

Acts 1:1–14

1 In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, ² until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. ³ He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

⁴ And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; ⁵ for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” ⁹ And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, ¹¹ and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

¹² Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey away. ¹³ And when they had entered, they went up to the upper room, where they were staying, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer, together with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and his brothers.

Welcome! To all who are weary and need rest, to all who mourn and seek comfort, to all who are lonely and need friendship, to all who sin and need a Savior, Redeemer Church Murfreesboro opens wide its doors to you.

In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, you are welcome!

We Worship the Lord Together

Praise the LORD in Scripture

Luke 24

Leader Our Lord Jesus led His disciples to Bethany, and lifting His hands, He blessed them.

Congregation As He blessed them, He was taken from their sight and carried into heaven.

Leader And they worshiped Him and returned with great joy.

Congregation They were continually in the temple lifting up their voices praising God.

Praise the LORD in Song

All Creatures of Our God and King

All creatures of our God and King
Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him, alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam
Thou silver moon with softer gleam
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

Thou rushing wind that art so strong
Ye clouds that sail in heav'n along
O praise Him, alleluia
Thou rising moon in praise rejoice
Ye lights of evening find a voice
O praise Him, O praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia

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Pastoral Prayer

Praise the LORD for our Children

Children's Lesson

Praise the LORD in Giving

Offering

We Are Built Up Together

Scripture Reading & Sermon

Acts 1:1–14

Praise the LORD in Song

Is He Worthy?

Do you feel the world is broken? (We do)
Do you feel the shadows deepen? (We do)
But do you know that all the dark
Won't stop the light from getting through (We do)
Do you wish that you could see it all made new?
We do

Is all creation groaning? (It is)
Is a new creation coming? (It is)
Is the glory of the Lord
To be the light within our midst? (It is)
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this? (It is)

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's Root
And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory
Is He worthy of this?
He is

Does the Father truly love us? (He does)
Does the Spirit move among us? (He does)
And does Jesus our Messiah
Hold forever those He loves? (He does)
Does our God intend to dwell again with us?
He does

Is anyone worthy? Is anyone whole?
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll?
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave
He is David's Root
And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave
From ev'ry people and tribe every nation and tongue
He has made us a kingdom and priests
To God to reign with the Son

Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Of all blessing and honor and glory
Is He worthy? Is He worthy?
Is He worthy of this? He is

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Respond through Declaring our Faith

The Westminster Larger Catechism

Q. 54. How is Christ exalted in His sitting at the right hand of God?

A. Christ is exalted in His sitting at the right hand of God, in that as God-man He is advanced to the highest favor with God the Father, with all fullness of joy, glory, and power over all things in heaven and earth; and does gather and defend His Church, and subdue their enemies; providing His ministers and people with gifts and graces, and makes intercession for them.

Phil. 2:9; Acts 2:28; Ps. 16:11; John 17:5; Eph. 1:22; 1 Pet. 3:22; Eph. 4:10-12; Ps. 110:1; Rom. 8:34.

Confession of Sin & Assurance of Pardon

Confession of Sin

Heavenly Father, You have exalted Jesus Christ to Your right hand, yet we confess that our hearts remain fixed on earthly things. We fail to trust our reigning King, ignore His rule in our lives, and forget His constant care and intercession for us. Forgive us! Lift our hearts to where Christ is, and teach us to live in faithful obedience to You, advancing Your mission to bring the gospel to all nations. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

"Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us."
All who are in Christ are forgiven and are fully loved by God!

Receive the LORD's Supper

Nothing But the Blood

What can wash away my sin?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
What can make me whole again?
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

CHORUS

O, precious is the flow
That makes me white as snow
No other fount I know
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

For my pardon this I see
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
For my cleansing this my plea
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

Nothing can for sin atone
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
Naught of good that I have done
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

This is all my hope and peace
Nothing but the blood of Jesus
This is all my righteousness
Nothing but the blood of Jesus

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Receive the Benediction

Announcements:

1. Immediately following the worship service, the elders are calling a meeting to share the 2026–2027 vision and budget. Afterward, we will enjoy a time of fellowship together at Barfield park Pavilion 5.
2. 2. Sunday school will start back on Sunday April 19. Make plans to connect and grow with us!

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Monthly Financial Update

*Q1 2026 Only
 January 1, 2026–March 31, 2026*

Anticipated Giving TYD	\$48,832.77
Actual Giving YTD	\$50,232.43
Difference YTD	\$1,399.66

Operations—2025 Annual Budget \$195,327

Current Operations Reserve* \$98,937

*Reserve = funds over and above 2.5 months of budgeted operating expenses

Defined Savings

Building Fund \$81,190

Other Defined Savings \$12,108



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