

May 18, 2025

### GOD INVITES US TO WORSHIP HIM

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 133 Rev. Mark Husband

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers dwell in unity!

It is like the precious oil on the head, running down on the beard, on the beard of Aaron, running down on the collar of his robes!

It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

For there the LORD has commanded the blessing, life forevermore.

\*Song Oh How Good It Is

Oh, how good it is, when the family of God Dwells together in Spirit, in faith and unity Where the bonds of peace, of acceptance and love, Are the fruit of His presence here among us.

# Chorus

So with one voice we'll sing to the Lord; And with one heart we'll live out His Word. Till the whole world sees the Redeemer has come For He dwells in the presence of His people. Oh, how good it is on this journey we share,
To rejoice with the happy,
and weep with those who mourn.
For the weak find strength,
the afflicted find grace,
When we offer the blessing of belonging.
(chorus)

3

Oh, how good it is to embrace His command To prefer one another, forgive as He forgives. When we live as one, we all share in the love Of the Son with the Father and the Spirit. (chorus)

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\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Nicene Creed

Christians, what do you believe?

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 Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made; of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again, according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic\* and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to life in the world to come. Amen.

\*That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

\*SONG

1

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide; The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide. When other helpers fail and comforts flee, Help of the helpless, O abide with me.

I need Thy presence,
every passing hour.
What but Thy grace, can
foil the tempter's power?
Who, like Thyself, my
guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine,
O abide with me.

ABIDE WITH ME

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I fear no foe,
with Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight,
tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death?
Where grave thy victory?
I triumph still,
abide with me.

3
Hold Thou Thy cross,
before my closing eyes;
Shine through the gloom, and
point me to the skies.
Heaven's morning breaks, and
earth's vain shadows flee;
In life, in death, Lord,
abide with me.

### GOD CLEANSES US FROM OUR SIN

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ; Who pardons all that truly repent and believe in the name of Jesus; We humbly confess our sins and seek your mercy. We have not loved you with a pure heart, nor have we loved our neighbor as ourselves. We have not done justice, loved mercy, or walked humbly with you our God.

Have mercy on us, O Lord, according to your steadfast love; according to your grace offered in the gospel, forgive us our sin and cause us to walk in your ways in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

- Book of Common Prayer

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Titus 3:4-7

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Leader: In Christ you are forgiven. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Song

GOD OF EVERY GRACE

(Collection of tithes, gifts and offerings)

1

O let not this world of sorrows steal my only hope away,
For the power of Your gospel shines within this jar of clay.
In affliction You bring wisdom that my comforts can displace.
How my true and greatest treasure is in You, the God of grace.

Chorus

Now to the God of ev'ry grace
Who counts my tears,
Who holds my days.

I sing through sorrow, sing with faith.
Oh, praise the God of ev'ry grace.

2

Weary with the weight I carry, give me wings of faith to rise;
For You know each grief that lingers through the watches of the night.
Surely You have borne our suff rings, at the cross took up our pain;
And You lead us unto glory as we trust You, God of grace (chorus)

There's a dawning hope before us that I know is soon to break,
As I wait upon Your mercy which will swallow ev'ry ache.
Cries of joy and songs of vict'ry,

when we enter Heaven's gates, All Your children home together, all with You, the God of grace. (chorus x2)

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\*SCRIPTURE READING

EPHESIANS 2:1-22 Elder Billy Hollingsworth

<sup>2</sup> And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—<sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved—<sup>6</sup> and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. <sup>8</sup> For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, <sup>9</sup> not a result of works, so that no one may boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

<sup>11</sup> 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, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility. <sup>17</sup>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. <sup>19</sup> 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.

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God!

Our Father, who 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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

### GOD FEEDS US FROM HIS WORD

\*SERMON TEXT Haggai 1:1-11

¹ In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, on the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the hand of Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest: ² "Thus says the LORD of hosts: These people say the time has not yet come to rebuild the house of the LORD." ³ Then the word of the LORD came by the hand of Haggai the prophet, ⁴ "Is it a time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, while this house lies in ruins? ⁵ Now, therefore, thus says the LORD of hosts: Consider your ways. ⁶ You have sown much, and harvested little. You eat, but you never have enough; you drink, but you never have your fill. You clothe yourselves, but no one is warm. And he who earns wages does so to put them into a bag with holes.

7 "Thus says the LORD of hosts: Consider your ways. 8 Go up to the hills and bring wood and build the house, that I may take pleasure in it and that I may be glorified, says the LORD. 9 You looked for much, and behold, it came to little. And when you brought it home, I blew it away. Why? declares the LORD of hosts. Because of my house that lies in ruins, while each of you busies himself with his own house. 10 Therefore the heavens above you have withheld the dew, and the earth has withheld its produce. 11 And I have called for a drought on the land and the hills, on the grain, the new wine, the oil, on what the ground brings forth, on man and beast, and on all their labors."

Leader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God!** 

SERMON Rev. Mark Husband

"The Gospel According to Haggai"

### GOD FEEDS US AT HIS TABLE

#### THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

- CTK welcomes all baptized believers who are communing members of gospel-believing churches to participate in the Supper.
- ❖ Gluten-free and nut-free bread is in a small box on the plate.

#### SONG DURING COMMUNION

INSTRUMENTAL

\*Song

O GOD BEYOND ALL PRAISING

O God beyond all praising, we worship You today and sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay; For we can only wonder at every gift You send, at blessings without number and mercies without end: We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word, we honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring, that we who know Your favor may serve You as our King; And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill, we'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:

To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways, and make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

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### GOD SENDS US WITH HIS BLESSING

\*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.

\*DOXOLOGY/DISMISSAL

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.

SERMON NOTES Haggai 1:1-11 "The Gospel According to Haggai"

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### **Summer Kick-off!**

Come and join us for a church-wide potluck picnic on **May 31, from 5-8 pm**. Steve and Kelly Walter are opening their backyard--located at 1211 Statler Drive, Duncanville--and would love to see you there! Hamburgers, hotdogs (with buns and condiments), and drinks will be provided, but *please bring a favorite side or dessert to share*. Some quilts and chairs will also be provided, but *please bring a lawn chair if you have one*.

RSVP by May 24 to keldbel@gmail.com, 469-236-8369. Hope to see you there!

# **Youth Group**

Youth Group for grades 6 - 12, will meet tonight, Sunday, **May 18**, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the church office, 313 N 9<sup>th</sup> St, Midlothian 76065.

# **Items for Bridges Resource Center**

We are collecting **deodorant and body wash** for Bridges in May. You may place these items in the basket provided between the nursery and Welcome Table. Thank you for helping local families in need.

# **Come Pray Together**

We will meet to pray from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the church office, 313 N  $9^{th}$  St, Midlothian 76065 on Wednesday May 21 and June 18.

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