

NOVEMBER 26, 2023

“I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU!”

The Prelude *Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus* arr. M. Walters

The Call to Worship Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Psalm of Praise No. 1 *All People That on Earth Do Dwell (Psalm 100)*

All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice; him serve with fear, his praise forthtell, come ye before him and rejoice.

The Lord ye know is God indeed; without our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.

O enter then his gates with praise, approach with joy his courts unto; praise, laud, and bless his name always, for it is seemly so to do.

For why? The Lord our God is good, his mercy is forever sure; his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.

Psalm 100, William Kethe, 1561, music from Louis Bourgeois's *Genevan Psalter*

The Invocation Rev. Dean Williams

The Confession of Faith The Heidelberg Catechism #26

Pastor: What do you believe when you say: “I believe in God the Father, almighty, maker of heaven and earth”?

*Pastor and People: That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son.*

*I trust him so much that I do not doubt he will provide whatever I need for body and soul, and he will turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this sad world.*

*He is able to do this because he is almighty God; he desires to do this because he is a faithful Father.*

The Song *O Love That Will Not Let Me Go*

O love that will not let me go, I rest my weary soul in Thee. I give Thee back the life I owe, that in Thine ocean depths its flow may richer fuller be.

O light that foll'west all my way, I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee. My heart restores its borrowed ray, that in Thy sunshine's blaze its day may brighter fairer be.

O joy that seekest me through pain, I cannot close my heart to Thee. I trace the rainbow through the rain and feel the promise is not vain, that morn shall tearless be.

O cross that lifteth up my head, I dare not ask to fly from Thee. I lay in dust life's glory dead, and from the ground there blossoms red life that shall endless be.

Words by George Matheson, music by Christopher Miner ©1997 Christopher Miner Music CCLI 600485

The Scripture Reading

Hebrews 11:6-16

The Offering

*My Savior's Love*

Liz Taylor, viola

I stand amazed in the presence of Jesus the Nazarene, and wonder how he could love me, a sinner, condemned, unclean. How marvelous! How wonderful! And my song shall ever be: How marvelous! How wonderful is my Savior's love for me!

Charles Gabriel, arr. Molly Ijames © Beckenhorst Press

*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. Williams

The Hymn No. 676

*Day by Day and With Each Passing Moment*

Day by day and with each passing moment, strength I find to meet my trials here; trusting in my Father's wise bestowment, I've no cause for worry or for fear. He whose heart is kind beyond all measure gives unto each day what he deems best— lovingly, its part of pain and pleasure, mingling toil with peace and rest.

Every day the Lord himself is near me with a special mercy for each hour; all my cares he fain would bear, and cheer me, he whose name is Counselor and Pow'r. The protection of his child and treasure is a charge that on himself he laid; "As your days, your strength shall be in measure," this the pledge to me he made.

Help me then in every tribulation so to trust your promises, O Lord, that I lose not faith's sweet consolation offered me within your holy Word. Help me, Lord, when toil and trouble meeting, e'er to take, as from a father's hand, one by one, the days, the moments fleeting, till I reach the promised land.

Carolina Sandell Berg, 1865, Oscar Ahnfelt, 1872

The Intercessory Prayer

Ruling Elder John Kwasny

The Scripture Reading

II Kings 8:1-6

The Sermon

Rev. Kalberkamp

*Welcome Home!*

The Hymn of Response No. 479

*Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling, calling for you and for me; see, on the portals he's waiting and watching, watching for you and for me.

*Come home, come home, ye who are weary, come home; earnestly, tenderly, Jesus is calling, calling O sinner, come home!*

Why should we tarry when Jesus is pleading, pleading for you and for me? Why should we linger and heed not his mercies, mercies for you and for me? *Chorus*

Time is now fleeting, the moments are passing, passing from you and from me; shadows are gathering death beds are coming, coming for you and for me. *Chorus*

Oh! For the wonderful love he has promised, promised for you and for me; though we have sinned, he has mercy and pardon, pardon for you and for me. *Chorus*

Will L. Thompson, 1880

The Benediction

Rev. Kalberkamp

The Postlude

*Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*

arr. R. Hobby

### On Heaven

“An ignorant man looks at a star and it appears to him like a little silver spot, but the astronomer, who has his instrument to judge the dimension of a star, knows it to be many degrees bigger than the earth. So a natural man hears of the heavenly country that it is very glorious, but it is at a great distance. And because he has not a spirit of discernment, the world looks bigger in his eye. But such as are spiritual artists, who have the instrument of faith to judge heaven, will say it is by far the better country and they will hasten there with the sails of desire.”

-Puritan Thomas Watson

### 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 reading through the book of Acts and working through the Westminster Larger Catechism on Sunday evenings. Tonight we are on Acts 28:11-31 and WLC #96-97.

*Love through Mercy*

James 2:10-13

## 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](http://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

- **Lord's Supper Next Sunday Morning:** Please prepare your heart this week for the celebration of the Lord's Supper, in obedience to I Corinthians 11:27-28. Examine yourself regarding your knowledge to discern the Lord's body, of your faith to feed upon Him, and of your repentance, love, and new obedience (Westminster Shorter Catechism #97).
- **Monthly Prayer for Missions:** Next Sunday from 5:00-5:45 p.m., join us in the Sanctuary to pray for our missionaries, church planters, ministry partners, and the progress of the gospel around the world.
- **Visitors and New Members** are invited to a luncheon in the Cafeteria immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, December 3.
- **Comfort and Joy:** Ladies, 9th grade and up are invited to attend our festive, annual Christmas event, Comfort and Joy, December 7, at 6:30 pm in the multipurpose building. Our speaker is Carrie Mills of Brandon Presbyterian Church. Our special music is provided by John and Anna Clemmer. Sign up to bring food with this QR code. No childcare provided.
- **Canton Christmas Animation & Snow Village:** Please join Lydia Circle on Tuesday, Dec. 5, 10:00 a.m. at Canton's Animation Museum and new Snow Village. Anyone is welcome! Admission is \$4/person. If you need more info, call Mary Lou Heaney at 601-506-1432.
- **Sonbeams Christmas Deliveries:** Tuesday, Dec 12, meet in POPC gym at 5:30 p.m. Join us in delivering Christmas gifts to our Sonbeams. It's a taste of Heaven as we seek to bring the joy, celebration, grace, love, and seeking heart of Jesus to our special needs friends. Contact Daphne at [dclark@ccs.ms](mailto:dclark@ccs.ms) or 601 594-3743 if you can deliver with us.
- **Current College Students** are invited to join us for a Christmas Gathering at the Harvey Household on December 13th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. 312 Ironwood Drive, Madison MS. Contact [sthoman@pearorchard.org](mailto:sthoman@pearorchard.org) for more information.



## STAY CONNECTED

- Visit our website: [pearorchard.org](http://pearorchard.org)
- Make regular use of our church mobile app: **Ministry One**
  - Info on its many uses: [pearorchard.org/church-directory](http://pearorchard.org/church-directory)
- Follow us on social media.
  - [Facebook.com/pearorchardPCA](https://www.facebook.com/pearorchardPCA)
  - [Instagram.com/pearorchard](https://www.instagram.com/pearorchard)
  - [Twitter.com/pearorchard](https://twitter.com/pearorchard)
- Every Friday you can read our weekly email update, delivered straight to your inbox.
  - Email Liz at [ltaylor@pearorchard.org](mailto:ltaylor@pearorchard.org) if you do not receive it.
- Ask for prayer: [pray@pearorchard.org](mailto:pray@pearorchard.org)
- Learn more about Christ Covenant School, POPC's Pre-School through High School, at [ccs.ms](http://ccs.ms).

### MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

#### **Gateway Rescue Mission Jackson, MS**

Gateway Rescue Mission offers life changing hope through the Gospel of Jesus Christ to homeless men, women, and children through programs that provide food, shelter, counseling, and discipleship. Pray that the light of the gospel will shine brightly in the hearts of the men and women whom they serve. Pray that God will supply all the resources Gateway needs according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

## UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

- 12.3 New Members/Visitors Luncheon – 12:15 p.m. – Cafeteria  
12.5 Lydia Circle – 10:00 a.m. – Canton Christmas Animation  
12.7 Comfort and Joy – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Gym  
12.10 Cherub Choir Christmas Pageant – 6:00 p.m. – Gym  
12.12 Sonbeams Christmas Deliveries  
12.13 College Students Christmas Gathering – 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
12.15 Family Board Game Night – 6:00-9:30 p.m. – Gym  
12.17 Lessons and Carols Service – 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary  
12.24 Sunday School – 9:30 a.m., Morning Worship – 10:30 a.m.  
Christmas Eve Service – 4:30 p.m.

### 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  
Heatherly Edgar – Financial Administrator  
Tony Edwards – Maintenance Technician  
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

Jan Johnson – Nursery Coordinator  
Russell Kirby – Security Guard  
John Kwasny – Executive Ministry Director  
Edwin Lewis – Facilities Maintenance Director  
Chris Payne – Maintenance Technician  
Marcus Smith – Youth Ministry Intern  
Seija Smith – Youth Ministry Intern  
Margaret Sprow – Music Director  
Steve Tackitt – Maintenance Technician  
Liz Taylor – Media Communication Manager  
Madison Taylor – Worship Team Leader  
Sam Thoman – Interim Youth Ministry Director  
Anna Vinson – Administrative Assistant



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to pursue transformation by truth and grace together  
for the glory of Christ.*