



City Church

PHILADELPHIA

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Galatians: The Gift of Christ
“Missteps at Antioch”

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PREPARATION

May our souls take refuge
from the crowding turmoil of worldly thought,
and beneath the shadow of your wings,
find peace in you, O God.

All Amen.

A period of silence is kept.

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you all.

All And also with you.

Sing to the Lord, bless his name!

All Tell of his salvation from day to day!

OPENING SONG

Wondrous King, All Glorious - Joachim Neander,
tr. William J. Schaefer

Wondrous king, all glorious, sovereign Lord victorious,
O, receive our praise with favor!
From thee welled God's kindness though we in our blindness
strayed from thee, our blessed savior.
Strengthen thou, help us now; let our tongues be singing,
thee our praises bringing.

Heavens, spread the story of our maker's glory,
all the pomp of earth obscuring.
Sun, thy rays be sending, thy bright beams expending,
light to all the earth assuring.
Moon and star, praise afar him who glorious made you;
the vast heavens aid you.

O, my soul, rejoicing, sing, thy praises voicing,
sing, with hymns of faith adore him!
All who here have being, shout, your voices freeing,
bow down in the dust before him.
He is God Sabaoth; praise alone the savior,
here and there for ever.

Hallelujahs render to the Lord most tender,
ye who know and love the savior.
Hallelujahs sing ye, ye redeemed, O, bring ye
hearts that yield him glad behavior.
Blest are ye endlessly; sinless there for ever,
ye shall laud him ever.

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OPENING RESPONSORIAL

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
All **those whose iniquity is covered.**

I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;
I said, "I confess my transgressions to the Lord,"
and you forgave the guilt of my sin.
You are a hiding place for me;
you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.
Many are the torments of the wicked,
but love surrounds those who trust the Lord.
Be glad in the Lord and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

from Psalm 32

PRAYER OF ADORATION AND THANKSGIVING

DOXOLOGY

All ye who are of tender heart,
forgiving others take your part.
Sing his praises, Alleluia!
Ye, who long pain and sorrow bear,
praise God and on him cast your care!
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their creator bless,
and worship him in humbleness,
O praise him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit three in one,
O praise him! O praise him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

CONFESSION OF SIN

All God our Father, full of grace:
through the faithfulness of Christ,
you have restored us to peace with you and one another.
Yet, we confess that we have grown proud of ourselves
and fearful of others.
We have withdrawn from you
and wrongly distanced ourselves
from your beloved children, our sisters and brothers.
Have mercy upon us and forgive us,
for the sake of your Son.
Heal our rifts and wounds
by the power of your Holy Spirit.

WORDS OF COMFORT AND ASSURANCE OF PARDON

May the Father forgive you
by the death of his Son
and strengthen you
to live in the power of the Spirit
all your days.

All Amen.

SONGS OF PRAISE AND THANKSGIVING

Lord, I Need You - Carson, Stanfill, Nockels, Maher, Reeves

Lord, I come, I confess,
bowing here, I find my rest;
without you I fall apart;
you're the one that guides my heart.

*Lord, I need you, O, I need you,
every hour I need you,
my one defense, my righteousness,
O God, how I need you.*

Where sin runs deep, your grace is more,
where grace is found is where you are,
and where you are, Lord I am free;
holiness is Christ in me.

(repeat chorus)

So teach my song to rise to you
when temptation comes my way,
and when I cannot stand, I'll fall on you;
Jesus, you're my hope and stay.

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Deep Were His Wounds and Red - William Johnson, Vito Aiuto

Deep were his wounds, and red, on cruel Calvary,
as on the cross he bled in bitter agony,
but they whom sin has wounded sore
find healing in the wounds he bore,
but they whom sin has wounded sore
find healing in the wounds he bore.

He suffered shame and scorn and wretched, dire disgrace;
forsaken and forlorn, he hung there in our place,
but all who would from sin be free
look to his cross for victory,
but all who would from sin be free
look to his cross for victory.

His life, his all he gave when he was crucified;
our burdened souls to save, what fearful death he died!
But each of us, though dead in sin,
through Christ eternal life may win,
but each of us, though dead in sin,
through Christ eternal life may win.

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PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Children attending kindergarten and younger are invited to go to their classes at this time. Children in 1st and 2nd grades are invited to Children's Church and will return during the Offering.

THE WORD OF GOD

New Testament reading: Galatians 2:11-21

¹¹But when Cephas came to Antioch, I opposed him to his face, because he stood self-condemned; ¹²for until certain people came from James, he used to eat with the Gentiles. But after they came, he drew back and kept himself separate for fear of the circumcision faction. ¹³And the other Jews joined him in this hypocrisy, so that even Barnabas was led astray by their hypocrisy. ¹⁴But when I saw that they were not acting consistently with the truth of the gospel, I said to Cephas before them all, "If you, though a Jew, live like a Gentile and not like a Jew, how can you compel the Gentiles to live like Jews?" ¹⁵We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; ¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been

crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. ²¹I do not nullify the grace of God; for if justification comes through the law, then Christ died for nothing.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel reading: Luke 18:9-14

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Luke.

All Glory to you, O Lord.

⁹Jesus also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. ¹¹The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. ¹²I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ ¹³But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ ¹⁴I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

“Missteps at Antioch” – Rev. Tuck Bartholomew

OFFERING AND PRESENTATION OF GIFTS

The offertory is an opportunity to participate in the ministry of City Church. Online giving is available at citychurchphilly.com/give. If you're visiting, we are so glad you are worshipping with us, but please do not feel obligated to give.

CREED

All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

PRAYERS

Members of the congregation lead us in prayer.

Merciful Father, keep us mindful of your grace;
as we trust in you, help us also to embrace
all those who share our faith in Christ,
even amidst deep and age-old differences.
For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Lord Jesus Christ, savior of every tribe and people,
grant wisdom to those who lead the nations,
that in tranquility your dominion may increase
until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love;
for this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Spirit of life, draw near and show mercy
to the sick, the dying, and all who suffer;
to the poor, the imprisoned, and the lonely;
to refugees, the homeless, and the displaced.
For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

And for what else should we pray?

Members of the congregation may add their own intercessions at this time, ending with,

For this, O Lord, we pray.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Now gathering our prayers into one, let us pray boldly
as our Savior has taught us:

**All 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 and ever.**

Amen.

COMMUNION

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,

Hosanna in the highest!

The minister concludes the Eucharistic Prayer and speaks the Words of Institution.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:
Christ is risen:
Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

All Therefore, let us keep the feast.

We use wine in Communion. Non-alcoholic white grape juice and gluten-free rice cakes are also available if preferred. Please recycle your Communion cup as you leave worship.

COMMUNION SONG

The Feast - William Gadsby, Karl Digerness

With wondering eyes, Lord we admire
the feast prepared by grace;
come, Lord, and set our souls on fire,
and fill each heart with peace.
These emblems of your precious love,
by faith may we receive!
And with a solemn pleasure prove
we in your name believe.

*We eat this bread, we drink this wine,
come give yourself to us.
We know you're here, that's why we've come,
to feast on you with love.*

No goodness of our own we bring;
we're sinners vile and base.
Christ is our all; of Christ we sing,
and long to see his face.
O may we each, with heart and tongue
sing, "Worthy is the Lamb!"
To him alone the praise belongs,
and we'll adore his name.

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PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All Heavenly Father,
in this meal you assure us
that we have been crucified with Christ:
strengthen us now in faith by these gifts,
that we might no longer live,
but Christ would live within us.
Amen.

BLESSING AND SENDING

O Lord of Light Who Made the Stars

O Lord of Light, who made the stars,
O dawn, by whom we see the way,
O Christ, redeemer of the world,
make haste to listen as we pray.

In lowliness you came on earth,
to rescue us from Satan's snares.
O wondrous Love, you healed our wounds
by taking on our mortal cares.

Lord, now you reign, the King of kings,
adorned in heav'nly majesty.
Your holy name is held in awe
from pole to pole and sea to sea.

Lord, come assert your kingdom here
in all those whom you call your own.
We joyously invite you, Lord,
build in our hearts your kingly throne.

To God the Father and the Son,
for ages of eternal days,
together with the Spirit be
all glory, honor, might and praise.

BENEDICTION

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love
our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**

West Philly

Candy Cason: liturgist
Tuck Bartholomew: celebrant

Bethany Brooks: piano, voice
Christopher McDonald:
 keyboards, voice
Matt Scarano: drums

Fairmount

Katie Davis: liturgist
Chris Currie: celebrant

Bethany Brooks: piano, voice
Christopher McDonald:
 keyboards, voice
Matt Scarano: drums

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