

Weekly

Community Groups

Winter term Community Groups are here! All groups will be going through *Titus For You* by Tim Chester. If you would like to join a group, sign up at the link below. citizenschurch.net/groups

Children's Sunday School

Sunday mornings, 9:00 AM
We will be meeting in room 114. All kids aged 12 and under are welcome to attend!

Tithes & Offerings

We joyfully worship God through giving. Members can give online at citizenschurch.net/give or by dropping their offering in the black box in the back. If you're a guest, please know we do not expect you to give.

Coming Up

Men's Breakfast

Saturday, April 20th @ 7:00 AM
Every 3rd Saturday of the month the men meet for breakfast and fellowship at Bob Evans (23 Huber Village Blvd, Westerville, OH 43081). We would love for you to be there if you're able to make it.

Members' Meeting

Sunday, April 28th @ 5:00 PM
If you're a member of Citizens Church, please plan to attend our members' meetings! Dinner will be provided. Location TBD.

You can find all of our upcoming events at citizenschurch.net/calendar



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CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 95:1-2

Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

ADORATION

Prayer of Praise

BUILD MY LIFE

CONFESSION OF SIN

Prayer of Confession

FATHER YOU ARE ALL WE NEED
ANCIENT OF DAYS

ASSURANCE OF GRACE

Micah 7:18-19

Who is a God like you, pardoning iniquity and passing over transgression for the remnant of his inheritance? He does not retain his anger forever, because he delights in steadfast love. He will again have compassion on us; he will tread our iniquities underfoot.
You will cast all our sins into the depths of the sea.

THANKSGIVING

Prayer of Thanksgiving

STATEMENT OF FAITH

Article 17: Of the Righteous and the Wicked

SUPPLICATION

Pastoral Prayer

PREACHING OF GOD'S WORD

The Letter of 1 Peter
Jonathan Fagan

1 Peter 2:18-25 (p.1015)
"To This You Were Called"

COMMUNION

The Lord's Supper

PRAISE & BENEDICTION

LEAD ME TO CALVARY
DOXOLOGY

FELLOWSHIP

We'd love for you to join us for snacks and fellowship after the service!

Serving at CITIZENS CHURCH

One of the ways we glorify God is by serving one another and our community with a glad and joyful heart. Not from a place of guilt or obligation, but out of a love for Christ. If you are interested, you can talk to a pastor, or visit citizenschurch.net/serve

Current Serving Needs:

Setup & tear-down, Hospitality, Nursery, Music, Audio Tech

The Bible Teaches

OF THE RIGHTEOUS AND THE WICKED

We believe there is a radical and essential difference between the righteous and the wicked. Only those who are justified by faith in the name of the Lord Jesus and sanctified by the Spirit of our God are truly righteous in his judgment. In contrast, all those who continue in impenitence and unbelief are wicked in his sight and under the curse. This distinction among people holds both at death and afterward.

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Build My Life

VERSE 1

Worthy of ev'ry song we could ever sing
Worthy of all the praise
we could ever bring
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You

VERSE 2

Jesus the name above ev'ry other name
Jesus the only one who could ever save
Worthy of ev'ry breath
we could ever breathe
We live for You
We live for You

CHORUS

Holy there is no one like You
There is none beside You
Open up my eyes in wonder
and show me who You are
And fill me with Your heart
And lead me in Your love
to those around me

BRIDGE

I will build my life upon Your love
It is a firm foundation
I will put my trust in You alone
And I will not be shaken

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Reflection Questions

- Why should we submit also to the unjust? What is the limit of our submission?
- Does our suffering come more from our devotion to Jesus or our own sinful behavior?
- What is our hope in suffering? Why have we been called to it?
- What is the importance of Jesus committing no sin?
- Jesus trusted himself to the one who judges justly. He bore our sins so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. What areas of our life do we need to put to death? What areas do we need to grow in righteousness? Where can we grow in trusting our souls to Jesus?

Ideas for Family Worship

Read 1 Peter 2:18-25 and identify one or two things that it tells us about God and ourselves. Consider reading this week's catechism question as well (see below).

Sing *Father You Are All We Need* (page 3) together as a family.

Pray specifically thanking God for what he has revealed in his word and asking for the Holy Spirit to help your family live faithfully in light of it.

Walking Through the Catechism

Question 15:

Since no one can keep the law, what is its purpose?

Answer:

That we may know the holy nature and will of God, and the sinful nature and disobedience of our hearts; and thus our need of a Savior. The law also teaches and exhorts us to live a life worthy of our Savior.

Pray for Our Missions Partners

- Lazarus Life Ministries (*gospel-centered drug rehabilitation ministry in Ohio*)
- Out of Darkness (*anti-human trafficking ministry in Westerville*)
- Alex & Lauryn Follett (*Bible translation among unreached people in West Africa*)
- Proclamation Church (*church plant in Mount Vernon, OH*)
- Salt & Light Church (*church plant in downtown Columbus, OH*)
- "George & Judy" (*church plant among unreached people in the Middle East*)
- Jeremy & Suheily Garcia (*missionaries in Barcelona, Spain*)

Ongoing Discipleship

- Join a Community Group (citizenschurch.net/groups).
- Regularly meet with church members for discipleship and prayer.
- Read a book with another Christian and meet to discuss it.
- Faithfully attend Sunday gatherings (Heb. 10:24-25).
- Cheerfully & sacrificially give of your firstfruits (Prov. 3:9; 2 Cor. 9:6-7).
- Joyfully serve your church family.

Sermon Notes

I. A Glimpse of the Cross

A. Consider His _____

B. Consider His _____

C. Consider His _____

D. Consider His _____

II. The Way of the Cross

A. Walk in _____

B. Walk in _____

C. Walk in _____

D. Walk in _____

New Here?

If you're a guest at Citizens,
we would love if you filled out a Guest Form at
citizenschurch.net/guest

When we receive it, we'll make a \$5 donation in your honor to
Out of Darkness, a local ministry fighting against human trafficking.

Father You Are All We Need

VERSE 1

Our Father who in heaven reigns
How great and mighty is your name
Your kingdom come, Your will be done
Now here on earth as is above

VERSE 2

Oh give to us our daily bread
And keep our hungry spirits fed
May all our satisfaction be
In you whose grace has set us free

CHORUS

Give us hope, give us faith,
help us trust in your guidance
From the depths of Your grace,
you have richly provided
Thank you, thank you,
Father you are all we need
Father you are all we need

VERSE 3

Forgive us of our trespasses
As we forgive when sinned against
Though evil seeks to hide your face
We fix our eyes on you by faith

BRIDGE

We lift you high above all names,
Your kingdom will forever reign
To you the glory
and the power forevermore

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Membership & Baptism

AT CITIZENS CHURCH

Publicly proclaiming one's faith through church membership and baptism is what Christians have done throughout the centuries. If you're ready to be baptized and/or become a member, a pastor would love to talk with you about what that looks like.
Email info@citizenschurch.net for more information.

Ancient Of Days

VERSE 1

Though the nations rage
Kingdoms rise and fall
There is still one King
Reigning over all
So I will not fear
For this truth remains
That my God is the Ancient of Days

CHORUS

None above Him none before Him
All of time in His hands
For His throne
it shall remain and ever stand
All the power all the glory
I will trust in His name
For my God is the Ancient of days

VERSE 2

Though the dread of night
Overwhelms my soul
He is here with me
I am not alone
O His love is sure
And He knows my name
For my God is the Ancient of Days

VERSE 3

Though I may not see
What the future brings
I will watch and wait
For the Saviour king
Then my joy complete
Standing face to face
In the presence of the Ancient of Days

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Lead Me To Calvary

VERSE 1

King of my life I crown Thee now
Thine shall the glory be
Lest I forget Thy thorn-crowned brow
Lead me to Calvary

CHORUS

Lest I forget Gethsemane
Lest I forget Thine agony
Lest I forget Thy love for me
Lead me to Calvary

VERSE 2

Show me the tomb where Thou was laid
Tenderly mourned and wept
Angels in robes of light arrayed
Guarded Thee whilst Thou slept

VERSE 3

Let me like Mary thro' the gloom
Come with a gift to Thee
Show to me now the empty tomb
Lead me to Calvary

VERSE 4

May I be willing Lord to bear
Daily my cross for Thee
Even Thy Cup of grief to share
Thou hast borne all for me

VERSE 5

Fill me O Lord, with thy desire
For all I know not Thee
Then touch my lips with holy fire
To speak of Calvary

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Becoming a Christian

Christians are those who repent of their sins and trust in Jesus Christ alone for salvation. If you're interested in becoming a Christian or have any questions about Christianity, a pastor or church member would love to talk with you about what that looks like. Learn more at citizenschurch.net/gospel

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen