

The Lord's Service

June 14, 2026

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

Prelude

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 16.8-11

LEADER: O give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name;
make known his deeds among the peoples!

PEOPLE: **Sing to him, sing praises to him;
tell of all his wondrous works!**

LEADER: Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those
who seek the Lord rejoice!

PEOPLE: **Seek the Lord and his strength;
seek his presence continually!**

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 Pastor Bill Massey

*Hymn of Adoration

Great is Thy Faithfulness
Hymnal No.32

Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with thee;
thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;
as thou hast been thou forever wilt be.

Refrain: Great is thy faithfulness!

Great is thy faithfulness!

Morning by morning new mercies I see:
all I have needed thy hand hath provided -
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me!

Summer and winter and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars in their courses above,
join with all nature in manifold witness
to thy great faithfulness, mercy, and love. *Refrain*

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide,
strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside! *Refrain*

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Romans 12.1-2

LEADER: I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

PEOPLE: **Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

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. We
confess in prayer both
corporately and privately 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.

Passing of the Peace

In Christ, we are one
family. In this moment, we
extend His peace with a
handshake, a smile, or a
simple greeting. We do this
to remind one another of
the grace we have received
and now share with each
other.

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *Family Prayers*, Henry Thornton, London (1837)

We have great reason, O Lord, to be humbled before you, on account of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts, the disorder and irregularity of our lives, and the prevalence of worldly affections within us. Too often have we indulged the tempers which we ought to have subdued, and have left our duty unperformed. O Lord, be merciful to us for your Son Jesus Christ's sake. Produce in us deep repentance, and a lively faith in that Savior who has died for our sins, and risen again for our justification. Amen.

Private Confession of Sin

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8.31-34

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

“What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.”

Passing of the Peace

LEADER: The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: **And also with you!**

**Please stand and extend God's peace to those around you.*

*Hymn of Assurance

Before the Throne of God Above

Music on page 7

Before the throne of God above,
I have a strong, a perfect plea,
A great High Priest whose name is Love,
who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on His hands,
my name is written on His heart.
I know that while in heaven He stands,
no tongue can bid me thence depart. *(repeat)*

When Satan tempts me to despair,
and tells me of the guilt within,
Upward I look and see Him there,
who made an end of all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died,
my sinful soul is counted free.
For God the Just is satisfied
to look on Him and pardon me. *(repeat)*

Behold Him there the Risen Lamb,
my perfect spotless righteousness,
The great unchangeable I Am,
the King of glory and of grace,
One with Himself I cannot die.
My soul is purchased by His blood,
My life is hid with Christ on high,
with Christ my Savior and my God. *(repeat)*

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 96 (p.499)

read by Elder Ken Henry

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

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

I Will Be a Child of Peace
Arr: Elaine Hagenberg, Edited: Dan Forrest
Sanctuary Choir

*O Holy Father, I will be a child of peace and purity,
For well I know Thy hand will bless
The seeker after righteousness.*

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.

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.

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

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

Prayer of the Church

by Elder Phil Wade

Scripture Lesson

Acts 17.16-34(p.926)

Sermon

by Pastor David Stephenson

THIS WE BELIEVE: GOD THE FATHER ALMIGHTY

*Hymn of Response

Holy, Holy, Holy!
Hymnal No.100

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

***Confession of Faith**

Apostles' Creed

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.
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.

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

***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.

God Commissions Us

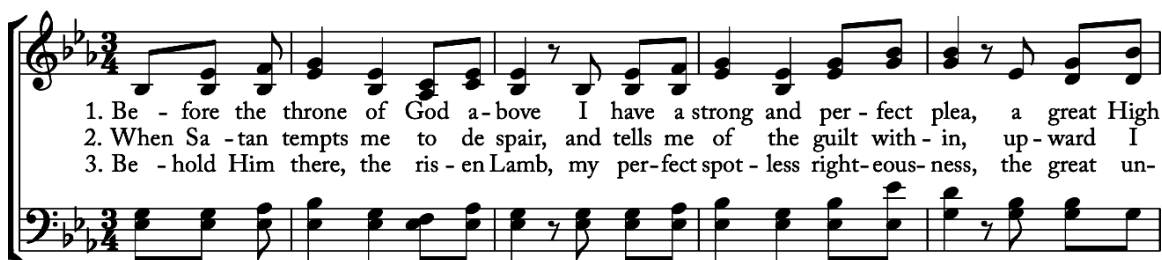
***Benediction**

Postlude

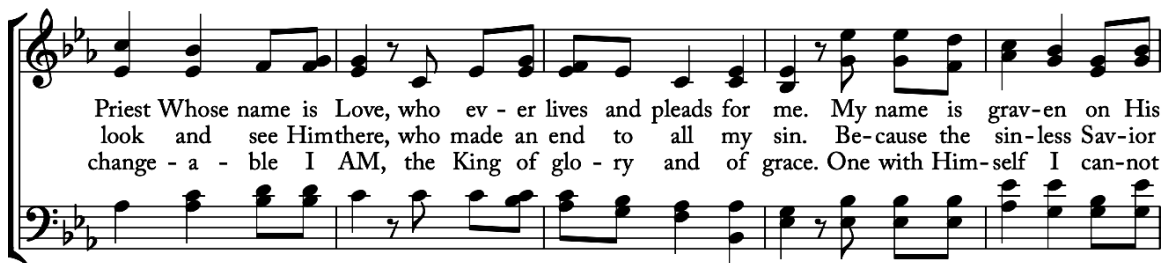
Benediction

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.

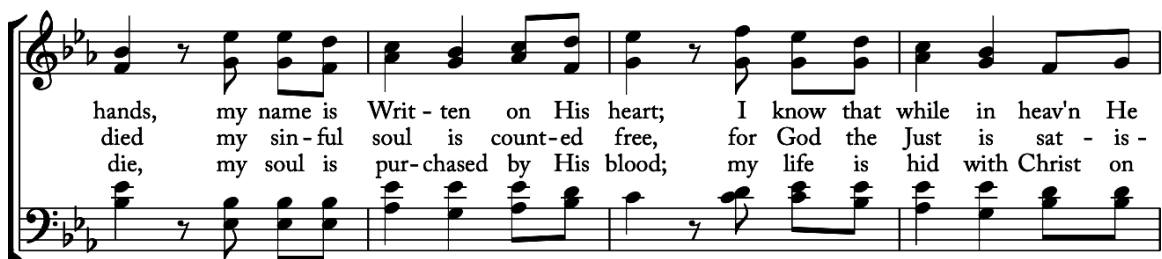
Before the Throne of God Above



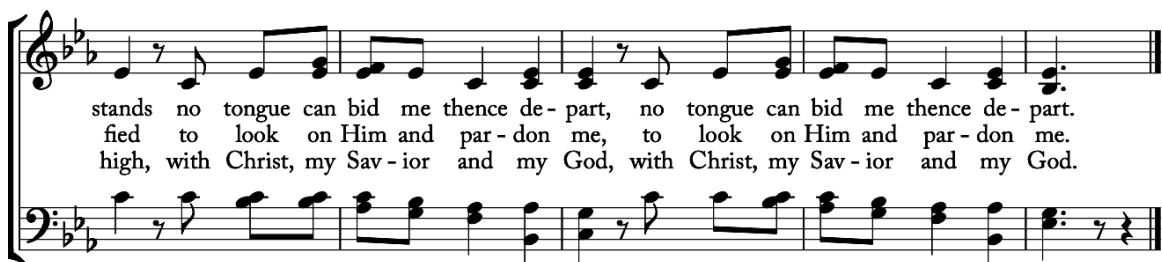
1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove I have a strong and per - fect plea, a great High
2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with - in, up - ward I
3. Be - hold Him there, the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect spot - less right - eous - ness, the great un -



Priest Whose name is Love, who ev - er lives and pleads for me. My name is grav - en on His
look and see Him there, who made an end to all my sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior
change - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of grace. One with Him - self I can - not



hands, my name is Writ - ten on His heart; I know that while in heav'n He
died my sin - ful soul is count - ed free, for God the Just is sat - is -
die, my soul is pur - chased by His blood; my life is hid with Christ on



stands no tongue can bid me thence de - part, no tongue can bid me thence de - part.
fied to look on Him and par - don me, to look on Him and par - don me.
high, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God, with Christ, my Sav - ior and my God.

SERMON NOTES

Title: This We Believe: God the Father Almighty

Text: Acts 17.16-34

Mission Statement of CPC

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

CPC Pastors

David Stephenson (*Senior Pastor*),

Bill Massey (*Assistant Pastor of Discipleship*), Travis Hutchinson (*Interim Pastor of Youth & Families*)

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Musicians

Director - Todd Gaither, Piano - Alayne Griffin, Organ - Melissa Ferrel

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 *What Is Presbyterian?* Class that meets in Room 119.

We invite you to join us next week as Pastor David preaches from Isaiah 53.

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, 2022 (deacons can direct you)
- **Calm Kit Bags** - borrow fidgets and tools to help soothe the wiggles during worship (in Family Worship Room)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, June 14

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School - *visit cpcchatt.org for class list*
Ferrel/Milligan Wedding Shower - SFH - 2 pm

Monday, June 15

Middle School "The Edge" - Drop off at 2 pm

Tuesday, June 16

ROMEO Breakfast - Cracker Barrel (Ringgold) - 8 am
Ladies' John Bible Study - Room 121-122 - 10 am

Wednesday, June 17

Sanctuary Choir Practice - Room 150 - 6:30 pm
Session Meeting - Room 105 - 7 pm

Thursday, June 18

Swim Day at Mays' Pool - 11 am - 4 pm

Friday, June 19

Men's Bible Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am
Middle School "The Edge" - Returns ~12 pm

Sunday, June 21 - *Father's Day*

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School - *visit cpcchatt.org for class list*

MORE INFORMATION

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

Website: cpcchatt.org

Prayer Requests: Email your request or update to prayer@cpcchatt.org These needs are shared M-F. If you have an urgent need, contact your shepherding elder.

Online Directory: Contact the church office to request access

COVENANT LIFE

WEDDING
SHOWER



Ferrel/Milligan Shower

TODAY • 2 pm • SFH

We are celebrating Maddie Ferrel and Ben Milligan, who will be getting married on July 25. Please join us in blessing this young couple as they begin their new life together! They are registered at The Knot. Scan QR code for registry.



LADIES' SUMMER STUDY

Tuesdays • 10 am • Room 121-122

Ladies, you are warmly invited to join us as we conclude Kathleen Buswell Nelson's study *John: That You May Believe*. Through this study, we will seek to deepen our discernment and delight in God's Word, and see the implications of this study for our lives. Led by Valerie Massey & Dianne Cosby, we will continue with chapters 15-21 beginning June 9 through July 14.

SWIM DAY AT THE MAYS'

Thursdays thru Aug 6 • 11 am - 4 pm

Peg May has graciously opened her pool for CPC families to enjoy. Parents, this is NOT a drop-off event. You are responsible for supervising your children and for cleaning up after yourself.

LADIES' COOKOUT
& GAME NIGHT

Mon, Jun 22 • 6 pm • Morrison's Home

Ladies, join us for a cookout, yard games, swimming, or just sit and chat for a time of fellowship. Ladies of all ages welcome!

HS GUYS' ADVENTURE DAY

Wed, Jun 24 • 8 am • Pigeon Mountain

High School guys, we hope you can join us for an adventure day! Travis will be taking a group of HS guys hiking on Pigeon Mountain, eating lunch, spending time in the Word, and fellowshiping. Meet at CPC at 8 am and we will return by 2 pm.

YOUTH SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Wed, Jun 24 • 6:30 pm • Front Lawn

Students, mark your calendars and plan to join us for our Youth Summer Fellowship (YSF)! We will have popsicles, soccer, and games. Meet us on the front lawn.

FORGE CAMP REGISTRATION

Camp Dates • Jul 30 - Aug 1

Online registration for Forge Camp is open.

Visit cpcchatt.org/ministry/youth or scan QR code to sign-up.



COVENANT LIFE

COLLEGE & CAREER GAME NIGHT

Fri, Jun 26 • 6 pm • Ingram's Home

All College and Career age group is invited to join us for an evening of games, fellowship, and food. Dinner will be provided. Join our GroupMe for updates - "CPC College and Career."

Please email Calvin with questions:
calviningram2013@gmail.com

OFFICER NOMINATIONS

A nomination period for the offices of Elder and Deacon will be held from Sunday, July 12 through Sunday, August 2.

LADIES' PODCAST DISCUSSION

Sat, Jun 27 • 10:15 am • Holler's Home

Ladies, you are invited to listen to and discuss the "Discipling the Next Generation in a Culture of Confusion" podcast with Rosaria Butterfield. In this episode of *City of God*, host Rob Pacienza sits down with Rosaria Butterfield, acclaimed author and speaker, to explore the Biblical sexual ethic amid a shifting cultural landscape. Coffee and healthy light snacks provided.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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

NURSERY SCHEDULE - TODAY

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Sherry Baiert	Abby Sotelo Kristin Sotelo	Camille Ambrose Betta Cook Tim Warren	Stacy Collins Bekah Gernhard	Abby Coffey Catherine Coffey

NURSERY SCHEDULE - June 21

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Stacy Collins	Tammy Bacon Maria England	Meghan Lewis Dawn Reynolds Vera Sanders	Sandy Coffey Maria Lopez Tello	Connie Hildebrand Jim Hildebrand

MISSIONS



Jay Fowler
Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Ministry Focus:

Jay serves as a multi-area director with Fellowship of Christian Athletes (FCA) in our Tennessee Valley area. Their mission is to lead every coach and athlete into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ and His church. Locally, FCA serves on over 60 campuses (college, high school, middle school) in a five-county area.

Prayer:

- For the upcoming combined middle-school and high-school camp
- For the hearts of students to be captured and transformed by Christ
- For God to raise up volunteers to serve on the mission field of area schools
- For funding and faithful stewardship of resources



Linda Summer
Agape Puppets - worldwide

Ministry Focus:

Each year, Agape Puppets shares the true love of Jesus Christ with over 70,000 children, teenagers, and adults across five continents. They also train and equip teams in many countries to reach their children (and parents) for Jesus. Using puppets and storytelling, they tell children living in desperate places that there is hope.

Prayer:

- For Linda's physical health and spiritual vigor
- For international traveling safety and finances
- For new believers to grow and be connected to a local church for discipleship and encouragement

More details at cpchatt.org/ministry/outreach

