

The Lord's Service

October 6, 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

Psalm 68.32-35

LEADER: O kingdoms of the earth, sing to God; sing
praises to the Lord, to him who rides in the
heavens, the ancient heavens;

PEOPLE: **Behold, he sends out his voice, his mighty
voice.**

LEADER: Ascribe power to God, whose majesty is over
Israel, and whose power is in the skies.
Awesome is God from His sanctuary; the God of
Israel -

PEOPLE: **He is the one who gives power and strength
to his people.
Blessed be God!**

*Hymn of Adoration

From All That Dwell below the Skies

Words: Isaac Watts (1719)

Music: DUKE STREET, John Hatton (1793)

Hymnal No. 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 Ernie Brown

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Deuteronomy 6.4-6

LEADER: Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

PEOPLE: And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *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 33.20-22

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“Our soul waits for the Lord, he is our help and our shield. For our heart is glad in him, because we trust in his holy name. Let your steadfast love, O Lord, be upon us, even as we hope in you.”

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

I Need Thee Every Hour

Text: Annie S. Hawks (1872); refrain by Robert Lowry (1872)

Music: James Ward

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God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Listen to this reading (lesson) to prepare for the sermon.

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 85 (p. 493)

read by Elder Jim Hildebrand

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Baptism

In baptism, ordinary water represents God's work in the covenant of grace to forgive sins through Spiritual washing and the blood of Jesus. It cannot save. It symbolizes that we belong to Jesus and is commanded of every Christian. A child of Christian parents may be baptized because "household" baptism of the New Testament is similar to circumcision of the Old Testament.

Sacrament of Baptism

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

Wesley and Grace Durgin present Nathaniel Paul for baptism.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Wait for the Lord

Words: adapted from Isaiah 40:31 by Mark Miller (2022)

Music: Mark Miller (2022)

Sanctuary Choir

Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength,
They shall mount up on wings like eagles.
They shall run and not be weary!
They shall walk and not faint.

I am a witness, yes I am,
that God has done great things.
I was lost and low,
But God saved me
And now I really know:
Those who wait on the Lord will live!
Those who wait for the Lord shall live!

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

TALLIS' CANON

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.

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.

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Eric Mullinax

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 5.43-48 (p. 811)

⁴³ You have heard that it was said, “You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.” ⁴⁴ But I say to you, Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, ⁴⁵ so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven. For he makes his sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust. ⁴⁶ For if you love those who love you, what reward do you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? ⁴⁷ And if you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? ⁴⁸ You therefore must be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.

Sermon

by Pastor Dan Steere

CHILDREN OF OUR FATHER

*Hymn of Response

Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak

Words: Frances R. Havergal (1872)

Music: FORT LAUDERDALE, Gail Smith (1985)

Hymnal No. 560

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;**

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.

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

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

GREATOREX

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.

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 11 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

The Goodness of Jesus

*Words and Music: Fiona Aghajanian, Harrison Druery, Michael Farren,
Jaywan Maxwell, Jonny Robinson, Rich Thompson (2018)*

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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.

SERMON NOTES

Title: Children of Our Father

Text: Matthew 5.43-48

1. Excessive
2. Extravagant
3. Exhaustive

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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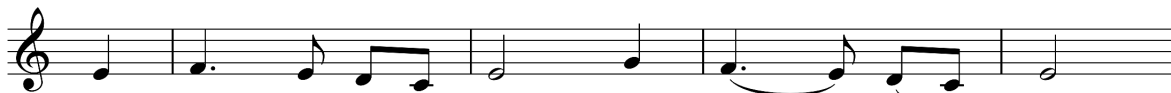
I Need Thee Every Hour



1. I need Thee eve - ry hour, most gra - cious Lord;
 2. I need Thee eve - ry hour, In joy or pain;
 3. I need Thee eve - ry hour, Most Ho - ly One;



No ten - der voice like Thine can peace af - ford.
 Come quick - ly and a - bide, or life is vain.
 O make me Thine in - deed, Thou bles - sed Son.



I need Thee eve - ry hour, Stay Thou near - by;
 I need Thee eve - ry hour, Teach me Thy will,
 I need Thee eve - ry hour, The years pass a - way;



Temp - ta - tions lose their power when Thou art nigh.
 And Thy rich pro - mis - es in me ful - fill.
 Give me the will to fol - low You each day.

Refrain



I Need Thee, Oh I need Thee, eve - ry hour I



need Thee; O bless me now, my Sa - vior, I come to Thee.

The Goodness of Jesus



1. Come, you wea - ry heart now to Je - sus. Come, you anx - ious soul now and see:
2. Come find what this world can-not of - fer. Come and find your joy here comp - lete.
3. Come and find your hope now in Je - sus; He is all he said he would be.



there is per - fect love and com - fort in your tears. Rest here in His wond - rous peace.
Taste the liv - ing wa - ter ne - ver thirst a - gain. Rest here in His wond - rous peace.
Grace is ov - er - flow - ing from the Sav - ior's heart. Rest here in His wond - rous peace.

Refrain



Oh, the good - ness the good - ness of Je - sus. Sat - is - fied, He is all that I need. May it



be, come what may, that I rest all my days in the good - ness of Je - sus.

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 120.

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Massey preaches from Matthew 6.1-8, 16-18.

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, October 6

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Lord's Supper Celebrated
Sunday School

Tuesday, October 8

Ladies' Thessalonians Study - Rooms 121-122 - 10 am
Moms of Teens Study - Room 120 - 10:30 am
Ladies' Genesis Study - Room 105 - 6:30 pm
Women's Ministry Team Mtg - Room 119 - 6:30 pm

Wednesday, October 9

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

Friday, October 11

Men's Treasury of David Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am

Sunday, October 13

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Fowler/Sims Wedding Shower - Room 100 - 2 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

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

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

BOB ELDER BURIAL SERVICE

Mon, Oct 7 • 2 pm • National Cemetery

A burial service with military honors for Bob Elder will be held at the Chattanooga National Cemetery. Bob's family invites you to attend.

FOWLER/SIMS WEDDING SHOWER

Sun, Oct 13 • 2 pm • Room 100

You are invited to a Wedding Shower for Ashley Sims and Zach Fowler, son of Jay and Bev Fowler. Zach grew up here at CPC. Let's celebrate their upcoming marriage! The couple is registered at Target and Amazon. Join us!



Ashley & Zach

OCC PREP DAY

Thurs, Oct 17 • 9:30 am • Rooms 121-122

Everyone is invited to help prepare for this year's Operation Christmas Child outreach. We will count donated items to see what is lacking, build OCC shoeboxes, and put up and decorate the OCC Christmas tree.

CHURCH PICNIC

Sun, Oct 20 • 11:30 am • Heritage Park

Join us at Heritage Park (1428 Jenkins Road) for a B.Y.O.P.B. (Bring Your Own Picnic Basket) church picnic. Drinks and desserts will be provided. Fun activities for everyone!

TVP REFORMATION SERVICE

Sun, Oct 27 • 6 pm • 1st Presbyterian Church

The TVP Reformation Service is a joint service where combined choirs and orchestras from multiple local PCA churches lead the congregation in great hymns of the faith, foundational readings, and Scripture that remind us of the significance of Reformation Day.

Nursery is available upon request. Please email Mary Campbell, 1st Presbyterian's Nursery Coordinator, by Sunday, October 20 (MC@1stpresbyterian.com).

COVENANT LIFE

REKINDLED LADIES FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Thurs, Oct 24 • 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.

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

OCC SEPTEMBER 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:

*Backpacks or bags that fold flat,
Flashlights that do not require batteries*

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

The Children's Ministry is collecting individually wrapped candy to give away during our upcoming Reformation Celebration on Wednesday, October 30. Please leave the sweet treats in the church office by Monday, October 28.

CPR CERTIFIED?

CPC's Parish Nurse Sherry Baierl is updating the list of members who are CPR certified. Please contact her at sherrybaierl@gmail.com to let her know, along with your CPR date of expiration.

JOIN THE CHOIR

The choir is beginning to learn music for our Christmas program, and it is not too late to join. No audition is required. Anyone is welcome to join. Men are especially encouraged to consider helping fill out the tenor and bass sections. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7 pm in the choir room (Room 150). Contact John Wykoff for more information (JWykoff@cpcchatt.org).

CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH

OCT 6 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Sherry Baierl

Worship - 9:15 am

Kristin & Abby Sotelo (Little Lambs)

Sherlyn Hobbs & Shirley Jones (Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Lorelei Bradley & Selah Cross (Little Lambs)

Jayda Bradley & Diane Lazor (Busy Bees)

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

We are still in need of a few volunteers to serve on Sunday mornings in the nursery this fall. Please email Bekah Gernhard to let her know when you can serve (Nursery@cpcc chatt.org).

TEACHER & HELPER NEEDED

Children's Ministry still needs a teacher and helper for the K-2nd grade Boys on Wednesdays. Email SSouthard@cpcc chatt.org.

OCT 13 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Laura Spotts

Worship - 9:15 am

Leanna Cathey & Grace Durgin (Little Lambs)

Adam & Evie Cathey & Wesley Durgin
(Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Amy Creamer & *Volunteer Needed* (Little Lambs)

Sandra Coffey & Eric Mullinax (Busy Bees)

MS COMMUNICANTS CLASS

begins Wed, Oct 9 • 5:45 pm • Room TBD

Pastor Hutchinson is leading another Communicants Class this fall. This class is specifically designed for 6-8th grade students. Come to supper at 5:30 and bring your meal with you to class.

Contact Shannon Ratliff to sign-up for this class (SRatliff@cpcc chatt.org or 423-899-5099).

MIDWEEK

UPCOMING MIDWEEK MENU



October 9: Baked Chicken with Cheesy Grits, Biscuits, Green Beans, Lemon Brownies

October 16: Sloppy Joes, Fries, Salad Bar, Coffee Blondies

October 23: Butter Chicken, Rice, Glazed Carrots, Grilled Naan Bread, Spice Cake

October 30: Pigs in a Blanket, Chips, Coleslaw, Baked Beans, Muddy Buddies

- 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 want to know Midweek meal ingredients beforehand, please email our Hospitality Coordinator, Nicky Lewin, at NLewin@cpcchatt.org.

REFORMATION CELEBRATION

Wed, Oct 30 • 6 pm • Front Lawn

Everyone is invited to our annual Reformation Celebration. Come enjoy carnival games, inflatables, candy, and prizes, while learning about key figures and events in the Reformation. A fun dinner will be served at 5:30 pm, and festivities last until 8 pm. Children should feel free to wear costumes. Invite and bring your neighbors and friends! Activities for all ages!

MIDWEEK KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS & CLEAN UP HELP

Midweek suppers are delicious, but they don't just appear on their own. If you would like to volunteer to help in the kitchen before supper, email our Hospitality Coordinator, Nicky Lewin, at NLewin@cpcchatt.org.

We always are looking for helpers to pitch in and clean up after supper.

OUTREACH

CPC MISSIONARIES WITH THIRDMILL



**Gary & Phyllis
Waldecker**

Gary serves with Third Millennium Ministries. He assists in creating and providing seminary-level education to the world for free. Thirdmill recruited Gary because of his interest, experience, education, and writings in the area of training people for ministry, especially in cross-cultural situations. He helps people who are studying the courses make the appropriate application connections to ministry and life in their area of the world. This involves various responsibilities including communicating with people all over the world, writing application guides, and taking short trips to various parts of the world for what Gary has called “covenantal training.”

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

- For Gary as he teaches an online seminary course in Spanish and creates and teaches another course that helps students write a master’s thesis
- For God’s continued, faithful supply during a decrease of their monthly support
- Praise for the explosive growth and impact that Thirdmill has experienced through the training of Christian leaders worldwide

CPC MISSIONARIES TO COSTA RICA



**Jonathan &
Maggie Hunter**

Jonathan and Maggie serve with United World Mission (UWM) in Costa Rica. They are currently in Scotland for Jonathan to complete his Ph.D. at the University of St. Andrews. This degree will help him support UWM’s Theological Education Initiative. The Hunters plan to return to Latin America to partner in training theologians and scholars. This initiative will also raise the theological analysis and thinking within the Latin American church in both the clergy and the laity. The vision is to raise both the floor and the ceiling of theological education as a long-term solution to remedial efforts. They hope to accomplish this through established seminaries and Classical Christian School startups.

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

- For their family as they live in Scotland temporarily
- For the Holy Spirit to direct our vision and plans
- For them to keep their eyes on Christ at all times and in every season

