

The Lord's Service

March 19, 2023

**Standing together is our ordinary practice,
but you are welcome to remain seated.*

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Come, my soul, thou must be waking,
Now is breaking o'er the earth another day:
Come to him who made this splendor;
See thou render all thy feeble pow'rs can pay.

God Calls Us

Call to Worship

Only God Himself can call
us into worship. He sets
the terms for worship
because, through His Son,
He makes worship possible.

*Call to Worship

Psalm 40.1-3a

LEADER: I waited patiently for the Lord;

PEOPLE: He inclined to me and heard my cry.

LEADER: He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out
of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock,
making my steps secure.

**PEOPLE: He put a new song in my mouth, a song of
praise to our God.**

*Hymn of Adoration

Creation Sings

*Text and Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, and Stuart Townend, 2008
see Page 7*

Invocation

This prayer addresses God
in three persons, asking
Him to be present with
us in worship to help
us worship Him according
to His will.

*Invocation

by Elder Jason Coffey

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

James 2.8-10

LEADER: If you really fulfill the royal law according to the Scripture, “You shall love your neighbor as yourself,” you are doing well. But if you show partiality, you are committing sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors.

PEOPLE: **For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it.**

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *Christian Order and Custom*, Bullinger, Zürich (1535)

**We, poor sinners, confess ourselves before you, our Lord God and Maker that, sadly, we have sinned much with our thoughts, words, and deeds, as you, eternal God, know very well. We regret them and beg your grace.
Amen.**

Song of Contrition *Lord, Thou Has Searched Me (Psalm 139)*

Text: from The Psalter, 1912

Music: American folk tune O WALY, WALY

see Page 8

Assurance of Pardon

Colossians 2.13-14

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News: “... you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

Call to Confession

As we see God in His invitation and our praise, we cannot help but see how we have fallen short. God's Holy Scripture has the authority to reveal us to ourselves and transition our hearts to confession.

Corporate Confession of Sin

We sin in thought, word, and deed every week. This prayer begins with silent confession, followed by corporate confession as people equally in need of God's grace.

Assurance of Pardon

Holy Scripture assures Christians, sinners saved by grace, that they are united to Jesus in His death and resurrection.

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Listen to this reading (lesson) to prepare for the sermon.

Presentation of Tithes & Offerings

We set aside a tithe and additional offering of our resources for the purposes of God, for His glory. Both are a display of our joyful dependence upon God rather than ourselves.

Doxology

A doxology is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory. The *Gloria Patri* is another example of a doxology.

Prayer of the Church

We share in our health and sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our prayers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands elders to pray with and for God's people, not just publicly, but privately.

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Follow along with this text (lesson) that directs the sermon.

Scripture Lesson

Daniel 1 (p. 737)
read by Elder Ken Henry

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring
Johann Sebastian Bach, 1723
Sanctuary Choir and Orchestra

Jesu, joy of man's desiring,
He my heart's supreme delight;
Jesus lightens all my troubles
through His love's redeeming might.

He my mind's most precious pleasure,
He my spirit's choicest treasure,
fast and firm within my heart;
He and I will never part.

*Doxology

OLD HUNDRETH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavn'ly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

by Ryan Hamilton

*Hymn of Preparation

Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Text: Edwin Hatch, 1878
Music: TRENTHAM, Robert Jackson, 1888
Hymnal No. 334

Scripture Lesson

2 Peter 1.3-8 (p. 1018)

³ His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to his own glory and excellence, ⁴ by which he has granted to us his precious and very great

promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire. ⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, ⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, ⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love. ⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon

by Pastor Eric Mullinax

DARE TO BE A DANIEL

*Hymn of Response

Lead On, O King Eternal

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1888
Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry Smart, 1836

Hymnal No. 580

*Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed, *first half*
(381)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: **We believe in one God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.**

**And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-
begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made, being of one substance
with the Father;
by Whom all things were made;
who for us and for our salvation
came down from heaven,**

Sermon

A preacher is commanded to faithfully steward God's Word by submitting to it, studying it, and expositing it (holding it forth), bearing witness to Jesus, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Confession of Faith

By confessing our faith together using statements believed by Christians over the ages, we join in the sweep of Christian history even as we await the return of Jesus.

and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
virgin Mary,
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius
Pilate;
He suffered and was buried;
and the third day He rose again according to
the Scriptures,
and ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father;
and He shall come again, with glory,
to judge both the living and the dead;
whose kingdom shall have no end.
Amen.

*Gloria Patri

CORONAE

Glory be to God the Father!
Glory be to God the Son!
Glory be to God the Spirit!
God Almighty, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

God Commissions Us

*Benediction

Jude 24-25
by Pastor Eric Mullinax

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling
and to present you blameless before the presence of his
glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through
Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and
authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.

Postlude

Benediction

Just as God calls us to
worship at the beginning of
the service, He graciously
sends us into our week
with a blessing (good
word) founded on the
redeeming work of Jesus.

SERMON NOTES

Title: Dare to be a Daniel

Text: 2 Peter 1.3-8; Daniel 1; Psalm 137

Psalm 137

¹ *By the waters of Babylon, there we sat down and wept,
when we remembered Zion.*

² *On the willows there we hung up our lyres.*

³ *For there our captors required of us songs,
and our tormentors, mirth, saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion!"*

⁴ *How shall we sing the Lord's song in a foreign land?*

God's answer ... look to Daniel

Significance of Daniel

Darkness vs Light (Babylon vs Jerusalem)

1. God is in charge

2. Satan is at work

3. God will triumph

Mission Statement of CPC

Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors by making Christ known in all of life.

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Creation Sings



1. Cre - a - tionsings the Fa ther's song; He calls the sun to wake the dawn
2. Cre - a - tion gazed up on His face; the age - less One in time's em brace
3. Cre - a - tion longs for His re - turn, when Christ shall reign up - on the earth;



and run the course of day till e - v'ning falls in crimson rays.
un - veiled the Fa - ther's plan of rec - on - cil - ing God and man.
the bit - ter wars that rage are birth pains of a com - ing age.



His fin - ger - prints in flakes of snow, His breath up - on this spin - ning globe,
A sec - ond Ad - am walked the earth, whose blameless life would break the curse
When He re - news the land and sky, all heav'n will sing and earth re - ply



He charts the ea - gle's flight; com - mands the new born ba - by's cry.
Whose death would set us free to live with Him e - ter - nal - ly.
with one res - plend - ent theme: The glo - ries of Our God and King!

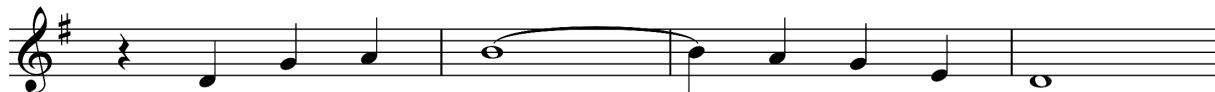


Hal - le - lu - jah! Let all cre a tion stand and sing, "Hal - le - lu - jah!"



Fill the earth with songs of worship, tell the wonders of cre - a - tion's King.

Lord, Thou Has Searched Me (Psalm 139)



1. Lord thou hast searched _____ me and dost know
2. My words from thee _____ I can - not hide;
3. Where can I go _____ a - part from thee,
4. If I the wings _____ of morn - ing take,



Where' - er I rest, _____ where' - er I go;
I feel thy pow'r _____ on ev' - ry side;
Or whith - er from _____ thy pre - sence flee?
And far a - way _____ my dwell - ing make,



Thou know - est all _____ that I have planned
O won - drous know - - ledge, aw - ful might,
Ab - ove the stars? _____ Thy dwell - ing fair.
The hand that lead - - eth me is thine,



And all my ways _____ are in thy hand.
Un - fath - omed depth, _____ un - meas - ured height!
In death's a - bode? _____ Lo, thou art there.
And my sup - port _____ thy pow'r di - vine.

WELCOME

We are glad you joined us this morning! If this is your first visit with us, please fill out a Connection Card located in each pew.

Join us in the lobby for coffee and fellowship before Sunday school. If you are visiting or are newer to Covenant, consider visiting the Essentials class designed for you that meets in the Sanctuary.

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Bennett preaches from Matthew 20.17-28.

Finding your way:

Please scan the QR code to view a map of our facilities. There are also printed maps on the bulletin board just off the Information Center and outside the Nursery.



For those with children:

Your children are welcome and wanted in worship! Little ones sometimes have a hard time sitting quietly through a service. Please take advantage of these helpful tools:

- **Special Bulletin** - designed for our Little Theologians (available in Narthex)
- **Family Worship Room** - where children can be a little louder and more active (windowed room in Sanctuary.)
- **Family Restroom and Nursing Mother's Room** (in Family Worship Room)
- **Nursery** - available to children born after September 1, 2019 (deacons can direct you)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, March 19

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Deacons' Mtg - E-104 - 12:30 pm

Tuesday, March 21

Aging Faithfully Women's Study - E-106 - 10 am

Wednesday, March 22

Midweek Meal - O-100 - 5:30 pm
Children, Youth, & Adult Midweek Classes -
see website for class list

Friday, March 24

Men's Proverb Study - O-105 - 8:30 am

Saturday, March 25

Men's Ministry Workday - O-100 - 8:30 am

Sunday, March 26

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Youth & Family Hike - Southern Adventist
University - 3 pm

MORE INFORMATION

Our church website and calendar are updated daily. Visit cpcchatt.org for resources, activities, and information about the life of our church.

Contact the church office to request access to our online directory.

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Want to become a member of our Covenant Presbyterian family? Please contact the office at office@cpcchatt.org to make an appointment.

COVENANT LIFE

MEN'S MINISTRY WORKDAY

Following a light breakfast, the Men's Ministry is sponsoring a church spruce-up day this Saturday from 8:30 am -12 pm. We will be tackling landscaping needs. Bring your work gloves and help us get ready for Easter.

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

The Children's Ministry is collecting donations of individually wrapped Easter candy to give to our Little Theologians during our upcoming Resurrection Celebration on Saturday, April 1. Please leave your sweet treats for them in the church office by Tuesday, March 28.

EASTER FLOWERS

In past Easter worship services, we have used lilies graciously purchased in honor of friends and family to beautify our sanctuary.

This year, we would like to switch from potted lily plants to fresh flower arrangements on the chancel. If you would like to help sponsor these flowers "*In Honor Of*" or "*In Memory Of*" a friend or loved one, you can scan the QR Code and donate online or contact the church office for assistance. Donations will be received through Wednesday, April 5.



PASTORAL CARE & PRAYER

If you have an urgent prayer request or pastoral care need, please call or text our Pastoral Care Line at 423-521-2142.

HOLY WEEK

Beginning with Palm Sunday, April 2, join us as we gather for worship, reflection, and celebration of our Savior's work of redemption for us. We will gather together on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and on Easter Sunday.

RENT - A - YOUTH

Church members have the opportunity to "hire" the youth to tackle various projects that you always need a few extra hands to complete quickly.. The funds help our students raise money for their summer camps and fall retreat.

Complete an online form about the job you want done and to hire a youth. Scan the QR Code to access it. If you have any questions, please contact Heather Morrison at HMorrison@cpccchatt.org.



FORGE LEADERS NEEDED

Forge Camp (July 26-28) is being launched this year as a camp for grades 3-8 boys where they can learn valuable skills through a variety of hands-on classes and the study of God's Word. If you are interested in being a leader for Forge, please email Ryan Hamilton for more information (RHamilton@cpccchatt.org).

MIDWEEK

MIDWEEK MEAL INGREDIENTS

If you have food allergies/dietary restrictions and want to know Midweek meal ingredients beforehand, please email our Kitchen Services Coordinator, Nicky Lewin, at NLewin@cpcchatt.org.

This email will include the ingredients used in preparing the meal and if any adaptations are available (gluten free, dairy free, etc.).

APRIL 5 MIDWEEK

No meal is scheduled for the Wednesday evening of Holy Week (April 5). Be watching for a Holy Week schedule as we approach Easter.

March Midweek Menu



March 22: Spaghetti, Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread, Cheesecake

March 29: Smothered Beef Burritos, Rice, Mexican Salad Bar, Sopapillas

- Adult: \$6 / Child (5-11): \$4
- Family Max: \$20
- Cash or Check (Put in Cash Box)
- Pay Online (cpcchatt.org/give or scan QR code)



The cost per meal is suggested only. If you don't have the full amount, don't worry. Pay what you can. Visitors enjoy a free meal.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

RESURRECTION

Celebration

APRIL 1 - 9-11 AM

PANCAKE BREAKFAST & ACTIVITIES

\$10 per family (*pay at the door*)

Children of all ages are invited to our Resurrection Celebration. Join us at 9 am for a Pancake Breakfast and participate in several family activities:

- Fun Family Photo booth
- Kahoot Easter Trivia game (prizes will be awarded!)
- Join the Resurrection Egg presentation at 10 am in the Sanctuary
- Participate in an egg hunt for ages 3-11 (children will be divided into age-specific groups for the hunt)

Be sure to invite your neighbors, family, and friends.

For more information, email Sara Southard, our Children's Ministry Director.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Consider volunteering for nursery duty. For your convenience, you may sign-up on the Children's Ministry page of the website, or you may contact Bekah Gernhard at nursery@cpccchatt.org and let her know when you are available to serve.

YOUTH HIKE

We hope you can join us for our youth hike on Sunday, March 26. Families are welcome to attend! We will meet at Southern Adventist University's Sabbath Trail at 3 pm to hike and will finish up around 6:30 pm.

MS YOUTH JUMP NIGHT

On Friday, March 31, Middle School students (along with 5th grade students) are invited to join us at Urban Air from 7-9 pm. The cost is \$22.00. Sign-up is required and ends March 29. Scan the QR Code to register.



Email Heather Morrison for more information (HMorrison@cpccchatt.org).

NURSERY - TODAY	NURSERY - MARCH 26
Front Desk: Lauren Warren	Front Desk: Becky Pearce
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am	
Lisa Wright (Infant Room) Sophie Wright (Infant Room) Charlie Wright (Toddler Room) Ellie Wright (Toddler Room) Matt Wright (Toddler Room)	Mindy Haywood (Infant Room) Stephen Haywood (Infant Room) Iris Haywood (Toddler Room) Shirley Jones (Toddler Room)
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm	
Hans Anderson (Infant Room) Rachel Anderson (Infant Room)	Vangie Wykoff (Infant Room) <i>Volunteer Needed</i> (Infant Room)

OUTREACH

CPC MISSIONARY IN FRANCE



**Jean Baptiste
Guéraçaque**

Jean serves with Harvestime Ministries in France and Africa. In France, he worked to establish a church in La Rochelle where he now pastors. In Africa, he evangelizes and conducts training seminars for church leaders, primarily in French speaking nations.

Here is an excerpt from his recent update: *Two weeks ago, I saw two young men in their thirties screaming at each other at the end of the street at 10 AM. I went into my house and a minute later, one of the two knocked at my door. He knew I have been pastor here for a long time. He asked if I could do something for his cousin François... They had spent the night in La Rochelle discotheques and were drunk. They screamed at each other for about ten minutes. Most of the neighbors were looking. I spoke calmly to them and laid hands on their shoulders praying for them. Things got quiet and later, François came back to see me and asked for a Bible. Yesterday, we spent time together and I asked François if he was ready to commit to becoming a Christian and at the same time commit to giving up the things he is addicted to. I led him in a prayer of faith and repentance and he said he wants to come to Bible studies and church on Sundays.”*

Please pray for him and his ministry in these particular ways:

- For François to grow in Christ and be able to give up his addictions
- For fruitful evangelism and protection from spiritual warfare as the Word of God is proclaimed
- For health and safety during travels
- For continued provision and support

CPC MISSIONARY IN WALES



Emma Kate

Due to the sensitive areas in which these missionaries serve, their picture and last names are withheld.

Emma Kate serves with Pioneers in Wales. She has recently returned to Wales after being stateside for an extended time due to the visa renewal process. She is eagerly reconnecting with teammates in Wales and is looking for a new apartment. She would love to find a place which could also be used for hosting outreach and fellowship gatherings.

Please pray for her and her ministry in these particular ways:

- For her Welsh church pastor and his family; they are moving to Africa soon. The small EPC congregation needs an interim or long-term pastor. The current pastor is also the moderator for the presbytery.
- For a new team leader in this ministry with Pioneers in Wales
- For her as she restarts her ministry in this new season and for trust in God's timing