

The Lord's Service

September 10, 2023

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

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

*Be Thou My Vision
Bell Choir*

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 67.3-5

LEADER: Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the
peoples praise you!

PEOPLE: **Let the nations be glad and sing for joy.**

LEADER: For you judge the peoples with equity and
guide the nations upon earth.

PEOPLE: **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all
the peoples praise you!**

*Hymn of Adoration

*Come People of the Risen King
Text and Music: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend(2007)
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 Woody Brauer

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Isaiah 6.4-5

LEADER: And the foundations of the thresholds shook at
the voice of him who called, and the house was
filled with smoke.

PEOPLE: **And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I
am a man of unclean lips ..."**

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.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *Church Practices*, Bucer, Strassburg (1539)

**Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to you that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life, as those who do not perfectly believe your Word nor follow your holy commandments. We implore you, remember your goodness and for your name's sake be gracious to us and forgive us our wrongdoing, which indeed is great.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 40.11

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“As for you, O Lord, you will not restrain your mercy from me; your steadfast love and your faithfulness will ever preserve me!”
The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn of Assurance

Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

Text: Nikolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf (1739);

translated by John Wesley (1740)

Music: GERMANY, from William Gardiner's Sacred Melodies (1815)

Hymnal No. 520

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 28 (p. 460)

read by Elder Todd Smith

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

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.

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.

Offertory

Steal Away

Text: Traditional Spiritual

Music: arranged by Patrick Dupré Quigley (2019)

Lina McDaniel and Sylvia Wade, vocalists

Sanctuary Choir

Steal away, steal away,
steal away to Jesus!
Steal away, steal away home;
I ain't got long to stay here.

My Lord, he calls me;
he calls me by the thunder.
The trumpet sounds within my soul;
I ain't got long to stay here.

Green trees are bending;
and sinners stand a - trembling.
The trumpet sounds within my soul;
I ain't got long to stay here.

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.

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

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, alleluia!

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.

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

Scripture Lesson

Ephesians 1.15-23 (p. 976)

Scripture Lesson

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

¹⁵ For this reason, because I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, ¹⁶ I do not cease to give thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers, ¹⁷ that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and of revelation in the knowledge of him, ¹⁸ having the eyes of your hearts enlightened, that you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who

believe, according to the working of his great might ²⁰ that he worked in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹ far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And he put all things under his feet and gave him as head over all things to the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

HOPE, RICHES, POWER

*Hymn of Response

All Authority and Power

Text: Christopher M. Idle (1973)

Music: NEANDER, Joachim Neander (1680)

Hymnal No. 453

*Confession of Faith

Westminster Confession of Faith, 8.5
(1647)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: The Lord Jesus, by His perfect obedience and sacrifice of Himself, which He through the eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, has fully satisfied the justice of His Father; and purchased not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father has given unto Him.

*Gloria Patri

GREATOR EX

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.

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.

God Commissions Us

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.

*Benediction

Postlude

SERMON NOTES

Title: “Hope, Riches, Power”

Text: Ephesians 1.15-23

Intro: The great burden of Paul’s prayer for the Ephesian believers is that they would not be blind to the spiritual glory and riches that make up the inheritance the Father has given to His children in Christ. Paul prays that the “eyes of your hearts may be enlightened” and that the Father of glory would grant a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Him. Because of the darkness of his heart, the natural man is tragically blind to the glories and beauties of knowing God. Jesus said, “Unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Paul, of course, is praying, not for unbelievers, but for believers (members of God’s own family). But doesn’t this show us that we, who have been born of the Spirit into God’s family and through the Spirit given faith in Christ, are in need of ongoing illumination from God? We need this illumination so we might see with growing clarity the wealth of our inheritance in knowing God. What must the Spirit open our eyes increasingly to see?

1. Our Hope

2. Our Wealth

3. Our Power

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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Come People of the Risen King

1. Come peo - ple of the Ris - en King, who de - light to bring Him praise; Come
 2. Come those whose joy is morn - ing sun, and those weep - ing through the night; Come
 3. Come young and old from ev - 'ry land, men and wom - en of the faith; Come

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all, and tune your hearts to sing to the Morn - ing Star of grace. From the shift - ing shad - ows
 those who tell of bat - tles won, and those strug - gling in the fight. For His per - fect love will
 those with full or emp - ty hands find the rich - es of His grace. O - ver all the world, His

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of the earth, we will lift our eyes to Him, where stead - y arms of mer - cy reach to —
 nev - er change, and His mer - cies nev - er cease, but fol - low us through all our days, with the
 peo - ple sing - shore to shore we hear them call the truth that cries through ev - 'ry age, "Our —

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gath - er chil - dren in.
 cer - tain hope of peace. Re - joice, re - joice! Let ev - 'ry tongue re -
 God is all in all."

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joice! One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, re - joice!

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 attending the Visitor's Class designed for you that meets in Room 105 (just off the Lobby).

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Massey preaches from Ephesians 2.1-7.

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, 2020 (deacons can direct you)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 10

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School

Tuesday, September 12

Ladies' Connect Group - Room 119 - 10 am
Women's Joshua Study - Room 122 - 10 am
Moms of Teens Book Study - Room 120 - 10 am

Wednesday, September 13

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

Friday, September 15

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

Saturday, September 16

TVP Women's Conference - First Pres. Church -
8:30 am

Sunday, September 17

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Diaconate Mtg - Room 105 - 12:30 pm
Praise, Prayer, & Fellowship - Room 100 - 6 pm

MORE INFORMATION

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

Website: cpcchatt.org

Online Directory: Contact the church office to request access.

Pastoral Care Line: Call/text your prayer request or need to 423-521-2142.

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

LADIES' CONNECT GROUP

Every Tues • 10 am • Room 119

Ladies of CPC are invited for a time of fellowship and prayer. If you have any questions, contact Diane Lazor.

PRAISE, PRAYER, & FELLOWSHIP

Sun, Sept 17 • 6 pm • Room 100

Join us for a time of music, Scripture reading, and prayer for our church during this season of transition. Fellowship and light snacks to follow.

VISITING SENIOR SAINTS

Tues, Sept 19 • 11:30 am • Room 100

Come and help pack small bags of gifts, sign cards, pray together, and then go visiting in pairs. If you are interested, please contact Judy Foster at 423-645-1086 or grammiesno1@live.com.

THANK YOU

"We want to convey our deep, heartfelt gratitude to those in our church family who so lovingly prepared meals, sent cards and texts, and called during Dianne's recent hip surgery and convalescence. Your faithful prayers on our behalf were immense encouragement and ministered to us profoundly."

-- Gary and Dianne Cosby

PASTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE REQUEST

If you know a pastor who might be a good fit for the Senior Pastor role at CPC, please forward his name to Jason Coffey (jason@canaangroup.com) or Chuck Frost (chuck@mcgowanglobal.com).

All potential candidate names will go to Chuck at MGI to begin the vetting process with our Pastor Search Committee.

OFFICER NOMINATIONS

The Session has opened deacon and elder nominations through next Sunday, September 17. The biblical qualifications for nominees are found in 1 Timothy 3.1-13 and Titus 1.5-9. They must be members of CPC for at least two years.

Prayerfully consider men who you believe are qualified to serve. Names can be submitted in an online form at cpcchatt.org/nomination. Paper forms are available in the Welcome Center and Narthex and can be submitted in the boxes.

LOST & FOUND

Please check the Lost & Found cabinet in the Lobby (near the water fountains). We will be donating remaining items after today.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CALM KITS FOR WORSHIP

If you have a child who sometimes struggles to quietly sit still during a service, feel free to try one of our Calm Kit bags that are located in the Family Worship Room. They have fidgets and tools to help soothe the wiggles. These kits hang on the front wall of the Family Room and can be used there or taken back to your seat. At the end of worship, return the Calm Kit back to its hook.

Our Sensory Path (in the hallway between the Fellowship Hall and playground) is a series of activities designed to help work out energy and helps your child's brain and body feel calm.

If you would like more information about these kinds of needs or could use more support with helping your child these ways, email Sara Southard at ssouthard@cpcchatt.org.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DROP-OFF AND PICK-UP

Parents, please wait to bring your children upstairs until 10:50. This allows their teachers to have a few minutes to prepare for your arrival.

A parent (or approved adult) must return upstairs at noon to sign out their students.

NURSERY - TODAY	NURSERY - SEPTEMBER 17
Front Desk: Tim Warren	Front Desk: Sherry Baierl
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am	
Camille Ambrose (Little Lambs) Betta Cook (Little Lambs) Lina McDaniel (Busy Bees) Peyton McDaniel (Busy Bees)	Babs Leach (Little Lambs) Esther McEachern (Little Lambs) Grace Durgin (Busy Bees) Wesley Durgin (Busy Bees)
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm	
Debby Gardner (Little Lambs) Lillie Yonkofski (Little Lambs) Eric Mantel (Busy Bees) Lucy Mantel (Busy Bees)	Lorelei Bradley (Little Lambs) Diane Lazor (Little Lambs) Colleen Bailey (Busy Bees) Madelyn Horton (Busy Bees)

YOUTH MINISTRY

MOMS OF TEENS BOOK STUDY

Tues, Sept 12 • 10 am • Room 120

Tracy Horton will begin a series on understanding and parenting teens. Please purchase a copy of *Parenting Teens with Love and Logic- Preparing Adolescents for Responsible Adulthood* (3rd Edition) by Foster Cline and Jim Fay. It is available on Amazon.

YOUTH GAME NIGHT

Sat, Sept 23 • 7 pm • Room 100

Bring your favorite game to play! Pizza and snacks will be provided.

HS MISSION TRIP MEETING

Sun, Sept 24 • 12:15 pm • Room 100

We are hosting an informational meeting on our High School summer mission trip to Brazil. If you are curious or know that your student wants to participate, don't miss this meeting!

FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

Fri, Oct 6 • 11:30 am • Panda Express

Youth homeschool students and families are invited to join us for a time of fellowship at Panda Express (2260 Gunbarrel Road).

CAMP ALPINE • MENTONE, AL

CPC YOUTH FALL RETREAT

OCTOBER 20-22

Make plans to join us for a great weekend of fun games, fellowship, and time in God's Word together! It won't be the same without you. Scan the QR Code to register.



MIDWEEK

Upcoming Midweek Menu



September 13: Sloppy Joes, French Fries, Salad Bar, Pineapple Upside Down Cake

September 20: Chicken Gyros, Greek Salad Bar, Potato Chips, Key Lime Pie

September 27: Beef Stroganoff, Broccoli, Homemade Sourdough Bread, Cinnamon Bars

October 4: Stromboli with Marinara, Creamed Spinach, Salad Bar, Chocolate Pudding

- 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.

FOOD ALLERGY INFO

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.

INSIGHTS FOR UNDERSTANDING SCRIPTURE CLASS

Every Wed • 7 pm • Room 105

Dr. Lamar Allen's class this semester is examining several difficult to interpret Old and New Testament passages in detail. He will also cover the concepts of the Trinity, the Incarnation, mortal death, and the intermediate state of the soul.

OUTREACH

CPC MISSIONARIES WITH TRANS WORLD RADIO



Andy & Kathy Napier

Andy and Kathy serve with Trans World Radio (TWR). Andy has been working in Christian radio for over 30 years. For 22 of those years, Andy was with Moody Radio in Chattanooga. In 2013, the Napiers moved to TWR's Headquarters in Cary, NC, to begin work there. Andy hosts and produces *Footsteps*--a daily 2-minute radio program which airs on more than 180 stations in the U.S. Kathy works as an accounts payable specialist in TWR's finance department. .

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

- Praise for continued strong support from faithful ministry partners.
- Andy has a number of upcoming work trips. Please pray for safety as he travels and successful campaigns. Pray for Kathy while he's away.



CPC MISSIONARIES TO GREECE



Mark & Denise

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

Mark and Denise serve with TEAM in Greece. They are using a tent-maker approach (a coffee roasting company) to gain a presence in this country and spread the gospel. This excerpt is from their most recent update letter is about God's timing with business establishment and residence visas:

Though our attorney had informed us that the Greek company would be formed by mid-April, we later received word that the accountant needed documentation about the US company and that those documents needed an apostille (special certification) by the Tennessee Secretary of State's office. We worked diligently, but trying to manage this from Greece took too long, even with help. When we couldn't get a remaining document in time, we were forced to cancel the appointment. But we still had to leave Greece...God seemed slow to answer. And when He did, His answer was that we wait even longer...It is easy to question whether things were handled right, but in the end it was God's timing.

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

- For their company Watauga Coffee to develop the brand identity that will resonate in Greece and in the United States; for wisdom and creativity to build a brand that honors Christ and calls people to Him
- For wisdom as they seek to coordinate the accounting between the US and Greek operations