The Lord's Service August 4, 2024

*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

1 Chronicles 16.23-25

LEADER: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

PEOPLE: Tell of his salvation from day to day. LEADER: Declare his glory among the nations,

PEOPLE: His marvelous works among all the peoples! LEADER: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,

PEOPLE: And he is to be feared above all gods.

*Hymn of Adoration

O God beyond All Praising

Words: Michael Perry (1982) Music: THAXTED, from Gustav Holst's "The Planets (1918)

Hymnal No. 660

*Invocation

by Elder Ken Henry

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.

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Psalm 32.3-5

LEADER: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

PEOPLE: I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin found in Strassburg Liturgy (1539)

Almighty, eternal God and Father, we confess and acknowledge unto you that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life. We do not fully believe your Word nor follow your holy commandments.

Remember your goodness, we beseech you, and for your Name's sake be gracious unto us, and forgive us our iniquity which truly is great. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 23.6

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

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever."

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

O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing Words: Charles Wesley (1739) Music: AZMON, Carl G. Gläser (1784-1829); arranged by Lowell Mason (1839) Hymnal No. 164

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 37.18-31 (p. 466) read by Elder Jason Coffey

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Soul, Adorn Yourself with Gladness Music: by J.S. Bach, reconstructed by John Wykoff

Soul, adorn yourself with gladness, leave the gloomy haunts of sadness, come into the daylight's splendor, there with joy your praises render. Bless the One whose grace unbounded this amazing banquet founded; he, though heav'nly, high, and holy, deigns to dwell with you most lowly.

*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 Travis Hutchinson

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5.13-16 (p. 810)

¹³ You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

¹⁴ You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. ¹⁵ Nor do people light a lamp and put it under

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. a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. ¹⁶ In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

SALT AND LIGHT

*Hymn of Response

Though I May Speak with Bravest Fire
Words: Hal H. Hopson (1972)
Music: GIFT OF LOVE, American folk tune;
arranged by Hal Hopson (1972)
Hymnal No. 597

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.
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.

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. † "catholic" -- universal

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic[†] church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. 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!

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 10 for ingredients). An elder will offer to bring the meal to those who prefer to remain seated.

Sursum Corda

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

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 We Will Feast in the House of Zion
Words and Music: Joshua Moore and Sandra McCracken (2015)
see Page 8

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: Salt and Light **Text:** Matthew 5.13-16

Intro: In the Beatitudes, Jesus described the character qualities of His disciples. But now, Jesus uses the metaphors of salt and light to describe their influence on the world. In a sense, this is startling! What kind of effective influence can the people just described have in a world that opposes them? What lasting good can the poor, meek, mourning, and merciful have? Wouldn't they just be swept away by a tide of evil? Jesus says, "No." The influence of His church will be far and wide in a world that persecutes it.

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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 Pastors

Bill Massey (Interim Senior Pastor), Travis Hutchinson (Interim Pastor of Youth & Families), Eric Mullinax (Elder Emeritus-Volunteer for Congregational Care)

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We Will Feast in the House of Zion



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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. If you are visiting or are wanting to become a member of Covenant, consider attending the New Member's Class that meets in Room 120.

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Massey preaches from Matthew 5.17-20.

Finding your way:

Scan the QR code to view a map of our campus. Printed maps can be found on the bulletin board just off the Lobby 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, 2021 (deacons can direct you)
- Calm Kit Bags borrow fidgets and tools to help soothe the wiggles during worship (in the Family Worship Room)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, August 4

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Lord's Supper Celebrated Sunday School HS Youth Lock-Out begins - Lobby - 4 pm

Tuesday, August 6

Ladies' Psalms Study - Rooms 121-122 - 10 am
Ladies' AM Cultural Book/Discussion Series Room 120 - 10 am
HS Youth Lock-Out ends - Lobby - 11 am
Women's Ministry Team Mtg - Room 119 - 6:30 pm
Ladies' PM Cultural Book/Discussion Series Rooms 121-122 - 7 pm

Wednesday, August 7

Session Mtg - Room 105 - 7 pm Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Room 150 - 7 pm Midweek Prayer Group - Room 101 (Pastor Massey's office) - 7 pm

Thursday, August 8

Last Swim Day - Peg May's Pool - 11 am

Friday, August 9

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

Sunday, August 11

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School College/Career Fellowship & Fun - Room 100 -12 pm

MORE INFORMATION

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

Website: cpcchatt.org

Online Directory: Contact the church office to request access

Prayer Requests: Email your request or update to prayer@cpcchatt.org

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

SANCTUARY CHOIR PRACTICE

Wed, Aug 7 • 7 pm • Room 150 (Choir Room)

The Sanctuary Choir will resume meeting for rehearsal beginning this Wednesday evening. Nursery is available. New and returning choir members should scan the QR Code to sign-up. If you have any questions, contact John Wykoff

(JWykoff@cpcchatt.org).



COLLEGE/CAREER FELLOWSHIP & FUN

Sun, Aug 11 • 12 pm • Room 100

This class wants to welcome all 2024 high school graduates with a potluck lunch and games. RSVP to Tim & Bonnie Schoap, 423-503-7315 or tim.schoap@gmail.com

REKINDLED LADIES FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Thurs, Aug 15 • 11:30 am • Room 100 (SFH)

Ladies, if you suffered the loss of a spouse, are living alone, or just need some fellowship, we invite you to come and be rekindled through a time of ministry and encouragement over a light lunch in Room 100 (Schum Fellowship Hall).

Please RSVP with Joan at 423-899-8385. if no answer please leave a message. Contact the church office if you need more information.

BRAZIL TEAM REPORT

Sun, Aug 18 • 11 am • Room 100

The High School Brazil team will be sharing highlights from their recent missions trip. This Sunday is the break between the summer and fall Sunday School semesters, so plan to join us in Room 100 (SFH) and encourage our students as they share their experiences following the worship service.

PRAISE. PRAYER. & **FELLOWSHIP**

Sun, Aug 18 • 6 pm • Room 100

Join us for a time of music, Scripture reading, and prayer. We will pray for our church during this season of transition. A time of fellowship and light snacks will follow.

COVENANT LIFE

GRIEFSHARE

beginning Wed, Aug 21 • 6:30 pm • Room 119

GriefShare is for people grieving the death of a family member or friend. Each session is "self-contained." While attending each meeting is best, you do not have to attend each class in sequence to find encouragement. For more information about the program, visit griefshare.org/about.

FALL MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

CPC ministry leaders are busily planning the new Fall Semester. Please begin to consider and pray about how God might use you this fall.

Ministry Opportunities beginning in August:

- Nursery Volunteers for Sundays and especially Wednesday Midweek activities
- (beginning August 28); contact Bekah Gernhard (Nursery@cpcchatt.org)
- Children's and Youth Ministry teachers and helpers for Sunday school and Midweek classes (Volunteer Training Meeting is on August 21); for Children's Ministry, contact Sara Southard (SSouthard@cpcchatt.org); for Youth, contact Heather Morrison (HMorrison@cpcchatt.org)

OCC AUGUST COLLECTION

We collect items all year to fill OCC Shoeboxes and spread the gospel. All donations should be placed on the OCC cart in the Youth Stairwell just off of the lobby. This month these are the items we are collecting:

Clothing Items:

Flip-Flops, T-shirts, small dresses, etc.

Please continue to shop for "Back To School" supplies while they are on sale!

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family, thank you for all the prayers, cards, texts, visits, calls, emails, and food as Lewis begins recovery for knee replacement surgery The outpouring of love which has been shown to us has touched our hearts. We are truly grateful.

~ Lewis and Anna Reid

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to John and Elaine Larmer and their family on the loss of Elaine's father, John Altick.

CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH

AUG 4 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Leanna Cathey

Worship - 9:15 am

Kristin & Abby Sotelo (Little Lambs)

Adam & Evie Cathey & Mary Rahm (Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Sarah McCurry & Abby Knecht (Little Lambs)

Dianne Lazor & Tim Warren (Busy Bees)

YOUTH SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Wed, Aug 14 • 6 pm • Front Lawn

Plan to join us for another summer Wednesday fellowship! We will have popsicles, soccer, and games. Invite a friend!

LAST SWIM DAY

This Thursday is the last church-wide Swim Day at Peg May's pool (11:00 am - 4:00 pm). Be sure to thank her for sharing with all of us!

Parents, this is NOT a drop-off event. You are responsible for supervising your children and for cleaning up after yourself.

AUG 11 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Emily Calloway (W) / Bekah Gernhard (SS)

Worship - 9:15 am

Hannah Ingram & Lauren Warren (Little Lambs)
Sherlyn Hobbs & Shirley Jones (Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Jason & Stacy Collins (Little Lambs)
Eric Mullinax & Lillie Yonkofski (Busy Bees)

FALL SEMESTER DATES

Mark your calendar for these upcoming dates:

- Last Summer Sunday School Class: August 11
- Sunday School Promotion Sunday: August 25
- Midweek Classes and Activities begin: August 28

OUTREACH

CPC MISSIONARIES WITH MAF



Brian & Connie Shepson

Brian and Connie serve with Mission Aviation Fellowship (MAF). They are currently in Florida helping to care for aging parents in their final years. Brian remains current in his flight skill and is planning a trip to West Africa at the end of the summer. He is going to perform flight checks on MAF pilots there.

MAF has been serving the world-wide Evangelical missions outreach for the past seventy years with appropriate technology to speed the Gospel to the most difficult parts of the earth. MAF has a take off or landing somewhere in the world every five minutes, 24/7.

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

- For Brian's duties of training missionary pilots and for their safety worldwide
- For MAF pilots in West Africa and Haiti and the expanding ministry programs there
- For protection and safety during the upcoming hurricane season

CPC MISSIONARIES WITH CRU



Aubrey & Jerri Fritz

CRU is a non-denominational outreach organization passionate about connecting people to Christ. Aubry and Jerri had been serving Howard School (Chattanooga) and reaching students, but God specifically turned their hearts to their students' home lives and their parents. With CRU Family Life Local, they will continue serving the school campus, but with the purpose of reaching and discipling both child and parent(s) with the Gospel.

Recently, the Fritzes led a short-term missions team from Chattanooga to the Dominican Republic. They partnered with Filters of Hope and used the life-

changing gift of water filter installation in people's homes to share the life-changing Gospel.

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

- For connections with neighbors and neighborhoods through outreach events
- For God to connect them with a church in their neighborhood to work alongside to address fatherlessness, single-parenting, isolation from community, etc.
- For God to bring the people they ministered to in the Dominican Republic into continued discipleship with a local church
- For God to continue to bless their marriage and grow them closer together