

Confession & Prayer of Repentance

Trusting in God's tender mercy, let us confess our sin to God with one another.

O God, we remember this day when You arrived at this rebellious city, which rejected You later. We wish to confess that we are as rebellious as Jerusalem, and our belief is sometimes more superficial. Our hearts need cleansing, so please, Savior of our lives, show mercy on us and pardon what is sinful. Help us to trust You, to sing Your praises, and to treat You as our own.

(Personal quiet confession)

Father, You have heard our confessions. Forgive us, we pray. Empower us to be imitators of Christ in love and service. In the holy Name of our Savior, Jesus, we pray, and we all agree by saying, Amen.

Words of Comfort & Affirmation (see Isaiah 55:6-7 NAS95)

God is our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him. If you have done as the Scriptures have commanded then in the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

People: In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

All: Glory be to God! Amen

Prayers of the People: (liturgy on screen)

The Peace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you always.

People: And, with you (Passing of the Peace)

Nicene Creed: (liturgy on screen)

Benediction and Sending



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Purpose Statement:

We exist to glorify God by serving as a conduit for the grace of God whereby faith the Love, Life, Lordship and Leadership of the Kingdom of Heaven is revealed and expanded to all nations.

Mission Statement:

We desire to be a multi-cultural, multi-generational conduit of the grace of God to be used to fulfil our purpose, for the glory of God.

Mailing address:

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Weekly Corporate Gatherings:

Sunday Worship Service- 10:00 AM
Discipleship Groups (times vary)

Staff:

Rev. Michael Hammond, Sr. - President & Senior Pastor
Rose Hammond- Receptionist

Order of Worship
Sunday, April 2, 2023

PALM SUNDAY (SUNDAY OF THE PASSION)

Congregation responses spoken together appear in **bold** print.

Call to Worship & Opening Prayer

God of all good gifts, today we praise Your name. We are grateful for Your steadfast love, which endures forever. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna to God's Son, Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna to God's Son.

Worship in Song (click on the song title for a YouTube track)

[He Reigns Forever](#)

[He Reigns](#)

[Agnus Dei](#)

Prayer for Illumination

We praise You, O God, for redeeming the world through our Savior Jesus Christ. We read in scripture that today Christ entered the holy city in triumph and was proclaimed Messiah and King by those who **spread garments and branches along His way. Grant us grace to follow our Lord in the way of the cross so that, joined to His death and resurrection, we may enter into life with You through the same Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen**

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9a (NASB95)

Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word (reflection)

Responsive Scripture Reading: Psalm 118:19-29

¹⁹ Open to me the gates of righteousness;
I shall enter through them, I shall give thanks to the Lord.

²⁰ **This is the gate of the Lord;
The righteous will enter through it.**

²¹ I shall give thanks to You, for You have answered me,
And You have become my salvation.

²² **The stone which the builders rejected
Has become the chief corner stone.**

²³ This is the Lord's doing;

It is marvelous in our eyes.

²⁴ **This is the day which the Lord has made;
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

²⁵ O Lord, do save, we beseech You;

O Lord, we beseech You, do send prosperity!

²⁶ **Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord;
We have blessed you from the house of the Lord.**

²⁷ The Lord is God, and He has given us light;

Bind the festival sacrifice with cords to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ **You are my God, and I give thanks to You;**

You are my God, I extol You.

²⁹ **Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;**

For His lovingkindness is everlasting.

Special Selection: [Keep the Faith](#)

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By: Charles Jenkins, Damian Farmer, Rodney Jones

Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:5-11 (NASB95)

Reader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thank you Lord for your Holy Word (reflection)

Gospel Reading: Matthew 26:1-27:66 (NASB95)

Sermon (10:30 a.m.) <https://www.facebook.com/fcmstl>

Authorities we want to remember in prayer this week

US Attorney General- Merrick Garland

Chief of Staff of the Army – General James McConville

Adjutant Gen. of MO Nat Guard – Brigadier Gen. Levon Cumpton

St Charles County Sheriff – Troy Berry

Executive Dir. of St Charles Community Council – Todd Barnes

Why God Has Highly Exalted Jesus
Philippians 2:5-11 (NASB95)

2 April 2023)
Pastor Michael Hammond Sr.

1. Jesus is the most powerful being to ever live because he is the *most* _____ to ever live (vv. 6-7).

2. Jesus *humbled* himself _____ (v. 8).

- Jesus became a human and a servant (vv. 6-7).
 - Jesus died for the sins of all humanity (v. 8).
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3. His _____ is why Jesus has been *highly* exalted (vv. 9-11).

The Glory That's Unsurpassed

By Oswald Chambers

...the Lord Jesus...has sent me that you may receive your sight... —
Acts 9:17

When Paul received his sight, he also received spiritual insight into the Person of Jesus Christ. His entire life and preaching from that point on were totally consumed with nothing but Jesus Christ— “For I determined not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified” (1 Corinthians 2:2). Paul never again allowed anything to attract and hold the attention of his mind and soul except the face of Jesus Christ.

We must learn to maintain a strong degree of character in our lives, even to the level that has been revealed in our vision of Jesus Christ. The lasting characteristic of a spiritual man is the ability to understand correctly the meaning of the Lord Jesus Christ in his life, and the ability to explain the purposes of God to others. The overruling passion of his life is Jesus Christ. Whenever you see this quality in a person, you get the feeling that he is truly a man after God’s own heart (see Acts 13:22).

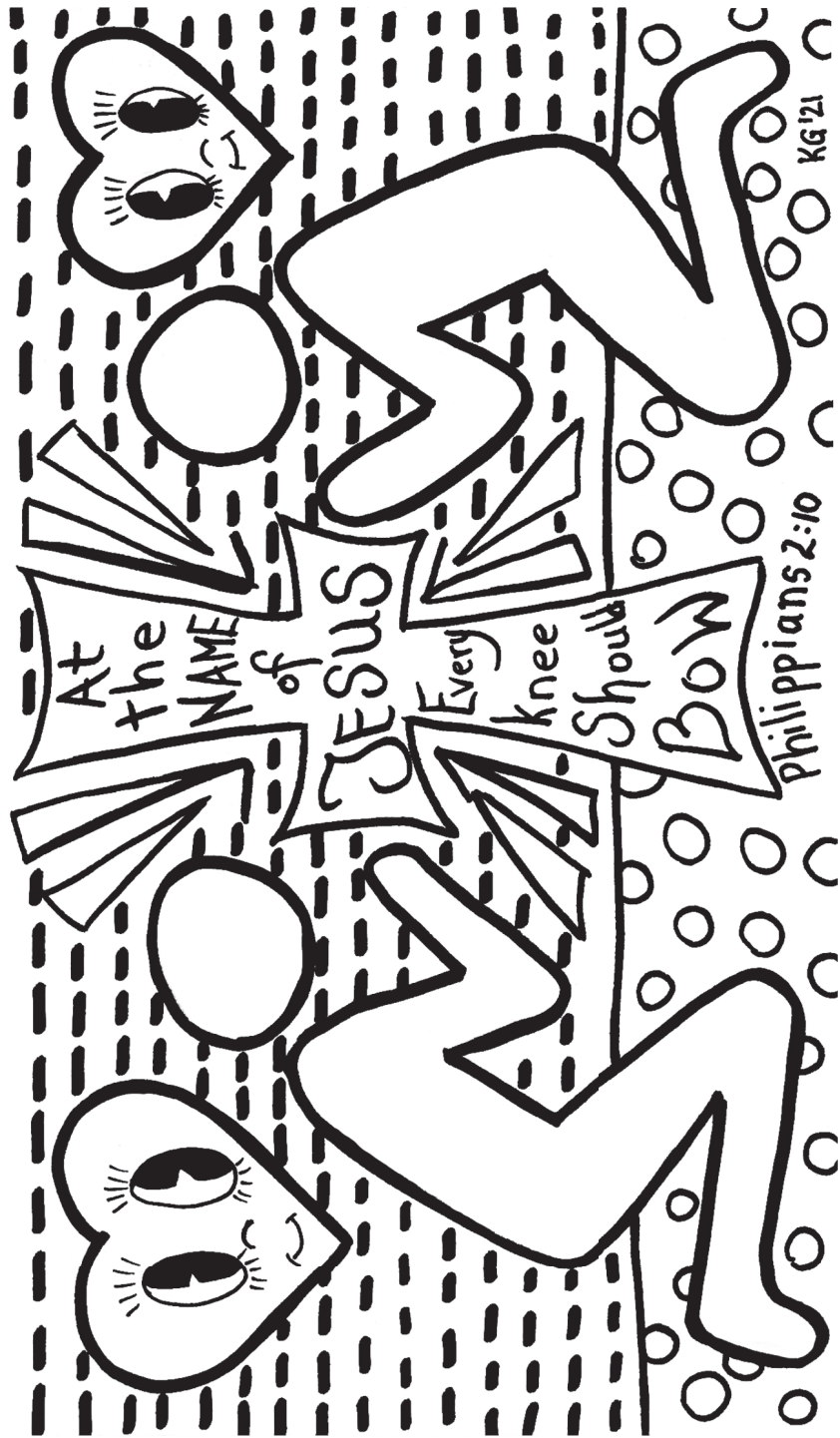
Never allow anything to divert you from your insight into Jesus Christ. It is the true test of whether you are spiritual or not. To be unspiritual means that other things have a growing fascination for you.

Since mine eyes have looked on Jesus,
I’ve lost sight of all beside,
So enchained my spirit’s vision,
Gazing on the Crucified.

Announcements

Our monthly Agape Love Feast will be today immediately following our corporate worship gathering. Visitors are welcome to attend.

Discipleship group reports are due today. If you have not yet submitted yours, please do so ASAP. Thank you!



My Worship Notes

Today is: _____
 The preacher is: _____

Today's Bible Passages

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

Words I don't understand ...

Questions I have about what was said ...

Today I ...

Confess

- Brought a friend to church.
- Spent time in prayer.
- Said "hello" to two people.

How many times did I hear these words? (make a tally mark)

Servant	Human	Cross	Exalted
Heaven	Earth	Glory	Gospel

MY NAME _____

What was the most important thing I learned today?



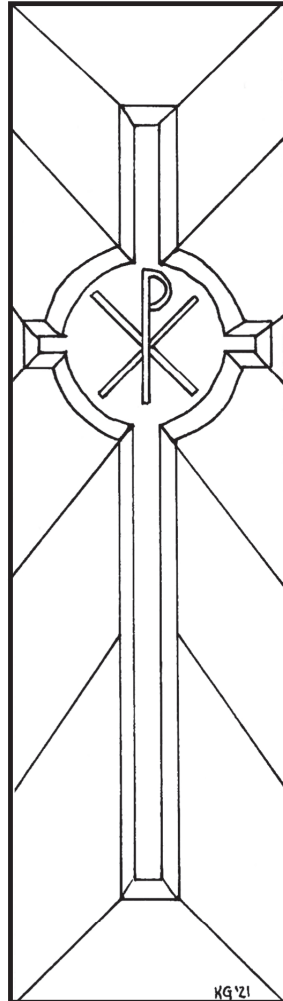
Who can I share Jesus with this week?

Songs we sang:



Four horizontal lines for writing song titles.

Who can you pray for this week?



KG'21

Word Scramble

EVSNATR

XETELDA

UHMNA

SPLOGE

VANEEH

ECRATEH

Answers: servant, exalted, human, heaven, gospel, teacher

Every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord.



Philippians 2: 11 KG'21