

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**

*Denton Presbyterian Church is a member church of the Presbyterian Church in America.*  
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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 6, 2022

## Call to Worship: Psalm 46

### A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

**A mighty fortress is our God,  
A Bulwark never failing;  
Our Helper He amid the flood  
Of mortal ills prevailing;  
For still our ancient Foe  
Doth seek to work us woe;  
His craft and pow'r are great,  
And armed with cruel hate,  
On earth is not his equal.**

**Did we in our own strength confide,  
Our striving would be losing;  
Were not the right Man on our side,  
The Man of God's own choosing;  
Dost ask who that may be:  
Christ Jesus it is He;  
Lord Sabbaoth His name,  
From age to age the same,  
And He must win the battle.**

**And though this world with devils filled,  
Should threaten to undo us  
We will not fear for God hath willed,  
His truth to triumph through us  
The Prince of Darkness grim,  
We tremble not for him  
His rage we can endure,  
For lo his doom is sure  
One little word shall fell him**

**That Word above all earthly pow'r,  
No thanks to them abideth;  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours  
Through Him who with us sideth;  
Let goods and kindred go,  
This mortal life also;  
The body they may kill;  
God's truth abideth still,  
His kingdom is forever!**

#### 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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## ***Invocation***

### **Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder**

**Let us love and sing and wonder  
Let us praise the Saviors name  
He has hushed the law's loud thunder  
He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has brought us nigh to God**

**Let us love the Lord Who bought us  
Pitied us when enemies  
Called us by His grace and taught us  
Gave us ears and gave us eyes  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He has washed us with His blood  
He presents our souls to God**

**Let us sing though fierce temptation  
Threatens hard to bear us down  
For the Lord, our strong salvation,  
Holds in view the conqueror's crown  
He, Who washed us with His blood,  
He, Who washed us with His blood,  
He, Who washed us with His blood,  
Soon will bring us home to God**

**Let us wonder grace and justice  
Join and point to mercy's store  
When through grace in Christ our trust is  
Justice smiles and asks no more  
He Who washed us with His blood  
He Who washed us with His blood  
He Who washed us with His blood  
Has secured our way to God**

**Let us praise and join the chorus  
Of the saints enthroned on high  
Here they trusted Him before us  
Now their praises fill the sky  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood  
Thou hast washed us with Thy blood  
Thou art worthy Lamb of God**

## **Reading of the Gospel: 1 John 4:7-12**

Leader: Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 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.

**Congregation: 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.**

## ***PASTORAL PRAYER***

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

**Holy Father, forgive us. Though you should guide us, we inform ourselves. Though you should rule us, we control ourselves. Though you should fulfill us, we console ourselves. For we think your truth too high, your will too**

## **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.*

**hard, your power to remote, your love too free.  
But they are not! And without them, we are of  
all people most miserable. Heal our confused  
mind with your word, heal our divided will with  
your law, heal our troubled conscience with  
your love, heal our anxious hearts with your  
presence, all for the sake of your Son, who  
loved us and gave himself for us. Amen.**

## **Silent Confession of Sin**

**Thanksgiving and Assurance of Pardon:  
1 John 1:9**

*If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive  
us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.*

## **And Can It Be**

**And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Savior's blood?  
Died He for me who caused His pain!  
For me who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! How can it be That  
Thou, my God, should die for me?**

**{Refrain}**

**Amazing love! How can it be  
That Thou, my God, should die for me!**

**He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace!  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free,  
For O my God, it found out me!  
{Refrain}**

**Long my imprisoned spirit lay,  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray;  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free,  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.  
[Refrain]**

**No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine;  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own  
[Refrain]**

### ***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.**

### **WHY DO WE CONFESS OUR FAITH?**

*To remind us and those around us  
what we believe.*

## **Offerings**

## 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: Lamentations 3:19-33**

*Minister:* The Word of the Lord

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

## **Hearing God's Word: Ephesians 3:14-21**

*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:** *1 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 the Name of Jesus Sounds**

**How sweet the Name of Jesus sounds  
In a believer's ear!**

**It soothes his sorrow, heals his wounds,  
And drives away his fear.**

**It makes the wounded spirit whole,  
And calms the troubled breast;  
'Tis manna to the hungry soul,  
And to the weary, rest.**

**Dear Name, the rock on which I build,  
My shield and hiding place,  
My never failing treasury, filled  
With boundless stores of grace!**

**By Thee, my prayers acceptance gain,  
Although with sin defiled;  
Satan accuses me in vain,  
And I am owned a child.**

**Jesus, my Shepherd, Brother, Friend,  
My Prophet, Priest, and King,  
My Lord, my life, my way, my end,  
Accept the praise I bring.**

**Weak is the effort of my heart,  
And cold my warmest thought;  
But when I see Thee as Thou art,  
I'll praise Thee as I ought.**

**'Til then I would Thy love proclaim  
With every fleeting breath,  
And may the music of Thy name  
Refresh my soul in death.**

## Jesus Loves Me

**Jesus loves me, this I know,  
For the Bible tells me so;  
Little ones to him belong,  
They are weak but he is strong.**

**[Refrain]**

**Yes, Jesus loves me!  
The Bible tells me so.**

**Jesus loves me, he who died  
Heaven's gate to open wide;  
He will wash away my sin,  
Let his little child come in.  
[Refrain]**

**Jesus loves me, loves me still,  
Though I'm very weak and ill;  
From his shining throne on high  
Comes to watch me where I lie.  
[Refrain]**

**Jesus loves me, he will stay  
Close beside me all the way:  
If I love him, when I die  
He will take me home on high.  
[Refrain]**

### **Benediction: 1 Thess. 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:**

We are having a church Christmas party on the evening of Saturday, December 10th. Please mark you calendars and plan to attend.

### **Pot Luck Meal:**

We are having our monthly pot luck meal immediately after the morning worship service. Please plan to join us for some great food and great fellowship.

### **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.
- 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 3:14-21**

**14** For this reason I bow my knees before the Father, **15** from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named, **16** that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being, **17** so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love, **18** may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth, **19** and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

**20** Now to him who is able to do far more abundantly than all that we ask or think, according to the power at work within us, **21** to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.