



Knowing Jesus Christ

Growing in grace

Going into the world with hope

"For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people."

I Timothy 4.10

Sunday Service Times:

Adult & Children's Sunday School:

9:15 – 10:05am

Worship Service:

10:30 – 11:45am

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Song of Gathering

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Arise My Soul Arise

Words by Charles Wesley, Music by Kevin Twit, 1996

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off your guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice, in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

(Chorus)

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise

Arise, my soul, arise.

Arise (arise), arise (arise), arise

Arise, my soul, arise.

Shake off your guilty fears and rise

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace. (Chorus)

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary;

They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me:

*"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!" (Chorus)*

The Father hears Him pray, His dear anointed One;
He cannot turn away, the presence of His Son;
His Spirit answers to the blood, His Spirit answers to the blood,
And tells me I am born of God. (Chorus)

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;

He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear

*With confidence I now draw nigh, with confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry. (Chorus)*

Welcome and Announcements

Meditation

Hebrews 1.1-4

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs.

Call to Worship

From Psalm 16

Leader: *Preserve me, O God, for in you I take refuge. I say to the Lord, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."*

People: **The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot. The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.**

Leader: *I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.*

People: **Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption.**

All: *You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

Prayer of Invocation

Songs of Praise

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

Words by Walter Smith, Traditional Welsh Melody, Public Domain

Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise.

*Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might;
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love.*

To all, life Thou givest, to both great and small;
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all;
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree,
And wither and perish - but naught changeth Thee.

*Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight;
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!*

Indescribable

Words and music by Lora Story, 2004

From the highest of heights to the depths of the sea
Creation's revealing Your majesty
From the colors of fall to the fragrance of spring
Every creature unique in the song that it sings
All exclaiming

(Chorus)
*Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by name.
You are amazing God
All powerful, untamable,
Awestruck we fall to our knees as we humbly proclaim
You are amazing God*

Who has told every lightning bolt where it should go
Or seen heavenly storehouses laden with snow
Who imagined the sun and gives source to its light
Yet conceals it to bring us the coolness of night
None can fathom

(Chorus)x2

*Indescribable, uncontainable,
You placed the stars in the sky and You know them by name.
You are amazing God*

*Incomparable, unchangeable
You see the depths of my heart and You love me the same
You are amazing God
You are amazing God*

Responsive Reading

Romans 6.1-14

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Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Romans 6.23

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Song of Assurance

How Deep the Fathers Love For Us

Words and Music by Stuart Townend, 1995

How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure
How great the pain of searing loss, the Father turns His face away
As wounds which mar the chosen One, bring many sons to glory

*Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed I hear my mocking voice, call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life, I know that it is finished*

I will not boast in anything no gifts, no power, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart His wounds have paid my ransom

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Song of Thanksgiving

King of Saints

Words by Joseph Hart, 1712-1768, Music by Clint Wells, 2004

Jesus Christ, God's holy lamb, We will laud thy lovely name;
We were saved by God's decree, And all our debt was paid by thee.

Thou has washed us in thy blood, Made us kings and priests to God;
Take this tribute of the poor; Less we can't, we can't give more.

(Refrain)

Souls redeemed, your voices raise,
Sing your dear Redeemer's praise;
Worthy thou of love and laud,
King of saints, incarnate God.

Righteous are thy ways and true; Endless honors are thy due;
Grace and glory in thee shine; Matchless mercy, love divine.

We for whom thou once was slain, We thy ransomed sinner train,
In this one request agree, "Spirit make us more resemble thee."

Prayer for the Kingdom

Sermon

Acts 13.13-52

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The More Things Change, The More They Stay The Same

Paul's sermon

Promise - History leading to Jesus

Provision - Person and work of Jesus

Proclamation - Faith in Jesus

People's Response

Joy

Jealousy

Song of Response

In Christ Alone

Words and Music by Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2001

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 lifes 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.
'Til He returns or calls me home
Here in the pow'r of Christ I stand.*

Benediction

Calendar for this Week:

Today	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:05am	Fellowship & Refreshments
	10:30am	Worship
Thursday	7:00pm	Praise Team at the Griffin's (Pete Griffin, 286-1821)

*Care Groups are on hiatus until the fall.

Upcoming Events:

Last Sunday Of Month Communion Sunday followed by a potluck picnic at Autumn Ridge Park

September 5&6 Inquirer's Weekend—for those interested in hearing more about Hope of Christ Church or membership. (Leonard Bailey, 720-4089)

September 13 Baby Shower for Johnney & Kathryn Chapman

Nursery Schedule:

Katie Murphy, 752-6118

Aug. 17 Sunday School: J. Jany/ Muphys
Worship: P. Griffin/A. Hughes/K. Benke

Aug 24 Sunday School: J. Jany/P. Jany/S. Gensimore
Worship: G. DiDomenico/A. DiDomenico/A. Best

Birthdays this week:

8/17-Larry VanHooser-~~50th~~
8/17-Kathryn Chapman
8/20-Walker Garner

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