

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***

OCTOBER 16, 2022

## ***Call to Worship: Psalm 100***

### **We Are God's People**

**We are God's people, the chosen of the Lord,  
Born of His Spirit, established by His Word;  
Our cornerstone is Christ alone,  
And strong in Him we stand:  
O let us live transparently  
And walk heart to heart and hand in hand.**

**We are God's loved ones, the Bride of Christ our  
Lord,  
For we have known it, the love of God outpoured;  
Now let us learn how to return  
The gift of love once giv'n:  
O let us share each joy and care,  
And live with a zeal that pleases Heav'n.**

**We are the Body of which the Lord is Head,  
Called to obey Him, now risen from the dead;  
He wills us be a family,  
Diverse yet truly one:  
O let us give our gifts to God,  
And so shall his work on earth be done.**

**We are a temple, the Spirit's dwelling place,  
Formed in great weakness, a cup to hold God's  
grace;  
We die alone, for on its own  
Each ember loses fire:  
Yet joined in one the flame burns on  
To give warmth and light, and to inspire.**

### ***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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## **Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken**

**Glorious things of thee are spoken,  
Zion, city of our God;  
He, Whose word cannot be broken,  
Formed thee for His own abode  
On the Rock of Ages founded,  
What can shake thy sure repose?  
With salvation's walls surrounded,  
Thou mayst smile at all thy foes.**

**See the streams of living waters,  
Springing from eternal love.  
Well supply Thy sons and daughters,  
And all fears of want remove.  
Who can faint while such a river  
Ever flows their thirst to quench?  
Grace which like the Lord, the giver,  
Never fails from age to age.**

**When the curse still marred creation,  
Hate and war and fear remained;  
Tribes and nations, kingdoms, colors,  
Sought their own vain praise to sing.  
God has torn the wall dividing,  
Man from God and man from man.  
Songs from every race and culture,  
Fill the earth to praise Him then.**

**Savior, if of Zion's city,  
I, through grace, a member am,  
Let the world deride or pity,  
I will glory in Thy Name  
Fading is the worldling's pleasure,  
All his boasted pomp and show  
Solid joys and lasting treasures  
None but Zion's children know.**

## **Reading of the Gospel: Galatians 3:23-29**

Leader: Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be

justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith.

**Congregation: For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.**

#### **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.*

## **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.**

#### **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: Galatians 2:20**

*I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

### **The Church's One Foundation**

**The church's one foundation  
Is Jesus Christ her Lord,  
She is His new creation  
By water and the Word.  
From heav'n He came and sought her  
To be His holy bride;  
With His own blood He bought her,  
And for her life He died.**

**Elect from every nation,  
Yet one ov'r all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation,  
One Lord, one faith, one birth;  
One holy Name she blesses,  
Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses,  
With every grace endued.**

**Though with a scornful wonder  
Men see her sore oppressed,  
By schisms rent asunder,  
By heresies distressed,  
Yet saints their watch are keeping;  
Their cry goes up, "How long?"  
And soon the night of weeping  
Shall be the morn of song.**

**Mid toil and tribulation,  
And tumult of her war,  
She waits the consummation  
Of peace forevermore;  
'Til, with the vision glorious,  
Her longing eyes are blessed,  
And the great church victorious  
Shall be the church at rest.**

**Yet she on earth hath union  
With God the Three in One,  
And mystic sweet communion  
With those whose rest is won.  
O happy ones and holy!  
Lord, give us grace that we  
Like them, the meek and lowly,  
On high may dwell with Thee.**

### ***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 Ghost; 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Offerings**

#### **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*

## ***Reading of God's Word: Psalm 133***

*Minister:* The Word of the Lord

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

## ***Hearing God's Word: Ephesians 2:11-22***

*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**

## **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:*** *I Corinthians II: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**

### **How Sweet and Awful Is the Place**

**How sweet and awful is the place  
With Christ within the doors,  
While everlasting love displays  
The choicest of her stores.**

**While all our hearts and all our songs  
Join to admire the feast,  
Each of us cries, with thankful  
tongue,  
"Lord, why was I a guest?"**

**"Why was I made to hear Thy voice,  
And enter while there's room,  
When thousands make a wretched  
choice,  
And rather starve than come?"**

**'Twas the same love that spread the  
feast  
That sweetly drew us in;  
Else we had still refused to taste,  
And perished in our sin.**

**Pity the nations, O our God,  
Constrain the earth to come;  
Send Thy victorious Word abroad,  
And bring the strangers home.**

**We long to see Thy churches full,  
That all the chosen race  
May, with one voice and heart and  
soul,  
Sing Thy redeeming grace.**

## **His Mercy Is More**

**What love could remember no  
wrongs we have done;  
Omniscient, all-knowing, He counts  
not their sum.**

**Thrown into a sea without bottom or  
shore;**

**Our sins, they are many, His mercy is  
more.**

**[Refrain]**

**Praise the Lord! His mercy is more.**

**Stronger than darkness; new every  
morn;**

**Our sins, they are many, His mercy is  
more.**

**What patience would wait as we  
constantly roam;**

**What Father, so tender, is calling us  
home.**

**He welcomes, the weakest, the  
vilest, the poor;**

**Our sins, they are many, His mercy is  
more.**

**[Refrain]**

**What riches of kindness He lavished  
on us;**

**His blood was the payment, His life  
was the cost.**

**We stood 'neath a debt we could  
never afford;**

**Our sins, they are many, His mercy is  
more.**

**[Refrain]**

## **Benediction: 2 Corinthians 13:14**

*The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the  
love of God and the fellowship of the Holy  
Spirit be with you all.*

## **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**

**Service Project: Hearts for Homes**

We will be working with Hearts for Homes to install vinyl plank flooring for a widow in our community. The date is October 29th from 9 am to noon.

**Prayer Meeting:**

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

## **Sunday School:**

We have Sunday School each week at 9:15 am. Come join us as we study the book of Genesis together.

## **Women's Ministries**

We host two events each month. Women of all ages are welcome!

- Bible Study - Bible study meets once a month to enjoy a meal together and walk through the book "A Great Cloud of Witnesses" By Trillia Newbell.
- Fellowship - We meet for fellowship once a month. Be on the look out for details for our October meeting.

## **Men's Fellowship.**

- Bible Study - We will be studying Proverbs at Pastor Wagner's house on Thursday nights at 7pm at 2204 Woodbrook St in Denton. We will start on September 8th.
- Fellowship - We will meet at East Side in Denton on the **LAST Thursday of the month.** Please join us.

## **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:

Denton Presbyterian Church  
PO Box 51514  
Denton, TX 76206

## **Ephesians 2:11-22**

**2:11** Therefore remember that at one time you Gentiles in the flesh, called “the uncircumcision” by what is called the circumcision, which is made in the flesh by hands— **12** remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. **13** But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. **14** For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility **15** by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, **16** and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. **17** And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near. **18** For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. **19** So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, **20** built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, **21** in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. **22** In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.