

Order of Worship

8:00 AM:

Song Leader: Charles Hamilton

296 We Have Come Into His House

Call to Worship: Jeff Watson

797 Lord, We Come Before Thee Now

406 Just a Closer Walk with Thee

351 He Bore It All

Bread: Alan Sandlin

Fruit of the Vine: Palmer Young

Giving: Eric Gilbey

452 Standing on the Promises

Scripture Reading: Eph. 3:14-21
Bryson Gilbey

622 Ring Out the Message

Sermon: Ricky Cook

912 Burdens are Lifted at Calvary

Prayer Requests/Announcements

— I Will Call Upon the Lord

Closing Prayer: Eric Gilbey

Usher 1: Kevin Hogg

Usher 2: LeRoy Bell

Projectionist: Carl Wamble

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and the Supplement.

10:30 AM:

Song Leader: Bruce Robins

422 Spirit of the Living God

Call to Worship: Michael Wilkins

488 Into the Heart of Jesus

140 Love Divine

— How Deep the Father's Love For Us

Bread: Jerry Prestridge

Fruit of the Vine: Steve Koziol

Giving: John Jones

568 Savior, Teach Me (PFL)

Scripture Reading: Eph. 3:14-21
Michael Ozomah

568 Jesus, Rose of Sharon

Sermon: Ricky Cook

517 Heaven Came Down

Prayer Requests/Announcements

678 More About Jesus

Closing Prayer: John Jones

Usher 1: Adrian Williams

Usher 2: Elijah Prestridge

Projectionist: Chuck Morris

Our songs today are from Songs of Faith and Praise and Praise for the Lord.



Guest Guide:

- Nursery and Training room are upstairs.
- Children's classes are downstairs.
- Looking for a church home? We'd love to tell you about this congregation.
- Please fill out a guest card and give it to one of the ushers.
- Communion cups are available in the foyer. The cups will be picked up by the ushers after communion.

Serving Next Week: February 1st

8:00 Service

Brother of the Month	Palmer Young
Song Leader	Carl Wamble
Call To Worship	Steve Jones
Bread	Eric Gilbey
Fruit of the Vine	Byron Vaughan
Giving	Palmer Young
Scripture Reader	Chris Forand
Closing Prayer	Palmer Young
Usher 1	Bryson Gilbey
Usher 2	Reggie White
Projectionist	Mike Wilson

10:30 Service

Brother of the Month	Kevin Nash
Song Leader	Antoine Johnson
Call to Worship	Michael Wilkins
Bread	Kevin Nash
Fruit of the Vine	Jerry Prestridge
Giving	Jesse Frerot
Scripture Reader	Adrian Williams
Closing Prayer	Jesse Frerot
Usher 1	Henry Jenkins
Usher 2	Neal Wilkins
Projectionist	Bruce Robins



Where Faith Meets Life!

Life Groups Meet Today

Laurel church of Christ

January 25, 2026

Who Is This?

"The other guests began to say among themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" Luke 7:49

In Luke's account of the gospel of Christ Jesus (noted above) there can be found a variant form of the question, "Who is the Lord?" This question is asked for many reasons. Pharaoh asked this question with insolence and arrogance (*Exodus 5:2*). Saul of Tarsus asked it out of astonishment and wonder (*Acts 9:5*). In Luke 7, the Pharisees asked this question due to their ignorance of Christ's person and office.

Men often take exception to and are offended by that which they do not understand. It is clear in Luke's account that the Pharisees saw the forgiving of sins as a divine prerogative belonging only to God (*Isaiah 43:25; Jeremiah 31:34*). It is equally clear from the gospel accounts that the works of Jesus validated all that He taught (*John 3:2; 9:31-33; 14:10-11*). Perhaps it is easier from our retrospective viewpoint to appreciate the great truth declared by John – **John 1:14** "And the Word became flesh..."

The question asked in Luke 7:49 is an important one with serious implication. Isaiah answered this question by prophecy, *Isaiah 9:6* "For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace."

"Who is this?" He is all that we need and more than we could ever hope for. Even as He showed Himself to be full of love, compassion, mercy, and grace to the woman in Luke 7, so He desires to be to all – *Luke 19:10*. As He showed Himself to be the Great Physician of both the physical and the spiritual, so He is to this very day – *Matthew 11:28*. He is our Friend, Savior, Helper, Lord and much, much more. To God be the glory! Amen!

Because He lives,
Ricky Cook