# The Lord's Service July 2, 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.

#### 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

#### 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.

\*Call to Worship

Psalm 99.1-3

LEADER: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He

sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth

quake!

PEOPLE: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over

all the peoples.

LEADER: Let them praise your great and awesome name!

PEOPLE: Holy is he!

\*Hymn of Adoration

Come, Thou Almighty King Words: Anonymous (ca. 1757) Music: TRINITY, Felice de Giardini (1769) Hymnal No. 101

\*Invocation

by Elder Ken Henry

#### God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Deuteronomy 6.10-12

LEADER: ... when the Lord your God brings you into the land that he swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you - with great and good cities that you did not build, and houses full of all good things that you did not

fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant - and when you eat and are full,

PEOPLE: ... then take care lest you forget the Lord, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

Private Confession of Sin

#### Corporate Confession of Sin

from The Valley of Vision, Bennett (1975)

O Savior, help us. We are slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb. We remain in the foothills when we should be on the heights. We are pained by our graceless hearts, our prayerless days, our poverty of love, our sloth in the heavenly race; sullied consciences, wasted hours, and unspent opportunities. We are blind to the light shining around us. Take the scales from our eyes and grind to dust our stony hearts of unbelief. Make it our highest joy to study you, to meditate on you, to gaze on you, to sit like Mary at Your feet, to lean like John on your breast, to appeal like Peter to your love, to count like Paul all things but as rubbish. We believe. Help our unbelief.

Amen.

#### Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 43.1

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

"But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel,

'Fear not, for I have redeemed you, I have called you by name, you are mine.'"

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

#### 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

Alas and Did My Savior Bleed

Words: Isaac Watts (1707); additional text by Bob Kauflin (1997) Music: Bob Kauflin (1997)

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#### God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 8.1-10 (p. 1005) read by Elder Ernie Brown

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Brandenburg Concerto No. 6, 2<sup>nd</sup> Movement

Music: Johann Sebastian Bach (1718)

Casie Runkle, viola; Susan Saliny, viola

Alayne Griffin, harpsichord

\*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 Pastor Jake Bennett

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 33 (p. 463)

- <sup>1</sup> Shout for joy in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the upright.
- <sup>2</sup> Give thanks to the Lord with the lyre; make melody to him with the harp of ten strings!
- <sup>3</sup> Sing to him a new song; play skillfully on the strings, with loud shouts.

#### **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.

- <sup>4</sup> For the word of the Lord is upright, and all his work is done in faithfulness.
- <sup>5</sup> He loves righteousness and justice; the earth is full of the steadfast love of the Lord.
- <sup>6</sup> By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, and by the breath of his mouth all their host.
- <sup>7</sup> He gathers the waters of the sea as a heap; he puts the deeps in storehouses.
- <sup>8</sup> Let all the earth fear the Lord; let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!
- <sup>9</sup> For he spoke, and it came to be; he commanded, and it stood firm.
- <sup>10</sup> The Lord brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; he frustrates the plans of the peoples.
- <sup>11</sup> The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the plans of his heart to all generations.
- <sup>12</sup> Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord, the people whom he has chosen as his heritage!
- <sup>13</sup> The Lord looks down from heaven; he sees all the children of man;
- <sup>14</sup> from where he sits enthroned he looks out on all the inhabitants of the earth,
- <sup>15</sup> he who fashions the hearts of them all and observes all their deeds.
- <sup>16</sup> The king is not saved by his great army; a warrior is not delivered by his great strength.
- <sup>17</sup> The war horse is a false hope for salvation, and by its great might it cannot rescue.
- <sup>18</sup> Behold, the eye of the Lord is on those who fear him, on those who hope in his steadfast love,
- <sup>19</sup> that he may deliver their soul from death and keep them alive in famine.

- <sup>20</sup> Our soul waits for the Lord; he is our help and our shield.
- <sup>21</sup> For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name.
- <sup>22</sup> Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.

#### Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

#### THE MAJESTY OF GOD

\*Hymn of Response

Vast the Immensity, Mirror of Majesty
Words: Edmund P. Clowney (1985)
Music: MAJESTAS, Michael Baughen (1973)
Hymnal No. 24

#### The Lord's Table

\*Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed (215)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: I believe in God the Father Almighty,

Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our

Lord,

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was

crucified,

died, and was buried;

He descended into hell.

The third day He rose again from the dead.

#### 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. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic<sup>†</sup> church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

† "catholic" -- universal

#### \*Gloria Patri

MEINEKE

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.

#### Instruction

Please approach using the outer aisles and return using the center aisle. Juice is served in clear cups. Wine is served in tinted cups. Allergy-sensitive bread is available next to the tray (see page 11 for ingredients). An elder will offer to bring the meal to those who prefer to remain seated.

#### Sursum Corda

LEADER: Lift up your hearts.

**PEOPLE:** We lift them up to the Lord. LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

PEOPLE: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

The Institution and Prayer

Hymn for Distribution

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!

Words: J. Wilbur Chapman (1910)

Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland Hugh Pritchard (1855)

Hymnal No. 498

#### Sursum Corda

We don't fixate on the table, bread, and wine, but lift our hearts to Jesus in the glory of His Father.

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound That saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now am found, Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, And grace my fears relieved; How precious did that grace appear The hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far, And grace will lead me home.

\*When we've been there ten thousand years, Bright shining as the sun, We've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we've first begun.

#### **God Commissions Us**

\*Benediction

Postlude

#### Benediction

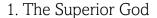
Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service, He graciously sends us into our week with a blessing (good word) founded on the redeeming work of Jesus.

# SERMON NOTES

Title: "The Majesty of God"

Text: Psalm 33

**Intro:** It's true that our God is *personal*. There's a lot of stress laid on that today and it's wonderful that God is personal. But our God is not the same kind of person as we are—weak and kind of inadequate. Our God is eternal and infinite and all-mighty. Like us he is personal. But unlike us he is majestic! He is great! And if we know this God and we know that his majestic and mighty power is working all for our good, we experience the peace and hope and joy we see in this Psalm.



2. The Saving God

3. The Sufficient God

#### **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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#### Alas, and Did My Savior Bleed



- 1. A las! and did my Sav-ior bleed, and did my Sov'-reign die!
- 2. Was it for crimes that I had done he groaned up on the tree!
- 3. Thus might I hide my blush-ing face while his dear cross ap pears;



Would he de-vote that sa-cred head for A-maz-ing pit-y! Grace un-known! And dis-solve my heart in thank-ful-ness, and

such a worm as I! love be yond de - gree! melt mine eyes with tears.



Thy bod - y slain, sweet Je - sus thine, and bathed in its own blood, Well might the sun in dark-ness hide, and shut his glor - ies in, But drops of grief can ne'er re - pay the debt of love I owe;



while all ex - posed to wrath di - vine the when Christ, the might-y mak-er, died for here, Lord, I give my - self a - way, 'tis

glo - rious Suff'-rer stood? man the creat-ure's sin. all that I can do.

#### 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 Bill Massey preaches from Isaiah 6.1-10.

#### 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, July 2

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School

#### Tuesday, July 4

Church Offices Closed

#### Wednesday, July 5

Youth Summer Fellowship - O-210, Front Lawn -6:30 pm

Ironman Time - E-106 - 7 pm

Prayer Gathering - O-104 and Zoom - 7 pm Session - O-105 - 7 pm

#### Thursday, July 6

Swim Day at the Mays' - 11 am

#### Friday, July 7

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

#### Sunday, July 9

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School

#### 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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# COVENANT LIFE

# ALLERGY-SENSITIVE BREAD FOR LORD'S SUPPER

Allergy-sensitive bread ingredients: tapioca starch, water, potato starch, potato flakes, palm oil, honey, egg yolks, natural vinegar, salt

#### CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

The church offices will be closed Tuesday, July 4 in observance of Independence Day.

#### MIDWEEK PRAYER GATHERING

Please join us in person or online for a season of prayer on Wednesdays from 7-8 pm. This Midweek prayer gathering does not take a break over the summer. 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.

#### FORGE CAMP VOLUNTEERS

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.

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.

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

#### HAMILTON FAREWELL

Mark your calendar! Immediately following Sunday School on July 16, join us in thanking Ryan Hamilton and his family for his time of ministry with our Youth at CPC.

#### CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

The July birthday/anniversary calendar is now available outside the Church Office.

#### CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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

# CHILDREN & YOUTH

### PARENTS, HELP NEEDED!

The Children's Ministry is asking for your help on Sunday mornings after Worship. Please do not release your children to come upstairs for Sunday School until 10:55. This allows their teachers to have a few minutes to prepare for your students' arrival.

#### 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.

#### 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

#### YOUTH SUMMER CAMPS

Keep our Youth in your prayers as they attend camp this summer. Middle School students just returned from The Edge. High School students will be attending RYM at Panama City Beach (July 10-15).

NURSERY – TODAY	NURSERY – JULY 9		
Front Desk: Stacy Collins	Front Desk: John Pearce		
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am			
Jeannie Hall (Infant Room) Camille Ambrose (Infant Room) Sherilyn Hobbs (Toddler Room) Teva Wooten (Toddler Room)	Grace Durgin (Infant Room) Wesley Durgin (Infant Room) Babs Leach (Toddler Room) Esther McEachern (Toddler Room)		
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm			
Selah Cross (Infant Room) Lorelei Bradley (Infant Room)	Connie Hildebrand (Infant Room) Jim Hildebrand (Infant Room)		

# CHURCHWIDE Summertime FELLOWSHIP MEAL

## July 26 - Fellowship Hall - 5:30 pm

In the midst of a busy summer, we invite everyone to reconnect over a delicious meal. Join us in the Fellowship Hall (room 0-100).

Our Operation Christmas Child team will provide a short OCC update, and everyone will have an opportunity to participate in an OCC Christmas in July Packing Party.

At 6:30 pm, current and new volunteers in the Children's and Youth Ministry (both teachers and helpers) will meet in E-104 for a training session for the fall. We will review our safety procedures, provide teaching tips, and introduce new curricula.



# July 26 - Fellowship Hall - 6-8 pm

Items Needed: school supplies (on sale now!)

Kids: soap, toothbrushes, combs, hairclips, socks, games, small toys, soccer balls/pumps, flashlights/batteries, etc.

Older kids: fish hooks & line, small tools, deodorant, sewing kits, craft items, calculators, watches, etc.

# OUTREACH

#### TRINITY CHURCH – UK PARTNERSHIP



Trinity Church in Aberdeen, Scotland, is a church that participates in the UK Partnership – a coalition of UK and US churches working together to promote church planting in the UK. It has become a center for training UK church planters. While Trinity is remodeling a historic church building in the center of the city, CPC agreed to help support their pastor, David Gibson, so that his salary can be used for work on the building.



David Gibson

Please pray for them and this ministry in these particular ways:

- To be able to integrate the different age groups together for hospitality lunches to help foster community
- For wisdom for the Session in handling pastoral matters and discussing how best to shepherd the flock
- For their building project to finish well and be able to use their funding to its fullest
- Praise for many new people joining them recently, mostly students

#### CPC MISSIONARIES IN JAPAN



Matt & Annette Cummings

Matt and Annette serve with World Evangelization for Christ (WEC) in Japan. They will be at CPC on July 16 to share an update about their work. They run a ministry center called the Joy Center on the first floor of their large home. They host English classes, children's events, a cooking class, seasonal and special events, and various Bible studies. A single missionary assists them.

Please pray for them and their ministry in these particular ways:

- For them while they are home on furlough to have rest and to be encouraged
- For God's blessing on their various outreaches and ministries
- For people from Bible studies to come to faith and for a community of faith to be born.
- For spiritual protection and blessing on their five children
- For more teammates