

SERMON NOTES:

1. God’s Word is True

2. God’s Kingdom Has Come and is Coming

The flowers today are given to the glory of God in loving memory of our parents
by John Bond and Lucy Foster.

The flowers will be arranged by the Flower Committee and delivered by volunteers to our
homebound and hospitalized on Monday, May 22nd.



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This Week at 1st Pres

Sunday, May 21		
9:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
9:15 AM	Children’s Church	Children’s Wing
10:15 AM	Sunday School	Fellowship Hall
11:00 AM	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:30 AM	Children’s Church	Children’s Wing
5:15 PM	Evening Worship Service	Sanctuary
Monday, May 22		
10:00 AM	Flower Delivery Pick-Up	Connector
	Women’s Prayer Ministry	Session Room
5:30 PM	Session Monthly Meeting	Session Room
6:00 PM	Bell Choir Practice	SS 208
6:30 PM	Titus Women’s Small Group	Tower 10 th Floor
Tuesday, May 23		
10:00 AM	All-Staff Meeting	Tower 402
12:00 PM	Beatitude Living	Tower 404
6:30 PM	Virtual House of Prayer	Zoom
Wednesday, May 24		
6:30 AM	Dead Theologians Society	Fellowship Hall
4:30 PM	Deacon-on-Call	Connector
	World Missions Prayer Time	Tower 303
5:30 PM	Rapha Fellowship	SS 209 & SS 210
6:15 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room
Thursday, May 25		
10:00 AM	Balance Exercise Class	Student Center
3:15 PM	First Friends English Class	Student Center
5:15 PM	Orchestra Rehearsal	Choir Room
7:30 PM	Virtual House of Prayer	Zoom
Friday, May 26		
10:15 AM	Support Staff Meeting	
12:00 PM	Card-E-Ology	Tower 8 th Floor

The Sacrament of Baptism takes place on the 1st Sunday of a month.
The Sacrament of Communion takes place on the 3rd Sunday of each month.

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city-center church committed to fulfilling the Great Commission
in Chattanooga, North America, and around the world,
to the glory of the Triune God.

The Lord’s Day
SUNDAY, MAY 21, 2023
11:00 AM

† Please stand as you are able.

THE GATHERING OF GOD’S PEOPLE

PRAYER OF PREPARATION
As we draw near to worship You this day,
may the seeker find salvation
and the careless be awakened.
May the doubting find faith
and the anxious be encouraged.
May the tempted find help
and the sorrowful find comfort.
May the weary find rest
and the strong be renewed.
May the aged find strength
and the young be inspired.
Do all of this for Your glory and our good
through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PRELUDE
“What a Friend We Have in Jesus” arr. Susan Whitacre
String Quartet

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PREPARING HEARTS AND MINDS FOR WORSHIP
“Come to Me” by Dan Forrest

THE PRAISE OF GOD’S PEOPLE

† CALL TO WORSHIP
Matthew 11:28-30 ESV
Pastor: “Come to Me,
all who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest.
Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me,
People: For I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.
For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light.”

†PRAYER OF INVOCATION

†THE LORD’S PRAYER
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.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil:
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

†HYMNS OF PRAISE

“Come to the Waters” *Bulletin*
“We Come, O Christ, to You” *No. 181 (vv. 1-5)*

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Westminster Shorter Catechism #1
Q: What is the chief end of man?
A: Man’s chief end is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.

PRAYER OF INTERCESSION

OFFERTORY
“Come to the Water” arr. Lynda Hasseler

GREETING & DISMISSAL TO CHILDREN’S CHURCH
Please check in your children PreK-1st grade at the check-in station by the Fellowship Hall level elevator and walk them to the PreK-K dept.

†GLORIA PATRI

THE WORD FOR GOD’S PEOPLE
SERMON
Revelation 22:6-15 — “What Jesus Wants Us to Know in the Last Days”
“Revelation: Roadmap for Daily Life, Refuge for the Future”
Gabriel N.E Fluhrer

TASTING GOD’S GRACE

CONFESSION OF SIN
Gracious, heavenly Father,
We plead Your mercy due to our cold and stony hearts.
Other voices too frequently trump Yours.
Desires for other things give rise to a divided heart.
A double-mindedness causes us instability.
Worries, cares, riches, and pleasures of this world
have choked out the life-giving fruit of Your Word.
May Your Spirit soften our hearts this day
to hear, read, mark, learn,
and inwardly digest Your Word,
to the end that we receive and hold fast
to the blessed hope of everlasting life,
which You have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON
Ezekiel 36:25-27 ESV
I will sprinkle clean water on you,
and you shall be clean from all your uncleannesses,
and from all your idols I will cleanse you.
And I will give you a new heart,
and a new spirit I will put within you.
And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh
and give you a heart of flesh.
And I will put My Spirit within you,
and cause you to walk in My statutes
and be careful to obey My rules.

COMMUNION
• Communion, also called the Lord’s Supper or the Eucharist,
is the family meal of Christians when we recall Jesus’ cross,
relive His anguish, and renew our vows to live as His followers.
• We invite all to participate in this meal:
who profess faith in Jesus Christ,
who are members of a gospel-proclaiming church,
who are endeavoring to live at peace with God and others,
and who seek strengthening grace to live more faithfully for Jesus.
• If you are not yet a follower of Jesus, we encourage you to spend
this time considering Jesus’ broken body and shed blood. Pray and
ask Him to forgive your sins and to give you eternal life.

CELEBRATION OF LORD’S SUPPER

†HYMN OF RESPONSE
“At the Lamb’s High Feast We Sing” *No. 420 (vv. 1-3)*

THE SENDING OF GOD’S PEOPLE
†BENEDICTION
1 Thessalonians 5:23 ESV

Pastor: Now may the God of peace Himself
sanctify you completely,
and may your whole spirit and soul and body
be kept blameless
at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.
He Who calls you is faithful;
He will surely do it.
People: Thanks be to God. Amen.

POSTLUDE
“Wer Nur den lieben Gott lässt walten” by J.S. Bach
 (“If thou but trust in God to guide thee”)
Patrick Rice, organ

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Come To The Waters

Whoever is thirsty, let him come. Rev. 22:17

1. Come to the wa - ters, who - ev - er is thirst - y;
2. Come to the Riv - er that flows through the ci - ty,
3. Come to the Foun - tain with - out an - y mon - ey;
4. Come to the Well of un - mer - it - ed fa - vor;
5. Come to the Sav - ior, the God of sal - va - tion.

drink from the Foun - tain that nev - er runs dry.
forth from the throne of the Fa - ther and Son.
buy what is giv - en with - out an - y cost.
stretch out your hand; fill your cup to the brim.
God has pro - vid - ed an end to sin's strife.

Je - sus, the Liv - ing One, of - fers you mer - cy,
Je - sus the Sav - ior says, "Come and drink deep - ly."
Je - sus, the gra - cious One, wel - comes the wea - ry;
Je - sus is such a com - pas - sion - ate Sav - ior.
Why will you suf - fer the Law's con - dem - na - tion?

life more a - bun - dant in bound - less sup - ply.
Drink from the pure, in - ex - haust - i - ble One.
Je - sus, the self - less One, died for the lost.
Draw from the grace that flows free - ly from Him.
Take the free gift of the wa - ter of life.