The Lord's Service October 20, 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 104.33-34

LEADER: I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will

sing praise to my God while I have being. PEOPLE: May my meditation be pleasing to him,

for I rejoice in the Lord.

*Hymn of Adoration

Brethren, We Have Met to Worship Text: attributed to George Atkins (19th century) Music: HOLY MANNA, William Moore (1825)

Hymnal No. 381

*Invocation

by Elder Will McDaniel

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

from The Psalter Hymnal (1987)

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess to you that we have sinned against you by what we have done, and by what we have left undone.

We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength;

we have not fully loved our neighbors as ourselves; we have not always had in us the mind of Christ. You alone know how often we have grieved you by wasting your gifts,

by wandering from your ways,

by forgetting your love.

Forgive us, we pray, most merciful Father, and free us from our sin.

Renew in us the grace and strength of your Holy Spirit,

for the sake of Jesus Christ your Son, our Savior. 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. 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.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103.8-13

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

"The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him."

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn of Assurance

Arise, My Soul, Arise
Text: Charles Wesley (1742)
Music: LENOX, Louis Edson (1782)
Hymnal No. 305

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Psalm 90 (p. 496) read by Elder Jim Hildebrand

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

Be Thou My Vision

Text: Original Irish text (8th century); translated by Mary Byrne (1880-1931)

Music: Irish folk melody, arranged by John Rutter (1989)

Sanctuary Choir

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart, Be all else but naught to me, save that thou art; Be thou my best thought in the day and the night, Both waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word, Be thou ever with me, and I with thee, Lord; Be thou my great Father, and I thy true son; Be thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; Be thou my whole armor, be thou my true might; Be thou my soul's shelter, be thou my strong tower: O raise thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise; Be thou mine inheritance now and always; Be thou and thou only the first in my heart: O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure thou art.

High King of heaven, thou heaven's bright Sun, O grant me its joys after victory is won; Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall, Still be thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

*Doxology

LASST UNS EFREUEN

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 Eric Mullinax

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 6.7-15 (p. 811)

⁷ And when you pray, do not heap up empty phrases as the Gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard for their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. ⁹ Pray then like this:

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.

- "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.
- ¹⁰ Your kingdom come, your will be done,
- ¹¹ Give us this day our daily bread,
- ¹² and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
- ¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
- ¹⁴ For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, ¹⁵ but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

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.

Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

WHEN YOU PRAY

*Hymn of Response

From Every Stormy Wind That Blows
Text: Hugh Stowell (1828, 1831)
Music: RETREAT, Thomas Hastings (1842);
arranged by Rhys Thomas (1916)
Hymnal No. 631

*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, 11.1 (1647)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: Those whom God effectually called, He also freely justified:

not by infusing righteousness into them, but by pardoning their sins, and by accounting and accepting their

persons as righteous;

not for any thing wrought in them, or done

by them,

but for Christ's sake alone; not by imputing faith itself, the act of believing, or any other evangelical obedience to them, as their righteousness; but by imputing the obedience and satisfaction of Christ unto them, they receiving and resting on Him and His righteousness by faith; which faith they have not of themselves,

*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.

it is the gift of God.

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.

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: When You Pray **Text:** Matthew 6.7-15

Intro: "When you pray" Jesus says. He's assuming we've realized that we're not masters of our fate. He's assuming we've recognized our dependence on God for the next breath we take. And Jesus doesn't deny that our Father knows what we need even before we ask Him. But still, our Father likes to be asked. *Asking* strengthens our faith in our Father's goodness. And this prayer helps us do that in two basic ways. First, this is a model prayer. If we put this brief payer to memory, it will help us speak to God as our Father. But second, this prayer is an outline for the entire Christian life.

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)

CPC Officers

ELDERS: Woody Brauer, Ernie Brown, Jason Brown, Adam Cathey, Jason Coffey, Todd Gaither, Danny Grant, Jon Harris, Ken Henry, Jim Hildebrand, Dee Hobbs, Ken Hostetler, Bill Massey (Moderator), Will McDaniel, Chris Rimondi, Adam Sanders (Clerk of Session), Todd Smith, Rex Wagner, Mike Walker, Tim Warren, Tracy Wright

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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 *What Is Presbyterian?* Class that meets in Room 120.

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Massey preaches from Matthew 6.19-24.

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 20

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am No Sunday School Church Picnic - Heritage Park - 11:30 am

Tuesday, October 22

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

Wednesday, October 23

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

Thursday, October 24

Rekindled Ladies Luncheon - Room 100 - 12 pm

Friday, October 25

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

Sunday, October 27

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School TVP Reformation Hymn Festival - 1st Pres - 6 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

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

COVENANT LIFE

CHURCH PICNIC

Today • 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!

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.

PERSONAL SAFETY CLASS

Sat, Nov 16 • 9 am • Room 100

Hosted by Revolution Academy of Martial Arts, adult and high school ladies are invited to register for a 1 day self-defense class. Sign-up online at revolutionama.com; cost is \$50 per person (\$45 for 2 or more per family).

Contact Shannon Ratliff for more information: (423) 847-5513 (call/text) or email sratliff@cpcchatt.org.

SUNEETHA MISSION UPDATE

Sun, Oct 27 • 11 am • Room 100

Join us to hear long-time CPC supported missionaries Drs. Sujai & Lavanya Suneetha share about what God has been doing through their ministry and clinic (Nireekshana) in Andhra Pradesh, India.

TN VALLEY REFORMATION HYMN FESTIVAL.

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

This Reformation Hymn Festival is a joint service where combined choirs and orchestras from multiple local PCA churches will lead 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).

CHURCH WIDE WORK DAY

Sat, Nov 2 • 8:30 am

Men, women, and children are invited to a Church Work Day. A light breakfast is provided. Inside and outside projects are planned. We will aim to complete all projects by noon.

If you have any questions, please contact Brian Hanks (brhanks@epbfi.com).

COVENANT LIFE

CPC FOOD DRIVE "A GRATEFUL HARVEST"

Sun, Oct 13 - Sun, Nov 10

CPC is partnering this fall with the Chattanooga Area Food Bank. To donate to this "Grateful Harvest," bring non-perishable food items such as canned goods (vegetables, soup, proteins, fruit) and shelf-stable dry goods such as peanut butter, pasta, rice, and oatmeal to the marked boxes outside of the Fellowship Hall.

You can also make a monetary contribution to our local food bank by scanning the QR code.

Have any questions? Email Jan Griffin at jigriffin@epbfi.com or call her at 423-718-0788





LADIES' CHRISTMAS DINNER

Fri, Dec 13 • 6 pm

You will not want to miss our annual Ladies' Christmas Dinner. Be sure to mark your calendar! The Women's Ministry will share more details as registration opens in November.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Tim Gunter and his family on the loss of his daughter, Becca Choong.

LOST & FOUND

Please check the Lost & Found cabinet in the Lobby (near the water fountains). We will be donating remaining items after November 7.

CPC BLOOD DRIVE

Wed, Nov. 6 - 4:30-8:30 pm

Register online at: cpcchatt.org or scan below









CHILDREN & YOUTH

OCT 20 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Tammy Bacon

Worship - 9:15 am

Mary Rahm & Sarah Wade (Little Lambs)

Debby Gardner & Ryan Hostetler (Busy Bees)

No Sunday School - Church Picnic

CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

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

YOUTH FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

Fri, Nov 1 • 11:30 am • Jimmy John's

Youth homeschool students and families are invited for a time of fellowship at Jimmy John's (1672 Ooltewah Ringgold Rd #124 - in the new Publix plaza at the intersection of East Brainerd Road and Ooltewah Ringgold Road).

OCT 27 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Lauren Warren

Worship - 9:15 am

Emily Calloway & Sylvia Wade (Little Lambs)
Sophia Cross, Esther McEachern, &
Connie Sanders (Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Abby Knecht & Sarah McCurry (Little Lambs)

Mollie & Aubrie McClelland (Busy Bees)

HS FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Sun, Nov 3 • 12:15 pm • Room 100

All high school students are invited to a special lunch! We will have an opportunity to hear the testimonies of several church members sharing about God's faithfulness. Please RSVP to Heather Morrison by October 30.

YOUTH PARENT MEETING

Sun, Nov 10 • 12:05 pm • Room 100

Join us for a brief parent meeting discussing calendar events, curriculum, summer plans, and addressing any questions you may have.

MIDWEEK

UPCOMING MIDWEEK MENU

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

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

November 6: Chicken Stroganoff, Egg Noodles (*Nuggets for Kids*), Green Peas, Salad Bar, Cinnamon Bars

November 13: Chili & Cornbread Pie, Salad Bar, Pumpkin Chocolate Cake

- 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.

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

METANOIA PRISON MINISTRIES



The mission of Metanoia Prison Ministries is to engage, educate, and equip the Church for the discipleship, mentoring, and reintegration of prisoners. They partner with over 130 churches nationwide. The

discipleship through correspondence ministry has

grown to touch more than 1,300 prisoners each year and involves over 500 unique volunteers from reformed churches. Metanoia has a partnership with Ligonier Ministries for the evangelization and discipleship of prisoners. Ligonier sends paperback copies of The Reformation Study Bible to these students when they complete the first Metanoia Bible correspondence course. Students are also able to take additional courses through Ligonier.



Lowell Ivey, director

Please pray for this ministry in these particular ways:

- For the ministry staff regional Directors (in CA, TX, GA, SC, NC, TN)
- For wisdom as they look into ways to use prisoners' access to tablets and technology
- For God to continue to provide the financial partners

MNA DISASTER RELIEF



Mission to North America (MNA) Disaster Response provides support to PCA churches in disaster-affected communities through a network of staff and volunteer damage assessment teams, first response teams, and site managers. They recruit and mobilize volunteers, receive and distribute

supplies and equipment, channel recovery funds, and provide spiritual encouragement to affected PCA churches and their communities. They are currently deploying teams and resources to assist in the two recently hurricane ravaged areas. To learn more specific details about this ministry, particular rescue efforts, or to donate directly, visit www.pcamna.org/ministry/mna-disaster-response.

Please pray for this ministry in these particular ways:

- For increased strength, wisdom, safety, and endurance of those leading/coordinating and working these response efforts
- For a robust, sustained response to the call for volunteers to be boots on the ground in NC, TN, GA, and FL and for abundant funds and supplies to be received
- For the Lord to be made known to people living in the devastated areas; soft hearts to the Gospel, to find rest, encouragement, and strength in Him alone