

SEPTEMBER 24, 2023

IN THESE LAST DAYS GOD HAS SPOKEN TO US
BY HIS SON JESUS CHRIST

The Prelude

I Surrender All

arr. M. Parks

The Call to Worship

Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Hymn of Praise No. 101

Come, Thou Almighty King

Come, thou Almighty King, help us thy name to sing, help us to praise. Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious, come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.

Come, thou Incarnate Word, gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend. Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word success; Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

Come, Holy Comforter, thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour. Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart, and he'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.

To the great One in Three eternal praises be, hence evermore. His sovereign majesty may we in glory see, and to eternity love and adore.

Anon. ca. 1757, music by Felice de Giardini, 1769

The Invocation

Rev. Kalberkamp

The Confession of Faith

Hebrews 4:12; 2 Peter 1:21; 2 Timothy 3:16;
John 17:17, 10:35; Isaiah 40:8; Psalm 119:105

We believe that the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart. For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit. All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness. God's word is truth, and the Scripture cannot be broken. The grass withers, and the flower fades, but the word of our God stands forever. It is a lamp to our feet and a light to our path.

The Song

Yet Not I But Through Christ in Me

What gift of grace is Jesus my Redeemer, there is no more for heaven now to give. He is my joy, my righteousness and freedom, my steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, for my life is wholly bound to his. Oh, how strange and divine, I can sing: all is mine! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

The night is dark but I am not forsaken, for by my side, the Savior He will stay. I labor on in weakness and rejoicing, for in my need, His power is displayed. To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me; through the deepest valley He will lead. Oh, the night has been won and I shall overcome! Yet not I, but through Christ in me.

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven. The future sure, the price it has been paid. For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon and He was raised to overthrow the grave. To this I hold, my sin has been defeated; Jesus now and ever is my plea. Oh, the chains are released, I can sing; I am free, yet not I, but through Christ in me.

With every breath I long to follow Jesus, for He has said that He will bring me home; and day by day I know He will renew me until I stand with joy before the throne. To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus, all the glory evermore to Him. When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat, "Yet not I, but through Christ in me."

Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson, Michael Farren © 2018 CityAlight Music CCLI 600485

The Scripture Reading

Hebrews 3

The Offertory

Nothing But the Blood of Jesus

Liz Taylor, violin

What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.

O precious is the flow that makes me white as snow; no other fount I know, nothing but the blood of Jesus.

For my pardon this I see; nothing but the blood of Jesus. For my cleansing this my plea: nothing but the blood of Jesus.

This is all my hope and peace: nothing but the blood of Jesus. This is all my righteousness: nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Nothing can for sin atone: nothing but the blood of Jesus. Naught of good that I have done; nothing but the blood of Jesus.

Robert Lowry, arr. Craig Courtney © 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. Caleb Cangelosi

The Psalm

The Stars Declare His Glory (Psalm 19)

The stars declare his glory; the vault of heaven springs mute witness of the Master's hand in all created things, and through the silences of space their soundless music sings.

The dawn returns in splendor, the heavens burn and blaze, the rising sun renews the race that measures all our days and writes in fire across the skies God's majesty and praise.

So shine the Lord's commandments to make the simple wise; more sweet than honey to the taste, more rich than any prize, a law of love within our hearts, a light before our eyes.

So order too this life of mine, direct it all my days; the meditations of my heart be innocence and praise, my rock and my redeeming Lord, in all my words and ways.

Words by Timothy Dudley-Smith based on Psalm 19, music by David Haas

The Intercessory Prayer

Ruling Elder Mark Henry

The Scripture Reading

II Kings 2:15-25

The Sermon

Rev. Cangelosi

A Tale of Two Cities and the Word of God

The Hymn of Response No. 140

O Word of God Incarnate

O Word of God incarnate, O Wisdom from on high, O Truth unchanged, unchanging, O Light of our dark sky; we praise thee for the radiance that from the hallowed page; a lantern to our footsteps, shines on from age to age.

The church from her dear Master received the gift divine, and still that light se lifteth o'er all the earth to shine. It is the golden casket, where gens of truth are stored; it is the heav'n-drawn picture of Christ, the living Word.

It floateth like a banner before God's host unfurled; it shineth like a beacon above the darkling world. It is the cart and compass that o'er life's surging sea, 'mid mists and rocks and quicksands, still guides, O Christ to thee.

O make thy church, dear Savior, a lamp of purest gold, to bear before the nations thy true light, as of old. O teach thy wand'ring pilgrims by this their path to trace, till, clouds and darkness ended, they see thee face to face.

William Walsham How, 1867, *Meiningen Gesangbuch*, 1693

The Benediction

Rev. Cangelosi

The Postlude

From Thy Throne On High

arr. C. Gluck

EVENING WORSHIP

6:00 P. M.

We will worship our glorious God tonight as we sing, pray, and receive the word preached by Rev. Caleb Cangelosi. We are reading through the book of Acts and working through the Westminster Larger Catechism on Sunday evenings. Tonight we are on Acts 21:37-22:29 and WLC #84-85.

Looking at Our Trials Through a Wide Angle Lens

James 1:12

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

- **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.
- **We extend our sympathies to Rusty and Evie Clark** in the death of Rusty's mother, Patti, on Tuesday, September 19th. Please be in prayer for the Clarks as they grieve the loss of their loved one.
- **New Podcast for Kids!** One Story Time, by Dr. John Kwasny, is a 10-minute podcast that drops every Tuesday and Thursday. Children of all ages will learn a new Biblical word, an answer to a challenging question, or a Bible story application. Available on your favorite podcast app.
- **The Music Ministry invites you** to come sing with us for Christmas! We will present a Lessons and Carols Service accompanied by brass quintet in the morning worship services on Dec. 17. To participate, come to choir on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:30 beginning Oct. 4 and to our extra rehearsal on the morning of Oct. 21.
- **Fall Fellowship:** Join us for the 10th Annual Churchwide Fall Fellowship on Wednesday, October 25, beginning at 5:30 p.m.! Enjoy dinner, trunk or treat, kickball, live music, and more! For more information and to sign up to help visit pearorchard.org.

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.
 - [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 if you do not receive it.
- Ask for prayer: pray@pearorchard.org
- Learn more about Christ Covenant School, POPC's Pre-School through High School, at ccs.ms.

MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

Jeff Jordan
Reformed University Fellowship
Mississippi College

RUF campus ministers strive to serve in this unique stage of a student's life in the world they live in, exploring together how the Lordship of Christ informs every area of life. Please pray for God's blessings on Jeff's current Bible study series on the Book of Acts. In Jeff's own words, "Please pray we will, in Derek Thomas' words, 'catch a vision of a great work that needs to be done before Christ returns.'" Jeff would also have us to pray for him and his team's faithfulness and courage as this year's incoming class of new students is more than twice as large as last year's class. Pray that they will effectively connect with these new students via their large and small group gatherings, and through their one-on-one interactions with them.

UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS

- 10.3 Lydia Circle – 10:00-11:30 p.m. – Parlor
- 10.17 Lunch Bunch – 11:30 a.m. – Crazy Cat in Canton Mart Square
- 10.20 Family Board Game Night – 7:00-9:30 p.m. – Gym
- 10.21 Connect Four – 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. – Gym
- 10.25 Fall Fellowship – 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Church Grounds
- 11.3 Sonbeams Night Out – 5:00-9:00 p.m. – Gym
- 11.7 Lydia Circle – 10:00-11:30 p.m. – Parlor
- 11.17 Family Board Game Night – 7:00-9:30 p.m. – Gym
- 11.23 Church Offices Closed for Thanksgiving
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- 12.5 Lydia Circle – 10:00-11:30 p.m. – Parlor
- 12.7 Comfort and Joy – 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Gym
- 12.15 Family Board Game Night – 7:00-9:30 p.m. – Gym

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
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
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.*