

Gathering & Hospitality
Welcome & Announcements

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## THE LORD CALLS US INTO HIS SPECIAL PRESENCE

\*Call to Worship

Philippians 4.4 & Psalm 96 (ESV)

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.
Say among the nations, "The Lord reigns!
Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved; he will judge the peoples with equity."

Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice; let the sea roar, and all that fills it; let the field exult, and everything in it!

Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy before the Lord, for he comes, for he comes to judge the earth.

He will judge the world in righteousness, and the peoples in his faithfulness.

## \*Songs of Praise

# "Rejoice the Lord is King"

Words: Charles Wesley (1744) Arr: Norton Hall Band (2021)

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 Savior, reigns, the God of truth and love; When He has 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 heav'n; The keys of death and hell are to our Jesus giv'n: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Our Lord and judge shall come And take His servants up to their eternal home: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

## Prayer

# **Scripture Reading**

1 John 3.16-24 (ESV)

<sup>16</sup> By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers. <sup>17</sup> But if anyone has the world's goods and sees his brother in need, yet closes his heart against him, how does God's love abide in him? <sup>18</sup> Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.

<sup>19</sup> By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before him; <sup>20</sup> for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup> Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; <sup>22</sup> and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. <sup>23</sup> And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup> Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us.

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 earth's sorrows into Thy balm, out of life's 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.



O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments; Lord, we have done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules. You are righteous, but this day we are covered with shame because we have sinned against you.

We your people have transgressed your law and turned away, refusing to obey you.

O Lord, listen!

O Lord, forgive!

O Lord, hear and act!

We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy.

For your sake, O God, do not delay,

because we your people bear your Name.

In your mercy, keep covenant with us, and turn our hearts back to you so that we will love you and keep your commandments

# \*Declaration of Forgiveness

1 Peter 2.24-25 (ESV)

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

"For we were straying like sheep, but have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of our souls."

### **New Members**

Patrick & Louise Covington with their children Gus & Annie

Rex Hardy husband of Lina, existing member

Gabriel Malone son of Anthony & Sarah

Bud & Melissa Nelson

Michael & Brandee Pusatere

JT & Mackenzie Reagor

# \*Prayer of Petition

Leader: Lord, in your mercy; **People: Hear our prayer.** 

Leader: And now let us offer the prayer that our Lord has taught us:

All: Our Father, who is in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your 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 yours is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever.

# Children's Homily

Dismissal to Little Sprouts. (Available for kids 3-PreK, to be picked up at the beginning of the Lord's Supper. Drop-off and pick-up are as you exit the sanctuary.)

Hebrews 13.1-6

Written & Arr by: Getty, Getty, & Kendrick

Pastor: This is the word of God. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

**Sermon** Jim Powell

"Things that REMAIN."



Jesus Christ himself invites all true believers to his table. If you are a baptized Christian, a follower of Jesus Christ, and a faithful member or adherent of this or some other congregation, recognizing its belonging to the fellowship of Christian believers, please know how welcome you are to eat this gracious meal with us. By taking the bread and the wine, you are acknowledging that you are a sinner, without hope except in God's sovereign mercy, and that you are trusting in Christ alone for your salvation. If you have any questions about your participation in the Lord's Supper, please speak to one of our elders.

## "My Worth is Not in What I Own"

My worth is not in what I own, not in the strength of flesh and bone But in the costly wounds of love at the cross
My worth is not in skill or name, in win or lose, in pride or shame
But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross

I rejoice in my Redeemer Greatest treasure, wellspring of my soul I will trust in Him, no other My soul is satisfied in Him alone

As summer flowers, we fade and die; fame, youth, and beauty hurry by But life eternal calls to us at the cross
I will not boast in wealth or might or human wisdom's fleeting light
But I will boast in knowing Christ at the cross

Chorus

Two wonders here that I confess: my worth and my unworthiness My value fixed, my ransom paid at the cross

Chorus

## \*We Confess Our Faith

The Nicene Creed
Council of Constantinople, 381AD
\*Catholic = universal

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, Of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God,

Begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father;

By whom all things were made;

Who for us and for our salvation

Came down from heaven,

And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary,

And was made man;

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate;

He suffered and was buried;

And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures,

And ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the living and the dead;

Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; Who spoke by the prophets;

And we believe in one holy, catholic\* and apostolic church; We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins; And we look for the resurrection of the dead.

And the life of the world to come

Amen.

# Collection of Offerings

Leader: What gifts do you offer to your Lord in response to His grace?

People: We offer ourselves through praise and thanksgiving,
We offer our prayers and offerings for the sake of the world.

"Doxology" Louis Bourgeois

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# \*Hymn of Response "All My Boast Is In Jesus"

What wonder of wonders, what love is this that Christ would die for me His goodness, His merit, His righteousness this sinner's only plea Oh, foolish pride, be crucified the work is finished

Written & Arr by: Getty Music (2023)

All my boast is in Jesus, all my hope is His love

And I will glory forever in what the cross has done

Now fully forgiven, my life is filled with graces undeserved For mercy that flowed down that sacred hill let praises now return Rise up, my soul, and bless the Lord who else is worthy?

All my boast is in Jesus, all my hope is His love And I will glory forever in what the cross has done

I boast not in riches, in strength, or might but in the grace of God I glory in weakness, to live is Christ in plenty or in want That I may know, that all may see His power within me

All my boast is in Jesus, all my hope is His love
And I will glory forever in what the cross has done
Now, I stand in this freedom ransomed, clean in His sight
And I cannot be ashamed for my boast is Jesus Christ
My boast is Jesus Christ
My boast is Jesus Christ



The Christian really has a double task. He has to practice both God's holiness and God's love... Anything that an individual Christian or Christian group does that fails to show the simultaneous balance of the holiness of God and the love of God presents to a watching world not a demonstration of the God who exists, but a caricature of the God who exists.

Francis A. Schaeffer, The Mark of the Christian

The dullest and most uninteresting person you can talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw it now, you would be strongly tempted to worship, or else a horror and a corruption such as you now meet, if at all, only in a nightmare... There are no *ordinary* people. You have never talked to a mere mortal... It is immortals whom we joke with, work with, marry, snub, and exploit- immortal horrors or everlasting splendours.

C. S. Lewis, The Weight of Glory (sermon on June 8, 1941)

You worship God more by [contentment] than when you come to hear a sermon, or spend half an hour, or an hour, in prayer, or when you come to receive a sacrament. These are only external acts of worship...

But [contentment] is the soul's worship.

Jeremiah Burroughs, The Rare Jewel of Christian Contentment (1648)

Pastor Jim Powell, Preaching and Leadership | Pastor Bill Leuzinger, Counseling and Care Pastor AJ Babel, Discipleship and Community | Pastoral Intern Troy Cash, Worship and Youth Connections Assistant: Shannon Thomsen | Administrative Assistant: Shelby Shaw | Facilities Manager: Joe Jansen office@christcommunityic.com

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#### SUNDAYS, 10:10-10:50 | THEOLOGICAL AND TOPICAL TEACHING:

- No Class Today
- 11/2: Westminster Confession of Faith | Chapter 13: Of Sanctification

**TODAY, 10:10-10:50 | CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:** We will meet between the services in the sanctuary to vote on whether to proceed with the building project & capital campaign. Note that there will not be any discussion or Q+A at this meeting—only a vote.

**TONIGHT, OCT 26, 5PM | THE HUDDLE:** Twice-a-month gathering for post-high school young adults. Join us over a meal for friendship and real talk about faith. Reach out to Stan Bauer (407-739-8582) or LeeAnna Hungerford (901-201-0969) to RSVP.

FIRST SUNDAYS, 6PM | EVENING OF PRAYER: Put it on your calendar!!! Beginning Sunday, NOVEMBER 2, on the first Sunday of each month, for all who desire we will gather at 6pm at the church for an hour of prayer and Scripture- for the glory of God, the good of the church, and for any and all petitions we need to bring before God- for our hearts, families, community, nation and world.

**MON, NOV 3, 6PM | AROUND THE TABLE:** Ladies, join Lisa Smalling & Betsy Bridgforth for dinner & a study of *Begat: Women in the Genealogy of Jesus*! Info and RSVP via QR.



**TUES, NOV 4, 11AM | LADIES' READ THROUGH THE BIBLE GROUP:** Meeting monthly at the church. Join no matter where you are in the reading plan! Contact Sherrie Farmer 423.426.3130

#### **SAVE THE DATE: Year-end Banquet**

Please save the evening of Thursday, December 4<sup>th</sup> to attend our Year-end Banquet.

More details to come.

**MERCY MINISTRY WORK DAYS:** If you have a need or know a need that our Deacons could facilitate a work day for, call Ethan Gouge at 423.782.8121. Can be completed with privacy & discretion.

**MEALS FOR YOUTH:** We need your help! Volunteer to be a meal provider for one of our weekly youth gatherings. Use QR to see details & sign up.





8:45-10:00, 1st Worship Service 10:10-10:50, Classes & Fellowship 11-12:15, 2nd Worship Service

#### **Adult Classes**

Fullbright Community Group: 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, 10:10-10:50 Theological & Topical Teaching: Sanctuary, 10:10-10:50

#### Children's Classes, 10:10-10:50

K-1<sup>st</sup>: Elaine DeVusser 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>: Arika Smith & Mackenzie Reagor, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

4<sup>th</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>: Josh Beatty & Caleb Osborne, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

#### Youth Classes

NO CLASS TODAY- Middle School (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>): Troy Cash, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 10:10-10:50 High School (9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>): Troy Cash, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 6-8PM

#### **FAMILIES AND CHILDREN:**

We are thankful to be an intergenerational congregation that prioritizes family worship. We love little ones in our gathered worship learning the rhythm of corporate worship.

**FRONT ROOM & 2**<sup>ND</sup> **FLOOR LARGE CLASSROOM:** A live stream of the service is available in the front room & on the second floor in the large classroom.

**NURSERY:** On 2nd floor for children under 3, for the duration of the worship services.

**LITTLE SPROUTS (3-PREK):** On 2nd floor, during the sermon with age-appropriate teaching. Check your child in/out of class in the front room (after children's homily & before Communion).

**COMMUNING MEMBERSHIP:** If you or your child is ready to profess faith in Christ and partake of the Lord's Supper, please contact Pastor AJ (or any elder), so we can arrange a time to talk.



Use this QR code to see building renderings & information regarding the building expansion.

#### MEN

**WEDNESDAYS @ 8AM | MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Weekly bible study and prayer at the church. Bring your bible & coffee, and Contact Paul Gorman (423-483-8782) if you plan to attend as location is subject to change.

#### WOMEN

**SUNDAYS @ 6PM & WEDNESDAYS @ 9:30AM | WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Studying Colossians using Lydia Brownback's book. Meeting at the church. Childcare provided for WED AM study.



Hebrews 13.1-6 Things that REMAIN.

Let brotherly love continue. 2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. 3 Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body. 4 Let marriage be held in honor among all, and let the marriage bed be undefiled, for God will judge the sexually immoral and adulterous. 5 Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." 6 So we can confidently say,

"The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?" (ESV)

LOVE... 13.1-3 Hospitality and sympathy.

HOLINESS... 13.4-5a Purity, purification and contentment.

PRESENCE... 13.5b-6
I will never leave you or forsake you.