

JANUARY 14, 2024

FOR EVERYTHING THERE IS A SEASON
AND A TIME FOR EVERY MATTER UNDER HEAVEN

The Prelude *Hymn Medley* arr. L. Taylor

The Call to Worship Rev. Dean Williams

The Hymn of Praise *The Sands of Time Are Sinking*

The sands of time are sinking, the dawn of heaven breaks. The summer morn I've sighed for, the fair sweet morn awakes. Dark, dark had been the midnight, but dayspring is at hand. And glory, glory dwelleth, in Emmanuel's land.

The King there in His beauty, without a veil is seen. It were a well-spent journey, though seven deaths lay between. The Lamb with His fair army, doth on Mount Zion stand. And glory, glory dwelleth, in Emmanuel's land.

O Christ, He is the fountain, the deep sweet well of love. The streams of love I've tasted, more deep I'll drink above. There to an ocean fullness, His mercy doth expand. And glory, glory dwelleth, in Emmanuel's land.

The Bride eyes not her garment, but her dear Bridegroom's face. I will not gaze at glory, but on my King of Grace! Not at the crown He giveth, but on His pierced hand. The Lamb is all the glory of Emmanuel's land.

Oh! I am my Beloved's, and my Beloved is mine! He brings a poor vile sinner, into His house of wine. I stand upon His merit, I know no other stand. Not e'en where glory dwelleth, in Emmanuel's land.

Words by Anne Ross Cundell Cousin, music by Phillip Palmertree
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The Invocation Rev. Williams

The Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, You are Light, and in You there is no darkness at all. You are holy, holy, holy. But we are sinners, therefore we sin. Our hearts are apathetic toward You; our lips are unclean; our eyes are full of lust; our hands are quick to do evil; our minds are lazy and rebellious; our affections are misplaced. We love evil things, and we love created things more than we love You. Our transgressions are multiplied before You, and our sins testify against us; for we know our iniquities, denying the LORD, and turning back from following our God. We are debtors to your holy justice, and can do nothing to repay that debt. But You have sent Your Son into this world to seek and to save lost sinners, to bear the punishment we deserve! We pray that of Your free grace, through the obedience and satisfaction of Christ Jesus our Savior, You would pardon our daily failings and equip us to walk as the children of light, in goodness, righteousness, and truth.

The Assurance of Pardon *Ephesians 1:3-7*

The Song

Eternal Weight of Glory

Now the days and hours and moments of our suffering seem so long; and the toilsome wait and wond'ring threaten silence to our song. Now our pain is real and pressing where our faith is thin and weak, but our hope is set on Jesus; and we cling to him, our strength.

Oh eternal weight of glory! Oh inheritance divine! We will see our Lord redeeming every past and future time. All our pains will be transfigured, like the scars of Christ our Lord. We will see the weight of glory and our broken years restored.

For behold! I tell a myst'ry: at the trumpet sound we'll wake "death is swallowed up in vict'ry!" when we meet our King of Grace. Every year we thought was wasted, every night we cried "How long?" All will be a passing moment in our Savior's vict'ry song.

We will see our wounded Savior. We'll behold him face to face; and we'll hear our anguished stories sung as vict'ry songs of grace. *Refrain*

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The Scripture Reading *Matthew 25:14-30*

The Offering *O Thou in Whose Presence*

O Thou, in Whose presence my soul takes delight, on Whom in affliction I call, my comfort by day and my song in the night, my hope, my salvation, my all.

Where dost Thou, dear Shepherd, resort with Thy sheep, to feed them in pastures of love? Say, why in the valley of death should I weep, or alone in this wilderness rove?

He looks, and ten thousands of angels rejoice, and myriads wait for His Word; He speaks, and eternity, filled with His voice, re-echoes the praise of the Lord.

Dear Shepherd, I hear, and will follow Thy call; I know the sweet sound of Thy voice; restore and defend me, for Thou art my all, and in Thee I will ever rejoice.

Joseph Swain, Freeman Lewis, arr. Peter Anglea © Soundforth

Children ages 2-4 may come forward for the Children's Message. Afterward, those in the 2-3-year-old classes are dismissed to Church Time in the Nursery.

The Children's Message Rev. Caleb Cangelosi

The Psalm *The Day of the Lord (Psalm 37)*

It's not long till the boastful are silenced and shamed. It's not long till the wealth of the wicked's reclaimed. And the ones who have waited with eyes on the Lord will shine like the sun forevermore. It's not long till the Day of the Lord!

Just be still and be faithful and dwell in the land. Put your trust in the Savior and cling to his hand. When your heart burns with anger for all that is wrong, do not let the dark steal your song. It's not long till the Day of the Lord!

It's not long till the Day of the Lord, it's not long till the Day of the Lord! Everything that is broken will soon be restored. It's not long till the Day of the Lord!

Do not fear for the wicked with weapons of war, for the Lord is the shelter and strength of the poor. And our God comes with laughter, let him be your joy. The power of the sword, he'll destroy. It's not long till the Day of the Lord! *Refrain*

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The Intercessory Prayer Ruling Elder Neil Barnes

The Scripture Reading *Ephesians 5:15-17; Colossians 4:5-6*

The Sermon Rev. Cangelosi

Faithful Stewards: Redeeming the Time

The Hymn of Response No. 478 *I Love to Tell the Story*

The Benediction Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude *Look Ye Saints, the Sight is Glorious* arr. A. Page

EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 P. M.

We will worship our glorious God tonight as we sing, pray, and receive the word preached by Rev. Dean Williams. We are working through the book of Amos and the Westminster Larger Catechism on Sunday evenings. Tonight we are on Amos 2 and WLC #157-158.

The Path to True Humility
James 4:1-10



WELCOME VISITORS!

Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ. We pray the Word of God and the people of God will be an encouragement to you today.

- Scan the QR code to fill out our online information form.
- Visit our website to learn more about us: pearorchard.org.
- Make use of our Nursery for your children under 2. Our cry room, located in the Parlor south of the Sanctuary, is also available.
- Attend one of our Sunday School classes, 10:00-10:45 a.m. every Sunday morning. See the monitors for locations.
- We have a thriving disability ministry (Sonbeams) that is here to serve all individuals and families touched by disability.



NEWS IN BRIEF

- **Lydia Circle:** Due to possible inclement weather on Tuesday, January 16, Lunch Bunch will meet **Tuesday, January 23**, 11:30 a.m. at Enzo Osteria, 970 Highland Colony Parkway, Ridgeland. For more information, call Mary Lou Heany at 601-506-1432.
- **Congregational Meeting on January 28, 2024:** The congregational meeting to elect officers & to vote on the motions in the letter that went out this week will be held during Sunday School on January 28, 2024.
- **Sunday Night Fellowship:** Please join us on January 28th at 5:30 pm in the gym for the next Sunday Night Fellowship! We are having a baked potato bar and the Joni and Friends Report. POPC will provide baked potatoes and drinks. Please scan the QR code to review the available slots if you are interested in bringing a big salad or fruit or a wild card potato topping! 
- **Magnolia Classic Dodgeball Tournament:** Saturday, February 3, at Hartfield Academy. Teams consist of 6 players: 8:30 am Children & intense brackets. 12:30 pm High Intensity. Email kate.williams@joniandfriends.org for more info. 
- **Communicants Class:** Our annual Communicants Class begins Sunday, February 4th! This 7-week class is required for our non-communing covenant children to prepare them for communing membership. Register with John Kwasny (jkwasny@pearorchard.org). Informational flyers that must be read and signed by parent and student before the first class are located in the foyer.
- **Joni & Friends '24 Family Retreat:** The sign up is open and available at joniandfriends.org/ms for the Joni & Friends Family Retreat in Navoo, AL. Week 1: June 17-21; Week 2: June 24-28. Victoria Benson: 601-209-7888 or Daphne Clark: 601-594-3743 for questions.
- **RYM Registration is open!** Middle School RYM: June 24-28 for rising 7th - 9th Graders; High School RYM: July 8th-13th for rising 10th graders - rising college freshmen. Contact Ashley Benton for the link to sign up!

STAY CONNECTED

- Visit our website: pearorchard.org
- Make regular use of our church mobile app: **Ministry One**
 - Info on its many uses: pearorchard.org/church-directory
- Follow us on social media.
- Every Friday you can read our weekly email update, delivered straight to your inbox.
 - Email Liz at ltaylor@pearorchard.org if you do not receive it.
- Ask for prayer: pray@pearorchard.org

UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

- 1.19 POPC Family Board Game Night – 7:00-9:30 p.m. – Gym
- 1.23 Lunch Bunch – 11:30 a.m. – Enzo Osteria
- 1.24 Wednesday Night Ministries Begin
- 1.28 Congregational Meeting – 10:00-10:45 a.m. – Sanctuary
SNF – 5:30 p.m. – Gym
- 2.3 Magnolia Classic Dodgeball Tournament – Hartfield Academy
- 2.4 Communicants Class Begins – 4:00-5:30 p.m. – Rm. 127
- 2.6 Lydia Circle – 10:00-11:30 a.m. – Parlor
- 2.11 Missions Festival Week Begins

Ministers: The People of God Rev. Caleb Cangelosi – Senior Pastor Rev. Carl Kalberkamp, Jr. – Associate Pastor of Congregational Care Rev. Dean Williams – Associate Pastor of Missions and Outreach	
Earl Adams – Congregational Care Assistant Megan Adcock – Children’s Ministry Coordinator Ashley Benton – Youth Ministry Coordinator Daphne Clark – Sonbeams Director Susie Cook – Organist Becca Davis – Music Ministry Intern Tony Edwards – Maintenance Technician Bobby Epps – Youth Ministry Director Rick Goodwin – Business Administrator Howard Graylin – Sound Team Leader Margaret Harvey – Church Hostess Tammie Haynes – Women’s Ministry Director Cathy Haynie – CCS Head of School	Patsy Holeman – Financial Administrator Jan Johnson – Nursery Coordinator John Kwasny – Executive Ministry Director Edwin Lewis – Facilities Maintenance Director Chris Payne – Maintenance Technician Seija Smith – Youth Ministry Staff Margaret Sprow – Music Director Steve Tackitt – Maintenance Technician Liz Taylor – Media Communication Manager Madison Taylor – Worship Team Leader Sam Thoman – Youth Ministry Staff Anna Vinson – Administrative Assistant
Pastoral Intern: Marcus Smith, College and Young Adults	

MISSION PARTNER OF THE WEEK

French Camp Academy (FCA) French Camp, MS

FCA, A Christ centered home and school, exists to serve young people and families for the glory of God. Though their backgrounds are diverse, all of the students trust French Camp Academy to empower them to thrive emotionally, come alive spiritually, stretch academically, grow physically, and mature socially. The staff at FCA would like us to pray that God will fill their beds with children and teenagers who need the ministry of FCA. Pray that the staff will leverage their spiritual and natural abilities to be even more effective in God’s work.