

The Lord's Service

August 2, 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

Psalm 9.1-2

LEADER: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole
heart;

PEOPLE: I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

LEADER: I will be glad and exult in you;

PEOPLE: I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.

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 David Stephenson

*Hymn of Adoration

From All That Dwell below the Skies
Hymnal No.7

From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise;
let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land, by every tongue.

In every land begin the song;
to every land the strains belong.
In cheerful sound all voices raise
and fill the world with joyful praise.

Eternal are your mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends your word.
Your praise shall sound from shore to shore
till suns rise and set no more.

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Isaiah 53.6

LEADER: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have
turned - every one - to his own way;

PEOPLE: **And the Lord has laid on him the iniquity
of us all.**

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.**

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.

Private Confession of Sin

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 130.3-4

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
"If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, O Lord, who could stand? But with you there is forgiveness, that you may be feared."

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

It Is Well with My Soul

Hymnal No. 691

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
when sorrows like sea billows roll;
whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say,
"It is well, it is well with my soul."

Refrain: It is well with my soul;
it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
let this blest assurance control,
that Christ has regarded my helpless estate,
and has shed his own blood for my soul. *Refrain*

My sin— O the bliss of this glorious thought!—
my sin, not in part, but the whole,
is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more;
praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul! *Refrain*

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight,
the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,
the trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend;
"Even so"— it is well with my soul.
let me hide myself in thee. *Refrain*

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 12.1-6 (p.576)
read by Elder Jon Harris

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

My Tribute

By Andrae Crouch

Tracy Wright, soloist

*How can I say thanks for the things You have done for me
Things so undeserved Yet You give to prove Your love for me
The voices of a million angels could not express my gratitude
All that I am and ever hope to be I owe it all to Thee*

*To God be the glory for the things He has done
With His blood He has saved me
With His pow'r He has raised me
To God be the glory for the things He has done*

*Just let me live my life
Let it be pleasing Lord to Thee
And should I gain any praise
Let it go to Calvary*

*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 Rex Wagner

Scripture Lesson

1 Corinthians 15.12-26(p.961)

Sermon

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

THIS WE BELIEVE: RESURRECTION OF THE BODY

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.

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.

What is our hope in life and death?

Christ alone, Christ alone.

What is our only confidence?

That our souls to Him belong.

Who holds our days within His hand?

What comes, apart from His command?

And what will keep us to the end?

The love of Christ in which we stand.

Refrain: Oh, sing hallelujah!

Our hope springs eternal;

Oh, sing hallelujah!

Now and ever we confess

Christ our hope in life and death.

What truth can calm the troubled soul?

God is good, God is good.

Where is His grace and goodness known?

In our great Redeemer's blood.

Who holds our faith when fears arise?

Who stands above the stormy trial?

Who sends the waves that bring us nigh

Unto the shore? The rock of Christ. *Refrain*

Unto the grave, what will we sing?

"Christ, He lives; Christ, He lives!"

And what reward will Heaven bring?

Everlasting life with Him.

There we will rise to meet the Lord,

Then sin and death will be destroyed,

And we will feast in endless joy,

When Christ is ours forevermore. *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.

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.

The Lord's Table

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 15 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

Hymns for Distribution *Behold the Lamb (Communion Hymn)*
music on page 10

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away,
Slain for us - and we remember
The promise made that all who come in faith
Find forgiveness at the cross.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of peace
Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour Jesus Christ,
Torn for you - eat and remember
The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life
Paid the price to make us one.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of love
Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin,
Shed for you - drink and remember
He drained death's cup that all may enter in
To receive the life of God.
So we share in this bread of life,
And we drink of His sacrifice
As a sign of our bonds of grace
Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise
To respond, - and to remember
Our call to follow in the steps of Christ
As His body here on earth.
As we share in His suffering
We proclaim Christ will come again!
And we'll join in the feast of heaven
Around the table of the King.

Hymn

Amazing Grace, vs. 1-3, 6

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.

Christ Our Hope in Life and Death

Keith & Kristyn Getty, Matt Papa, and Sing!

[Verse]



1. What is our hope in life and death? Christ a-lone, Christ a-lone. What is our
2. What truth can calm the troub-led soul? God is good, God is good. Where is His
3. Un - to the grave, what will we sing? "Christ, He lives! Christ, He lives!" And what re-



on - ly con - fi-dence? That our souls to Him be - long. Who holds our days with - in His
grace and good-ness known? In our great Re-deem-er's blood. Who holds our faith when fears a
ward will Hea - ven bring? Ev - er-last - ing life with Him! There, we will rise to meet the



hand? What comes, a - part from His command? And what will keep us to the
rise? Who stands a - bove the storm-y trial? Who sends the waves that bring us
Lord, then sin and death will be destroyed. And we will feast in end-less

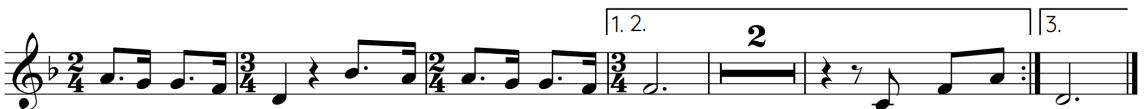


end? The love of Christ in which we stand.
nigh un - to the shore? The rock of Christ.
joy when Christ is ours for - ev - er - more.

[Refrain]



Oh, sing hal - le - lu-jah, our hope springs e - ter-nal! Oh, sing hal - le - lu-jah, now and



ev-er we con - fess: Christ our hope in life and death.

death

2. What truth can
3. Un - to the

Behold the Lamb



1. Be - hold the Lamb who bears our sins a - way, slain for us: And we re-mem-ber
2. The bod - y of our Sav - iour, Je - sus Christ, torn for you: Eat and re-mem-ber
3. The blood that cleans - es ev - 'ry stain of sin, shed for you: Drink and re-mem-ber
4. And so with thank - ful - ness and faith we rise to re-spond and to re-mem-ber



the prom - ise made that all who come in faith find for - give - ness at the cross.
the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life, paid the price to make us one.
He drained death's cup that all may en - ter in to re - ceive the life of God.
our call to fol - low in the steps of Christ as His bod - y here on earth.



So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice,
So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice,
So, we share in this Bread of Life, and we drink of His sac - ri - fice,
As we share in His suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim: Christ will come a - gain!



as a sign of our bonds of peace a-round the ta - ble of the King.
as a sign of our bonds of love a-round the ta - ble of the King.
as a sign of our bonds of grace a-round the ta - ble of the King.
And we'll join in the feast of heav'n a-round the ta - ble of the King.

Songwriters: Keith Getty, Kristyn Getty, Stuart Townend

SERMON NOTES

Title: This We Believe: Resurrection of the Body

Text: 1 Corinthians 15.12-26

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*)

CPC Officers

ELDERS: Jason Brown, Adam Cathey, Jason Coffey, Don Griffin, Jon Harris, Ken Henry, Dee Hobbs
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Eric Mantel (Clerk), Mike Mason (Chairman), Richard Mauroner, Jared McCurry, John Morrison,
Vince Pereski, Caleb Ray, Tim Sotelo, Phil Spotts, Matt Wright

Musicians

Director - Todd Gaither, Piano - Don Griffin, Gideon Rimondi, 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 Bill preaches from 1 Peter 1.

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, 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

Wednesday, August 5

Session Meeting - Room 105 - 7 pm

Prayer Group - Room 101 - 7 pm

Thursday, August 6

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

Friday, August 7

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

Saturday, August 8

Higgins Wedding Reception - SFH - 3 pm

Sunday, August 9

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am

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

Brown/Hocking Wedding Shower - SFH - 2 pm

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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

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

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

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY

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.

LAST SWIM DAY

This Thursday, **Aug 6**, is the last 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.

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

Sun, 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.



REKINDLED LADIES FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Thu, Aug 13 • 12 pm • Room 100

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 lunch.

RSVP to Joan at 423-605-967.

Contact the church office if you need more information.

OCC AUGUST COLLECTION

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

Please continue to shop for "Back To School" supplies while they are on sale! All donations should be placed on the OCC cart in the Youth Stairwell just off of the Lobby.

COVENANT LIFE

RECEPTION & SHOWER

Sun, Aug 16 • 11:00 am • SFH

Please make plans to join us for a combined reception and baby shower.

Come express your thanks to Todd Gaither, Mark Perry, and Triston Teague at a reception to honor their faithful leadership throughout this season of transition.

Also, join us in celebrating the upcoming arrival of Mark and Hannah Perry's baby boy!

The Perry's are registered at Babylist.

Scan QR code for their registry.



GAITHER BABY SHOWER

Sun, Aug 16 • 2 - 4 pm

Todd & Alyssa Gaither's Home

Please join us for a drop-in baby shower for Chris & Lydia Gaither.

They are registered at Babylist.

Scan QR code for their registry.



IMPORTANT DATES

- **Sunday, Aug 16**
No Sunday School (Semester Break)
- **Sunday, Aug 23**
Fall Sunday School semester begins
6 pm - Installation Service
- **Wednesday, Aug 26**
Fall Midweek semester begins

INSTALLATION SERVICE

Sun, Aug 23 • 6 pm • SFH

Join us as we worship the Lord and install Bill Massey as our Associate Pastor of Discipleship and Travis Hutchinson as our Assistant Pastor of Youth and Families. A time of fellowship and light snacks will follow. We look forward to seeing you there!

CHILDREN & YOUTH TEACHERS & HELPERS NEEDED:

Sunday School

- 4th grade co-teacher

Midweek

- K - 2nd grade boys teacher
- 3rd-5th grade girls co-teacher
- 3rd-5th grade boys teacher & helper
- 3 & 4 year olds class teacher
- Midweek 2 & 3 year olds class helper
- Midweek Middle School Girls teacher

Wed, Aug 5 - Required volunteer training in Schum Fellowship Hall, dinner provided.

If you would like to help, please contact:

Children's Ministry - Sara Southard at
SSouthard@cpccchatt.org

Youth Ministry - Heather Morrison at
HMorrison@cpccchatt.org

COVENANT LIFE

DIACONATE FUND

As we come to the Lord's Table and share in Christ, we also receive gifts for the Diaconate Fund as an expression of our shared life in Christ. This fund helps meet real needs in seasons of difficulty and reflects the Gospel's call to love one another in tangible ways. Please use the enclosed envelope and mark it clearly for *Diaconate Fund*.

- Chairman of the Diaconate: Mike Mason
mmason89@comcast.net
- Mercy Committee Chair: Geff Adams
mercy@cpcchatt.org

MIDWEEK KITCHEN HELP

Midweek meals are resuming **August 26!**
We are in search of **one good dishwasher** who can help this fall semester on Wednesdays during kitchen cleanup (around 6 pm).
We would love for you to join our crew!

If you are a high school student looking for volunteer hours, consider helping before or after dinner. Please contact Emily Calloway at ECalloway@cpcchatt.org.

ALLERGY-SENSITIVE BREAD FOR LORD'S SUPPER

Ingredients: gluten-free flour mix (garbanzo bean, tapioca, sorghum, fava beans, potato starch), water, canola oil, and salt.

NURSERY SCHEDULE - TODAY

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

NURSERY SCHEDULE - AUGUST 9

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Susan Helton	Annaliese Spotts Laura Spotts	Camille Ambrose Evangeline Cathey Bea Sanders	Charlotte McCurry Sarah McCurry	Adam Cathey David Gernhard

MISSIONS



Child Evangelism Fellowship Chattanooga

Ministry Focus:

The Greater Chattanooga Chapter, as part of CEF worldwide, presents the Gospel of Jesus Christ to over 11,000 children annually in schools, homes, community centers, YMCAs, churches, and many other venues.

CEF of Tennessee, Greater Chattanooga Chapter has established over 50 Clubs in elementary and middle schools, preschool facilities, community centers, and churches.

They serve in eleven area counties.

Prayer:

- For volunteers to work all the school clubs beginning soon
- For the children who attend every Good News Club and their families
- For long-term Gospel impact



Lee & Jen Leadbetter UTK RUF-International

Ministry Focus:

The Leadbetters guide the ministry to more than 1100 international students at the UT-Knoxville campus. RUF-I seeks to serve international students and scholars at UT with the love and hospitality of Christ, and to sensitively engage them with authentic Christianity in order that their lives, families, and home communities might be transformed by the Gospel.

Prayer:

- For God to use the staff and volunteer Ministry Team to love and serve students well
- For students from many diverse cultural and religious backgrounds to be drawn to Jesus as Lord and Savior
- For a strong marriage that shows the Gospel of grace

More details at cpcchatt.org/ministry/outreach

