

The Lord's Service

July 26, 2026

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

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Testimony of Making Christ Known - Harvest USA

Preparation for Worship

Testimony

We bear witness to God's
redeeming grace and
celebrate His faithfulness
as Christ brings restoration
to our lives, our church,
and our world.

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.

God Calls Us

*Call to Worship

Exodus 15.2

LEADER: The Lord is my strength and my song,
and he has become my salvation;

PEOPLE: This is my God, and I will praise him,
my father's God, and I will exalt him.

*Invocation

by Pastor Bill Massey

*Hymn of Adoration

From Everlasting (Psalm 90)

Music page 7

O God before the mountains were brought forth
Or days of spring and summer filled the earth,
From everlasting, You are God.

We dwell beneath the stars in ancient skies;
A thousand years are nothing in Your sight;
From everlasting, You are God.

Chorus: And all our days are held within Your hands;
Your perfect love and favor have no end.
We rest within the wisdom of Your plan,
Everlasting God.

O God when joy and tragedy collide,
And loss reminds us life is but a sigh,
From everlasting, You are God. *Chorus*

O God of light, our ways are known to You;
But by Your grace You're making all things new.
So satisfy us in our numbered days;
Establish every effort while we wait.
From everlasting, You are God. *Chorus*

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Psalm 25.10-11

LEADER: All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and
faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant
and his testimonies.

PEOPLE: For your name's sake, O Lord, pardon my
guilt, for it is great.

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.**

Private Confession of Sin

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.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 32.1-2

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

“Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.”

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

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded
Hymnal No.247

O sacred Head, now wounded,
with grief and shame weighed down;
now scornfully surrounded
with thorns, thine only crown;
O sacred Head, what glory,
what bliss till now was thine!
Yet, though despised and gory,
I joy to call thee mine.

What thou, my Lord, hast suffered
was all for sinners' gain:
mine, mine was the transgression,
but thine the deadly pain.
Lo, here I fall, my Savior!
'Tis I deserve thy place;
look on me with thy favor,
vouchsafe to me thy grace.

What language shall I borrow
to thank thee, dearest Friend,
for this, thy dying sorrow,
thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever;
and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never
outlive my love to thee.

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 42.1-9 (p.602)
read by Elder Todd Smith

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Time measured out my days
Life carried me along
In my soul I yearned to follow God
But knew I'd never be so strong
I looked hard at this world
To learn how heaven could be gained
Just to end where I began
Where human effort is all in vain*

*Were it not for grace
I can tell you where I'd be
Wand'ring down some pointless road to nowhere
With my salvation up to me
(And) I know how that would go
The battles I would face
Forever running but losing the race
Were it not for grace*

*So here is all my praise
Expressed with all my heart
Offered to a Friend who took my place
And ran a course I could not start
And when He saw in full
Just how much His love would cost
He still went the final mile between me and heaven
So I would not be lost*

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 our selves.

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

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

by Elder Chris Rimondi

Scripture Lesson

1 John 1.5-10(p.1021)

Sermon

by Pastor David Stephenson

THIS WE BELIEVE: THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS

*Hymn of Response

Marvelous Grace of Our Loving Lord
Hymnal No.465

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord,
grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,
yonder on Calvary's mount out-poured,
there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

Refrain: Grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that will pardon and cleanse within;
grace, grace, God's grace,
grace that is greater than all our sin.

Sin and despair like the sea waves cold,
threaten the soul with infinite loss;
grace that is greater, yes, grace untold,
points to the Refuge, the mighty cross. *Refrain*

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide,
What can avail to wash it away?
Look! there is flowing a crimson tide;
Whiter than snow you may be today. *Refrain*

*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.

*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

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

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.

From Everlasting

From Psalm 90

Lacy Hudson and Lisa Clow

1. O God, be - fore the moun - tains were_brought forth Or
(2. We) dwell be - neath the stars in an - cient skies; A
(3. O) God, when joy and tra - ge - dy___ col - lide, And

days of spring and sum - mer filled the earth, From ev - er - last - ing, You___ are God.
thou - sand years are no - thing in___ Your sight;
loss re - minds us life is but___ a sigh,

1. _____ 2. 3. _____ %
2. We And all our days are held with - in Your___ hands. Your

per - fect love and fa - vor have no___ end. We rest with - in the wis - dom of Your

_____ *fine* 1. _____ 2. _____
___ plan, ev - er - last - ing God. 3. O 4. O

God of light, our ways are known to You. But by Your grace You're mak - ing all things

new. So sat - is - fy us in our num - bered days; es - ta - blish ev - 'ry ef - fort while we

wait. From ev - er - last - ing, You___ are God.____

D.S. al fine

SERMON NOTES

Title: This We Believe: The Forgiveness of Sins

Text: 1 John 1:5-10

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 - Vangie Wykoff

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.

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We invite you to join us next week as Pastor Travis preaches from 1 Corinthians 15.

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, July 26

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

Sunday School - *visit cpcchatt.org for class list*

Wednesday, July 29

Youth Summer Fellowship - Front Lawn - 6:30 pm

Prayer Group - Room 101 - 7 pm

Thursday, July 30

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

Forge Camp Begins - 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Friday, July 31

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

Forge Camp - 5:30 - 8:30 pm

College & Career Game Night - Ingram's Home - 6 pm

Saturday, August 1

Forge Camp - 8:30 am - 3 pm

Sunday, August 2

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

Sunday School - *visit cpcchatt.org for class list*

High School Lock-Out Begins - Meet at CPC - 4 pm

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

OFFICER NOMINATIONS

OPEN through Tue, Aug 2

The biblical qualifications for deacons and elders are found in 1 Timothy 3.1-13 and Titus 1.5-9. Prayerfully consider men who you believe are qualified to serve. They must have been members of CPC for at least two years. Names can be submitted online at cpcchatt.org/nomination. Printed forms are available in the Welcome Center and Narthex.

YOUTH SUMMER FELLOWSHIP

Wed, Jul 29 • 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.

COLLEGE & CAREER GAME NIGHT

Fri, Jul 31 • 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:
calvin Ingram2013@gmail.com

HIGH SCHOOL LOCK-OUT

**Sun, Aug 2 - Tue, Aug 4
Gee Creek Campground**

Instead of a lock-in, we will be LOCKED-OUT! High school students are invited to join us for a 3-day outdoor adventure where we will camp for two nights, go ziplining, fish, and fellowship!

Scan QR code to sign up!



WEDDING RECEPTION

William and Evita Higgins

Sat, Aug 8 • 3 pm • SFH

The Higgins family would like to invite you to a reception to celebrate the marriage of William and Evita, who were married April 19 in Texas!



WEDDING SHOWER

Brown/Hocking

Aug 9 • 2 pm • SFH

Please join us for a wedding shower celebrating the upcoming marriage of Tavis Brown, son of Jason and Gretchen Brown, and Emma Hocking. Celebrate with us as we shower them with love, encouragement, and best wishes as they prepare to begin their life together. They are registered at Target and Amazon.

Scan QR code for their registry.



COVENANT LIFE

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Susan Close and her family on the loss of her father, John Berg, Sr.

CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

The August 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.

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who attended our "Christmas in July" sOCCEr event! We had about 75 people representing seven churches. Our teens did a fantastic job with the soccer games, and our guest speaker, Yuri Lopez, shared a powerful and inspiring testimony. We wrote notes, prayed, and packed 150 shoeboxes for children around the world.

Please continue to bring donations of school supplies, toys, games, and other shoebox items as we prepare for the November packing party. Everyone is also encouraged to pack your own shoeboxes for collection in November. If you'd like boxes to get started early, contact Judy Foster. God bless you!

~Judy and the OCC Team

NURSERY SCHEDULE - TODAY

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Stacy Collins	Annabelle Cross Brandon Cross	Christopher Collins Betta Cook Volunteer Needed	Evangeline Wykoff Priscilla Wykoff	Caleb Rimondi Ella Rimondi Tara Rimondi

NURSERY SCHEDULE - AUGUST 2

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Sherry Baierl	Ann Kistner Meghan Lewis	Thomas Blackburn Caroline Lewin Lillie Yonkofski	Lois Ann Atkinson Eleanor Gernhard	Connie Hildebrand Jim Hildebrand

MISSIONS



Jamie & Bethany
Asia

Ministry Focus:

Their vision is to use their skills in agriculture and music to restore hope through Christ to those overlooked people. Jamie partners with local farmers to implement conservation farming practices, and they both also work at an English adventure camp. Having a heart for students, they support a youth group as well as the camps held nearby.

Prayer:

- For the hearts of neighbors to be captured and transformed for Christ
- For effective agricultural outreach
- For their marriage and family
- For success in cultural, linguistic, and administrative challenges



Harvest USA

Ministry Focus:

Harvest USA brings the truth and mercy of Jesus Christ by helping individuals and families affected by sexual struggles and by providing resources that address biblical sexuality to individuals and churches. Their purpose is to partner with and equip the Church by bringing the power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ to transform the lives of those affected by sexual sin.

Prayer:

- For the men and women in small, local Bible study and support groups, and for those in the continuing online groups - Ask God to powerfully meet these ministry participants, bringing hope and healing as they seek to see and follow Jesus.

More details at cpcchatt.org/ministry/outreach

