



May 10, 2026—8:30 and 9:45 am  
Sanctuary

*Christ will be willing to save the greatest sinners, if they come to him; for he will not be backward to glorify himself, and to commend the value and virtue of his own blood.*

-Jonathan Edwards (commentary on Psalm 25:11)

Prelude *Prelude on SLANE* arr. Craig Phillips

Community Life Update

PRAISING THE CREATOR

Call to Worship Psalm 25:1-2, 4-5

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul. O my God, in you I trust; Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths. Lead me in your truth and teach me, for you are the God of my salvation; for you I wait all the day long.

Choral Meditation *The Lord Is My Shepherd*

The Lord is my shepherd, therefore can I lack nothing.  
He shall feed me in a green pasture  
and lead me forth beside the waters of comfort.

He shall convert my soul,  
and bring me forth in the paths of righteousness  
for His Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me;  
Thy rod and Thy staff comfort me.  
Thou shalt prepare a table for me against them that trouble me:  
Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

But Thy loving-kindness and mercy  
Shall follow me all the days of my life:  
And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Words: Psalm 23; Music: John Rutter, from "Requiem"; © 1976, Oxford University Press*

\*Prayer of Adoration

\* Please stand if you are able.

\*Hymns of Praise

O Lord my God, when I in awesome wonder consider all the worlds Thy hands have made,  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder, thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.

*Then sings my soul, my Savior, God to Thee; how great Thou art, how great Thou art!  
Then sings my soul, my Savior God, to Thee: how great Thou art, how great Thou art!*

And when I think that God, His Son not sparing, sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in,  
That on the cross, my burden gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

When Christ shall come with shout of acclamation and take me home, what joy shall fill my heart!  
Then I shall bow in humble adoration, and there proclaim, my God, how great Thou art.

*"How Great Thou Art" Words: Stuart Hine, © 1953 Manna Music, Used by Permission; Music: Trad. Swedish.*

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah, pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty; hold me with thy pow'ful hand;  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven, feed me till I want no more,  
Feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain, whence the healing stream doth flow;  
Let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey through;  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer, be thou still my Strength and Shield,  
Be thou still my Strength and Shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;  
Death of death, and hell's Destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side;  
Songs of praises, songs of praises I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

*"Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah" Words: William Williams, Public Domain, 1745; Music: John Hughes, Public Domain, 1907*

Sacrament of Baptism (8:30)

Rio Elizabeth and Dasan Paul

*Children of Rileigh and John Jutrus*

*Baptized by TE Scott Puckett, assisted by TE Neel Skelton*

Rhett Hawthorne Giles

*Son of Robert and Terryn Giles*

*Baptized by TE Neel Skelton, assisted by RE Matt Lawrence*

(9:45)

Emma Cole Shull

*Daughter of Jameson and Eleanor Shull*

*Baptized by TE Neel Skelton, assisted by RE Jonathan Butcher*

Cole Martin McCurry

*Son of Logan and Ella McCurry*

*Baptized by TE Neel Skelton, assisted by RE Jonathan Butcher*

Blessing to Our Covenant Children and Doxology

## LAMENTING THE FALL

Confession of Sin

Psalm 25:6-7, 18, 20

Leader: Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love, for they have been from of old.

**All: Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;  
according to your steadfast love remember me, for the sake of your goodness, O Lord!**

Leader: Consider my affliction and my trouble, and forgive all my sins.

**All: Oh, guard my soul, and deliver me! Let me not be put to shame, for I take refuge in you.**

Moment of Silent Confession

Song of Deliverance

From the love of my own comfort, from the fear of having nothing,  
From a life of worldly passions, deliver me, O God.

From the need to be understood, from the need to be accepted,  
From the fear of being lonely, deliver me, O God. Deliver me, O God.

*And I shall not want, no, I shall not want.*

*When I taste your goodness, I shall not want. When I taste your goodness, I shall not want.*

From the fear of serving others, from the fear of death or trial,  
From the fear of humility, deliver me, O God. Deliver me, O God.

*"I Shall Not Want" Words and Music: Audrey Assad © 2013 Audrey Assad Inc. Song No. 7004369 CCLI No. 789870*

## CHERISHING REDEMPTION

Words of Grace and Peace

Psalm 103:8, 10-11

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.  
He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.  
For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him.

\*Hymn of Worship

*K4-K5 may leave for Kids Ministry.*

*8:30 am—One parent will need to escort the child to volunteers in the Commons Area for Kids Church.*

*9:45 am—One parent will need to escort the child downstairs to join Kids Sunday School.*

Come, thou Fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise,  
Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above;  
Praise the mount! I'm fixed upon it, Mount of God's unchanging love.

Here I raise my Ebenezer; hither by thy help I'm come;  
And I hope, by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God:  
He, to rescue me from danger, interposed his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be;  
Let that grace now, like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee.  
Prone to wander Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love:  
Here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above.

*"Come Thou Fount" Words: Robert Robinson, Public Domain, 1758; Music: Asahel Nettleton, Public Domain, 1825*

## LONGING FOR RESTORATION

Pastoral Prayer

Scripture Reading

Psalm 25

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.      **All:** Thanks be to God!

Sermon

*Friendship Through Fear*

Andy Lewis

\*Song of Response

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, he, my Savior, makes me whole.

*Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah, what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, he is with me to the end.*

Jesus! what a strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in him;  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, he, my strength, my vict'ry wins.

Jesus! I do now receive him, more than all in him I find,  
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am his, and he is mine.

"Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners" Words: J. Wilbur Chapman, Public Domain, 1910; Music: Rowland Hugh Pritchard, Public Domain, 1855

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

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**Assisting in Worship Today:**

Preacher: Andy Lewis, Lead Teaching Pastor

Liturgist: Adam Betterton, Church Planting Pastor

### May Elective— Finding Peace: A Christian Perspective on Anxiety

Anxiety can be overwhelming, but it's often a signal—not the core problem. We'll explore what anxiety really is, how it shows up in everyday life as well as clinical struggles like panic, OCD, trauma, and more—and how our overloaded lives can make it worse. We'll also talk about the power of emotional honesty, the role of community, and how the gospel offers us real peace, not just coping. Led by Jonathan Kittel, this class will meet in the Learning Commons May 10, 17, and 24 at 9:45am.

### May 31—Worship on the Field—One service at 9:45 am

We love when our whole congregation can worship together! This special service will include a commissioning service at the end to commemorate two of our long-time pastors, Curtis DuBose and Neel Skelton who are moving on to their next ministry callings. Afterwards, bring your lunch and picnic with us for a relaxed time of community with friends new and old! Kids, youth and adult Sunday School will not meet this day. Nursery and Kids Church (K4/K5) will be available. Bring your chair, bring a friend, and come!

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