Announcements

Tonight: Prayer & Praise: We gather at 5:00pm for our regular prayer

service. Tonight's message is on Isaiah 53:10.

December 24: Christmas Eve Service is at 5:00pm. Childcare will be in the

form of a child-friendly service and service length.

December 25: Wednesday Night Bible Study: There will be no Wednesday

Night Bible Study this week. Merry Christmas!

December 29: Core Seminars: Choose 1 of 6 classes at 9:30am: Explaining

Christianity; Old Testament 1; Living as a Church; Suffering;

Missions; and Membership Matters.

Morning Service is at 10:30am; our sermon is on Matthew 5:43-

48.

General Info: "How do I get involved at CHBC?" Begin with becoming a

member. To start the process, attend the Membership Matters

classes at 9:30am on Sundays (Room 3). Please e-mail capbap.org with any questions.

For Children: Nursing Mom's room is on the 2nd floor. *Ages Pre- K* & *below* childcare is on the 2nd & 3rd floors; *Grades K-3* "Praise

Factory" is on the 4th floor.

For Families: Room 4 is available downstairs in case the *nursery is closed* or you have a *crying/fussy baby*. Room 5 is available for families

with sick children. Service audio is provided.

Youth Ministry: Meetings take place most Fridays from 7:00-9:15pm in the church basement. All 7th-12th graders welcome.

More info: email mark.feather@capbap.org

Giving: You can give online at www.capbap.org/give

Mark Dever – Senior Pastor

Jamie Dunlop, Riley Barnes, Nick Gardner – Associate Pastors

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And raised for our justification.

Welcome

Scriptural Call to Worship

Psalm 27:13-14

The Nicene Creed (325 A.D.)

"O Come, All Ye Faithful" Hymn "Lord, Keep Me Day By Day" Hymn "Come, Behold the Wondrous Mystery" Hymn

We gather this morning to praise our resurrected God.

Prayer of Praise

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 53:7-12

Prayer of Confession Scriptural Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 57:15

Children in kindergarten through 3rd grade participating in Praise Factory should exit during this hymn:

Hymn "Iov to the World!"

Pastoral Prayer & Prayer of Petition

Hymn

"Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"

Prayer of Thanks Offertory

Message

Romans 4:25b (Pew Bible p. 942) Status with God

Resurrection Status

Seventeen studies in Romans 4

Hymn Celebration of Baptism "We Three Kings of Orient Are"

Hvmn

"There Is A Fountain"

Benediction

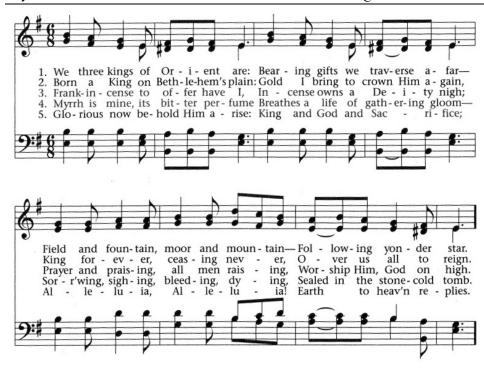
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Preacher: Mark Dever Service Leader: Christian Lawrence



Words: William Cowper (1771); Music: Lowell Mason (1830), Public Domain

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We believe in one God, the Father, Ruler of All,

Maker of all things visible and invisible;

And we believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God,

Begotten of the Father as only begotten,

That is, from the essence of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,

Begotten, not created, of the same essence as the Father,

Through whom all things came into being, both in heaven and in earth;

Who for us and for our salvation came down,

And was incarnate, being made a man.

He suffered and the third day he rose.

And he ascended into the heavens.

And he will come to judge the living and the dead.

And we believe in the Holy Spirit. Amen.

History of the Nicene Creed

What do you say when someone asks, "Who is Jesus Christ?" Maybe you answer, "Jesus is the Word who became flesh and died for sins once for all before God raised him from the dead on the third day" (John 1, 1 Peter 3, Acts 10). If this is your response, you join Christians who, throughout the centuries, have summarized their faith to proclaim the Gospel and to ensure that teaching in the church is thoroughly biblical. These summaries are often called "creeds."

Knowing the historical context of the Nicene Creed of 325 A.D. can help us appreciate the truths it declares. In the early fourth century, a preacher named Arius began to teach false doctrine such as: 1) God the Father alone is God; 2) Jesus Christ is a created being; and 3) there was a time when Christ did not exist. About 250 elders gathered in the town of Nicaea (in modern-day Turkey) to address Arius' false teaching. They wrote a brief statement, using biblical wording, to clarify that Christians believe Jesus Christ is fully God, and that those who believe and teach anything less lack biblical faith. We have omitted one paragraph that condemns a particular false teaching of the time.

At Capitol Hill Baptist Church, we believe Scripture teaches that at the center of our faith is Christ, Himself. Therefore, we rejoice in joining with saints through the centuries who have confessed the same, biblical truth.







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heav'n and na - ture

Hymn





