# The Lord's Service June 18, 2023

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

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

## 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 47.1-7

LEADER: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy!

PEOPLE: For the Lord, the Most High, is to be feared, a great king over all the earth.

LEADER: He subdued peoples under us, and nations under our feet. He chose our heritage for us, the pride of Jacob whom he loves.

PEOPLE: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

LEADER: Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

PEOPLE: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm!

\*Hymn of Adoration

New Songs of Celebration Render
Text: Erik R. Routley (1972)
Music: RENDEZ A DIEU, Strasbourg Psalter (1545)
Hymnal No. 14

\*Invocation

by Elder Jim Hildebrand

#### Invocation

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

# God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Isaiah 53.6

LEADER: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have

turned - every one - to his own way;

PEOPLE: And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity

of us all.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from Book of Common Prayer, London (1552)

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done, and there is no health in us. But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are repentant, according to your promises declared to mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

### Assurance of Pardon

Ephesians 2.8

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:

"For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no

one may boast."

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.

### \*Hymn of Assurance

I Need Thee Every Hour

Text: Annie S. Hawks (1872); refrain by Robert Lowry (1872) Music: James Ward see Page 7

# God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Mark 12.18-27(p. 848) read by Elder Ernie Brown

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

How Lovely Is Thy Dwelling Place

Text: from Psalm 84

Music: Johannes Brahms (1868)

Chancel Choir

How lovely is Thy dwelling-place, O Lord of Hosts! For my soul, it longeth, yea fainteth for the courts of the Lord; my soul and body crieth out, yea, for the living God. O blest are they that dwell within Thy house; they praise Thy name evermore!

\*Doxology

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host, praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost; alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Jake Bennett

Scripture Lesson

Exodus 3.1-14 (p. 46)

<sup>1</sup> Now Moses was keeping the flock of his father-in-law, Jethro, the priest of Midian, and he led his flock to the west side of the wilderness and came to Horeb, the mountain of God. <sup>2</sup> And the angel of the Lord appeared to

#### 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. him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush. He looked, and behold, the bush was burning, yet it was not consumed. <sup>3</sup> And Moses said, "I will turn aside to see this great sight, why the bush is not burned." <sup>4</sup> When the Lord saw that he turned aside to see, God called to him out of the bush, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." <sup>5</sup> Then he said, "Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground." <sup>6</sup> And he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob." And Moses hid his face, for he was afraid to look at God.

<sup>7</sup>Then the Lord said, "I have surely seen the affliction of my people who are in Egypt and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters. I know their sufferings, <sup>8</sup> and I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey, to the place of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites. <sup>9</sup> And now, behold, the cry of the people of Israel has come to me, and I have also seen the oppression with which the Egyptians oppress them. <sup>10</sup> Come, I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring my people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." 11 But Moses said to God, "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?" <sup>12</sup> He said, "But I will be with you, and this shall be the sign for you, that I have sent you: when you have brought the people out of Egypt, you shall serve God on this mountain."

<sup>13</sup> Then Moses said to God, "If I come to the people of Israel and say to them, 'The God of your fathers has sent me to you,' and they ask me, 'What is his name?' what shall I say to them?" <sup>14</sup> God said to Moses, "I am who I am." And he said, "Say this to the people of Israel: 'I am has sent me to you.'"

#### 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.

#### Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

#### THE GOD WITH A NAME

\*Hymn of Response

The God of Abraham Praise

Text: Thomas Olivers (1770)

Music: LEONI, Meyer Lyon (1770)

Hymnal No. 34

\*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, 11.2 (1647)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: Faith, receiving and resting on Christ and His righteousness, is the alone instrument of justification. Yet is it not alone in the person justified, but is ever accompanied with all other saving graces, is no dead faith, but works by love.

\*Gloria Patri

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Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. world without end. Amen, amen.

# **God Commissions Us**

\*Benediction

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:** "The God with a Name"

Text: Exodus 3:1-14

**Intro**: God uses a lot of different ways to call people into a relationship with himself. The particular way God calls us is suited to the unique plan he has for us. It's a great mistake to be impressed with another person's experience and seek the same experience for yourself. But in Moses's unique experience, we do see some of the universal ways God uses when he comes knocking on the door of our lives.

1.	The	Seeking	God

2.	The	Illuminating	God
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3.	The	Saving	God
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#### **Mission Statement of CPC**

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

#### **CPC Officers**

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### I Need Thee Every Hour



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### 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.

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Massey preaches from Exodus 33.1-6, 12-23 and Exodus 34.5-8.

#### 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

# THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

#### Sunday, June 18

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School

#### Monday, June 19

MS Youth Camp: The Edge

#### Tuesday, June 20

MS Youth Camp: The Edge Women's Breathe AM Study - E-106 - 10 am

#### Wednesday, June 21

MS Youth Camp: The Edge Session Mtg - O-105 - 7 pm Ironman Time - E-106 - 7 pm Prayer Gathering - O-104 and Zoom - 7 pm

#### Thursday, June 22

MS Youth Camp: The Edge Swim Day at the Mays' - 11 am

#### Friday, June 23

MS Youth Camp: The Edge Men's Proverb Study - O-105 - 8:30 am

#### Sunday, June 25

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School Meet & Greet - Lobby/Narthex - 12 pm Wilson Bridal Shower - Lobby - 2 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.

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

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# INTERIM STAFF



Pastor Bill & Valerie, Will, & Ruthie Massey

# INTERIM SENIOR PASTOR

Bill grew up in Huntsville, Alabama, and was converted to faith in Christ after reading John Stott's book Basic Christianity, while majoring in geology at the University of Wyoming. Upon graduation, he turned down a seat at the Naval Flight School in Pensacola because he felt called to serve God fulltime. For several years, Bill served on the staff of Campus Crusade for Christ (now Cru) where he met his wife Valerie. They have been married for thirty-six years and have two grown children, Will and Ruthie.

After obtaining his Master of Divinity degree from Covenant Theological Seminary, Bill served as an associate pastor in the eastern suburbs of Pittsburgh and then as a church planter and pastor in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, for eighteen years. A few years ago, he began serving churches as their interim pastor in partnership with McGowan Global. Covenant Presbyterian Church is his third such experience. Bill enjoys assisting churches in these kinds of transitions.

Bill's favorite places are Wyoming and New England (where Valerie is from). He is more of a mountain person than a beach person and enjoys spending time with his family and reading.



Pastor Travis & Kimberly Hutchinson

# INTERIM DIRECTOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY

Travis and Kimberly have been married 30 years and have three boys: George (22), Paul (16), and Jon Michael (9). Travis is a native Texan, and Kimberly grew up all over the world in a military family. Kimberly is a CPA with an MBA in finance and works in wealth management.

Travis grew up in a church-attending family in a mainline denomination which was not Bible-believing. He was a "troubled youth" with deep emotional and spiritual struggles. He came to faith in Christ while working for a non-profit drug intervention program in Corpus Christi.

After attending seminary, he served for thirteen years as the pastor of

Highlands Presbyterian Church and then ten years as the Upper School Chaplain at Chattanooga Christian School. His ministry has been a blend of teaching (the truth of the Gospel) and counseling (the grace of Jesus Christ). Travis has a BA in Biblical Studies (Covenant), an MDiv (Beeson) and an STM in Primitive Church Theology (Sewanee). He is currently pursuing a Master's in Christian Counseling. In addition to pastoral work at Covenant Presbyterian, Travis is a pastoral counselor and consultant with Watershed, a division of ElbowTree Counseling.

Travis is a life-long waterman (he grew up on a lake and moved to an ocean) and now spends time at a sea, lake, river, or creek as much as he possibly can.

# COVENANT LIFE

# SUMMER IRONMAN TIME

The Men's Ministry Ironman group meets in E-106 at 7 pm on Wednesdays. They are using the video series *Manhood Curriculum* from Forge Ministries, followed by group discussion.

# MIDWEEK PRAYER GATHERING

Join us in person or online for a season of prayer on Wednesdays from 7-8 pm. We will meet in O-104 (Jake Bennett's office). Email Ruth Fox at RFox@cpcchatt.org to request the Zoom link.

# SWIM DAYS AT THE MAYS'

Peg May has graciously opened her pool again this summer for CPC families to enjoy. Swim Day is every Thursday from June 8 - August 10 and is open 11:00 am - 4:00 pm. Parents, this is NOT a drop-off event. You are responsible for supervising your children and for clean-up.

# WOMEN'S SUMMER STUDY

Ladies are meeting on Tuesdays to study the Lord's Prayer together. The study book *Breathe* can be purchased through the PCA bookstore.

The Tuesday AM Group meets weekly at 10 am in E-106. It is facilitated by Ann Kistner and Pat Barber. For nursery needs, contact Ann.

The Tuesday PM Group meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays at 7 pm in E-111. It is facilitated by Dory George. For nursery needs, contact Dory.

# BRIDAL SHOWER

You are invited to a Bridal Shower in honor of

Solstice Wilson, bride-to-be of Jonathan Toole. Let's help her celebrate getting married! The couple is registered on Amazon, Walmart, and Target. She is registered under *Klaire Wilson*.



Solstice & Jonathan

The shower will be in the Lobby on Sunday, June 25 from 2-4 pm.

# MEET & GREET

Next Sunday (June 25) after Sunday School, we have an opportunity to welcome our new interim pastors, Pastor Bill Massey (Senior Pastor) and Pastor Travis Hutchinson (Director of Youth Ministry). We will gather in the Lobby and Narthex.

# FORGE CAMP VOLUNTEERS

A Forge Camp Day is being launched this year as a sneak peek for next year! This camp is for boys, who have completed grades 3-8, where they can learn and develop new skills and explore their creativity through various classes and the study of God's Word together.

We need adult male volunteers to help lead classes and for high school guys to be helpers. Forge Camp is Saturday, July 22 from 8:30 am - 2:30 pm.

If have questions or are interested in volunteering, email Heather Morrison at HMorrison@cpcchatt.org.

# CHILDREN & YOUTH

# YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS

Keep our Youth in your prayers as they head to camp this summer. Middle School students will be at The Edge at Covenant College (June 19-23). High School students will be attending RYM at Panama City Beach (July 10-15).

# RENT - A - YOUTH

Want help with tackling a project? CPC members can submit an online form about a job they want done. Scan the QR Code to access it. Email Heather Morrison at HMorrison@cpcchatt.org if you have questions. Proceeds help defray the cost of summer camps.



# YOUTH SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

We hope our youth can join us for our summer Wednesday evening fellowship and games. Invite your friends! We will meet in O-210 and on the front lawn from 6:30-8 pm on the following dates:

- July 5
- July 19
- August 2

# NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

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

NURSERY – JUNE 25			
Front Desk: Tammy Bacon			
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am			
Lisa Wright (Infant Room) Ellie Wright (Infant Room) Sophie Wright (Toddler Room) Eva Herberich (Toddler Room)			
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm			
Hans Anderson (Infant Room) Rachel Anderson (Infant Room)			

# OUTREACH

# AMANI YA JUU



Amani ya Juu ("peace from above" in Swahili) is a social economic enterprise committed to peace and reconciliation for women from many African nations and cultures. We use beautiful African materials to create high quality fair trade home goods and accessories. Through faith in God who provides a transcendent peace, they heal from their past. Together

they grow in dignity and respect for one another. Each Amani center is locally registered and independently managed with support from an international leadership team (Becky Chinchen, Executive Director).

Once warehoused in Washington, DC, Amani relocated to Chattanooga, TN. Joanna Vaughn (Becky Chinchen's daughter) and her husband Pete direct the distribution center, storefront, and new coffee shop The Livingstone (420 S. Willow Street).

Please pray for this ministry in these particular ways:

- For God's sustaining hand and transformational peace on each center and all Amani participants
- For Becky Chinchen and her leadership role with Amani in Nairobi, Kenya
- For Pete and Joanna Vaughn and their leadership roles in Chattanooga
- For a broader and greater client list for Amani products

# LOVE'S ARM OUTREACH



Love's Arm engages in transformative Christ-centered relationships with persons in addiction-related prostitution. They believe that all human beings are fearfully and wonderfully made in the image of God and worthy of love, respect, and dignity. Community members and volunteers from the Chattanooga area actively engage and foster relationships on the streets, strip clubs, jails and hotels/motels. The foundations of these relationships are unconditional love, continual prayer, and grace-filled wisdom. Relationships foster growth, trust, and hope. Rahab's Rest is our cost-free holistic recovery home for women survivors. Transition into recovery

includes trauma-informed holistic care, residential recovery, and medical/mental health services. Please pray for them and their ministry in these particular ways:

- For the ongoing financial support of the ministry, since the services provided are free
- For those who struggle with these sexual sins and related drug addictions
- For the families healing from these past sins