart**

**When Satan tempts me to despair  
And tells me of the guilt within  
Upward I look and see Him there  
Who made an end of all my sin  
Because the sinless Savior died  
My sinful soul is counted free  
For God the Just is satisfied  
To look on Him and pardon me  
To look on Him and pardon me**

**Behold Him there, the risen Lamb  
My perfect, spotless Righteousness  
The great unchangeable I AM  
The King of glory and of grace  
One with Himself, I cannot die  
My soul is purchased by His blood  
My life is hid with Christ on high  
With Christ my Savior and my God  
With Christ my Savior and my God**

## **Benediction: 1 Thessalonians**

**5:23-24**

*Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. He who calls you is faithful; he will surely do it.*

## **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**

### **Christmas Party!!**

The DPC Christmas Party will be on Saturday, December 11 at 6 pm at the home of Robert and Becky Jones - 2008 Locksley Lane. Please bring something to share with everyone.

### **Collection for *Our Daily Bread*:**

This is the last day for the collection.

### **Sunday School:**

Sunday School classes for all ages begin at 9:15 am each Sunday. Please join us.

### **Women's Ministries.**

We will have two activities for this Fall for women of all ages. This Fall, women will meet once a month to enjoy a meal

together and talk about Philippians. No books or homework will be required. Women will also meet for a monthly fellowship event. Details about these events to be announced each month.

### **PRAYER MEETING:**

We have an in-person prayer meeting Sunday mornings before the worship service at 8:45 am to pray for the ministry of the church.

### **Men's Fellowship.**

Men's Fellowship will be meeting at Robert Wagner's house this week at 7 pm. The address is 2204 Woodbrook St. in Denton. We will be looking at 1 Samuel 23.

### **ONLINE GIVING:**

For ease of use, our website includes a link to give directly to DPC online. See [dentonpresbyterian.com](http://dentonpresbyterian.com) for details or use the QR code below. If you would rather mail in a check, the church address is:

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