

The Lord's Service

November 10, 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

2 Samuel 22.47

LEADER: The Lord lives, and blessed be my rock,

PEOPLE: **And exalted be my God,
the rock of my salvation.**

*Hymn of Adoration

Our God, Our Help in Ages Past

Text: Isaac Watts (1719)

Music: ST. ANNE (Croft), attributed to William Croft (1678-1727)

Hymnal No. 30

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 Woody Brauer

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.**

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.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

written by Henry Smith, London (16th century)

O Lord, let not your law be a cursing to our consciences.

Give us grace under this extreme and heavy burden of sin, to be fully persuaded

that you by your death have taken away all our sins, and fulfilled the law for us,

and by this means have delivered us from the curse of the law and paid our ransom.

And then, being thus fully persuaded, may we have quiet and settled hearts, and a free conscience, and glad desiring wills to forsake this wicked world.

Amen.

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.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn of Assurance

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Text: Elisha A. Hoffman (1887)

Music: SHOWALTER, Anthony J. Showalter (1887)

Hymnal No. 616

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.

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 93 (p. 498)

read by Elder Todd Gaither

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Introduction of New Members

Annagrace Asbury, Nathan & Maria England, Katrina Kroening

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.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

Lead, Kindly Light

Text: verses 1-2: John Newman (1801-1890);

verse 3: Edward Bickersteth, Jr. (1825-1906)

Music: Howard Helvey (2009)

Chancel Choir

Lead, kindly Light, amid the encircling gloom, lead Thou me on!
The night is dark, and I am far from home; lead Thou me on!
Keep Thou my feet; I do not ask to see the distant scene;
one step enough for me.

I was not ever thus, nor prayed that Thou shouldst lead me on;
I loved to choose and see my path; but now lead Thou me on!
I loved the garish day, and, spite of fears, Pride ruled my will.
Remember not past years!

Meantime, along the narrow rugged path, Thyself hast trod,
Lead, Savior; lead me home in childlike faith, home to my God.
To rest forever after earthly strife in the calm light of everlasting life.

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.

*Doxology

MORNING HYMN

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.

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 Travis Hutchinson

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 6.25-34 (p. 811)

²⁵ Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, nor about your body, what you will put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? ²⁶ Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? ²⁷ And which of you by being anxious can add a single hour to his span of life? ²⁸ And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin, ²⁹ yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. ³⁰ But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³¹ Therefore do not be anxious, saying, "What shall we eat?" or "What shall we drink?" or "What shall we wear?" ³² For the Gentiles seek after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them all. ³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be added to you.

³⁴ Therefore do not be anxious about tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble.

Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

DO NOT BE ANXIOUS

*Hymn of Response

Sometimes a Light Surprises

Text: William Cowper (1779)

Music: BENTLEY, John Hullah (1867)

Hymnal No. 621

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.

*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, 8.3 (1647)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: The Lord Jesus, in His human nature
thus united to the divine,
was sanctified and anointed with the Holy
Spirit, above measure,
having in Him all the treasures of wisdom
and knowledge;
in whom it pleased the Father that all
fullness should dwell,
to the end that, being holy, harmless,
undefiled, and full of grace and truth,
He might be thoroughly furnished to execute
the office of a Mediator and Surety.
This office He took not unto Himself,
but was called by His Father,
who put all power and judgment into His
hand
and gave Him commandment to execute the
same.

*Gloria Patri

CORONAE

Glory be to God the Father!
Glory be to God the Son!
Glory be to God the Spirit!
God Almighty, Three in One!
Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

God Commissions Us

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.

*Benediction

Postlude

SERMON NOTES

Title: Do Not Be Anxious

Text: Matthew 6.25-34

Intro: Notice how extensive our Lord's treatment of anxiety is in this part of the Sermon on the Mount. The Lord knows us! This is where we struggle. But the Lord also knows that if we are not confident of our Father's provision, it will hurt our ability to walk with Him faithfully. We won't believe that God will provide all we need to glorify Him in those places He has put us. Our witness will be compromised by the littleness of our faith. Because our God is an attentive Father who provides for the whole world, He feeds the birds of the air. He clothes the lilies of the field. Isn't He willing and able to do far more for us who are His children?

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,
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John Morrison, Vince Pereski, Caleb Ray, Phil Wade (Clerk of Diaconate), Matt Wright

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.

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We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Hutchinson preaches from Matthew 7.1-6.

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, November 10

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Youth Parent Mtg - Room 100 - 12:05 pm

Tuesday, November 12

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

Wednesday, November 13

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

Friday, November 15

Men's Treasury of David Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am
Youth Bonfire - Duane & Mindy Horton's home - 7 pm

Saturday, November 16

Ladies Personal Safety Class - Room 100 - 9 am
Collection Week Volunteer Training - Room 105 - 9:30 am

Sunday, November 17

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Diaconate Mtg - Room 105 - 12:30 pm
Arbuckle/Cook Bridal 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

COVENANT LIFE

CPC FOOD DRIVE "A GRATEFUL HARVEST"

Ends Today

Please donate to CPC's *Grateful Harvest* for the Chattanooga Area Food Bank.

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.

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.

MEN'S MINISTRY TEAM

Tues, Nov 12 • 7:30 pm • Lobby

The Men's Ministry Team are gathering to plan upcoming studies and events. If you are interested in joining the team, contact Brian Hanks (brhanks@epbfi.com) and visit the upcoming meeting.

ARBUCKLE/COOK BRIDAL SHOWER

Sun, Nov 17 • 2 pm • Room 100

You are invited to a shower for Kallie Arbuckle, daughter of Matt and Kristy Arbuckle, and Josiah Cook, son of Nathan and Betta Cook. They both grew up here at CPC.



The couple is registered at Target, Amazon, and Crate & Barrel.

Kallie & Josiah

Let's celebrate their upcoming marriage!

PRAISE, PRAYER, & FELLOWSHIP

Sun, Nov 17 • 6 pm • Room 100

Join us for a time of music, Scripture reading, and prayer. We will pray for our church during this season of transition. A time of fellowship and light snacks will follow.

COVENANT LIFE

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Wed, Nov 27 • 6:30 pm • Room 100

If you are in town during the Thanksgiving holiday, we would love for you and your family to join us for a special time of prayer, singing, and reflection on God's goodness.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sun, Dec 1 • Sanctuary

Please plan to attend our annual Congregational Meeting directly after worship. Sunday School will be canceled for this meeting. During this time, we will receive our annual report and vote on CPC's 2025 Board of Directors.

According to the church constitution, these trustees serve one-year terms alongside permanent members of the Board of Directors (filled by certain church officers) and represent the church on legal transactions.

To nominate a member in good standing to serve on the board, scan the QR Code to submit a name by online form or visit cpcchatt.org/nomination.



Paper forms are available in the Welcome Center and can be submitted in the marked box.

LADIES' CHRISTMAS DINNER

Fri, Dec 13 • 6 pm

Mark your calendar! The Women's Ministry will open registration this month.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Through October 27:

2024 Budget:	\$1,780,340.00
Giving To Date:	\$1,257,736.84
Diaconate Fund Balance:	\$46,094.90

CPC budgeted income is weighted by month and considers that a large percentage of giving is received in December. Diaconate account funds are managed by the Mercy Committee and are used to care for individuals within our church and community.

If you have questions, please contact these individuals:

- Chairman of the Diaconate: Mike Mason
mmason89@comcast.net
 - Mercy Committee Chair: Geff Adams
mercy@cpcchatt.org
 - Bookkeeper: Lauren Frye
lfrye@cpcchatt.org
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PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Please be in prayer for our committee as they serve our congregation through this process:

*Pat Barber, Jason Coffey, Jason Collins,
Gary Cosby, Justin Martin, Will McDaniel,
Susan Miller, Hannah Pittman, Lisa Wright*

Please direct any questions about the pastor search to Jason Coffey or Ken Henry.

OCC Final Countdown

Be a Collection Site Volunteer (Nov 18-25)

- We still need volunteers for November 24 & 25 of Collection Week, sign-up at the OCC table in the Narthex or contact Judy Foster (grammiesno1@live.com). These are the two busiest days!
- National Collection Week Volunteer Training is Saturday, November 16 at 9:30-10:15am in Room 105. A light breakfast is provided.
- Homemade cookies are needed for this week to encourage volunteers and thank those who drop off boxes. Contact Judy if you would like to bring some goodies.

Participate in CPC's Packing Day (Nov 23 at 9 am in Room 100)

All ages are invited to help pack. CPC still needs the following items:

bowls & spoons, combs/brushes (50), 2-4 yrs. old coloring books (25), scissors (50), items for older boys and girls (small tools for boys, stick deodorant for both, pads and non-liquid makeup for girls, etc.), LOTS of toys (etch-a-sketch, cards, yo-yos, sunglasses, matchbox cars, harmonicas, trucks, small plastic/wooden animals, etc.). We do not need stuffies or bouncy balls.

Build a Box Online (by Nov 30) or at Home (by Nov 23)

- **Online:** For \$25, you choose great items for your box and pay for the shipping (also includes the Greatest Gift booklet in the child's language). Scan the QR Code to be directed to CPC's Goal Page.
- **At Home:** Get your boxes in the Narthex or in the Lobby. Return filled shoeboxes under the Christmas tree. Be sure to pray over your child,



Please pray for Operation Christmas Child and for all of the children who will receive boxes. May the Gospel be clearly shared with hearts ready for the Good News. May we magnify Lord and exult His name together this OCC season.

**SENDING THE GOSPEL
TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH**

CHILDREN & YOUTH

NOV 10 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Leanna Cathey

Worship - 9:15 am

Lisa & Ellie Wright (Little Lambs)

Jeannie Hall & Sophie Wright (Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Jose Romero Núñez & Maria Lopez Tello
(Little Lambs)

Vangie & Bryonie Wykoff (Busy Bees)

YOUTH PARENT MEETING

Today • 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.

YOUTH BONFIRE

Fri, Nov 15 • 7 pm • D & M Horton's home

All Middle and High School students are invited to an evening of fun and fellowship! Please bring a drink or snack to share.

NOV 17 NURSERY SCHEDULE

Front Desk

Tammy Bacon

Worship - 9:15 am

Camille Ambrose, Ada & Teva Wooten
(Little Lambs)

Emily Calloway & Peyton McDaniel
(Busy Bees)

Sunday School - 11 am

Tammy Knotts & Tim Warren (Little Lambs)

Sue Spalding & Penny James (Busy Bees)

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

We have many little ones in our nursery on Sunday mornings. What a wonderful blessing! Please email Bekah Gernhard to let her know when you can serve (Nursery@cpccchat.org).

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: YOUTH DECEMBER ACTIVITIES

December is a busy month, and we don't want you to miss out on anything.
More details will follow soon!

- **MS Christmas Party** - Fri, Dec 6 at 6 pm
- **HS Progressive Dinner** - Sat, Dec 14 at 5:30 pm

MIDWEEK

UPCOMING MIDWEEK MENU



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

November 20: Sweet & Sour Chicken, Rice, Broccoli, Salad Bar, Coconut Cake

November 27: No Meal - Happy Thanksgiving!

December 4: Soup Night, Challah, Salad Bar, Bread Pudding

- 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.

THANKSGIVING MIDWEEK BREAK

Wed, Nov 27

No Midweek meal or classes are scheduled during Thanksgiving week. Instead, our annual Thanksgiving Eve Service will be held in Room 100 at 6:30 pm. We would love for you and your family to join us for a special time of prayer, singing, and reflection on God's goodness.

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

CPC MISSIONARIES TO GERMANY



**David & Eowyn
Stoddard**

David and Eowyn serve with Mission to the World (MTW) in Munich, Germany. They see this city as a place where evangelism, church-planting, and discipleship can couple with coaching/leadership development and theological education in Germany. Recently they wrote: *“We see encouraging fruit in our church plant. Two weeks ago, our church celebrated two baptisms for which we are very grateful. One of the unique ministries of this church-plant is a Sunday School class (not typical for a German church)...there are three small group Bible studies, all going through the book of Galatians this fall...The Spirit is doing something in Munich because there are unbelievers who are intrigued by what they see and hear in every service!”*

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

- For David as he serves as the MTW Europe Director - leading trainings and developing leaders
- For the establishment of new relationships and opportunities in Munich to share the gospel and help to cultivate resources for the Church in Germany
- For God to draw near to their adult children in His great love and mercy

CPC MISSIONARIES IN SOUTHERN INDIA



**Paul Billy & Shirley
Arnold**

Paul Billy and Shirley serve with Presbyterian Mission International in Bangalore, India. Their ministry focuses on helping to establish Reformed churches throughout southern India. This ministry teaches national pastors and evangelists who have no formal training. In a recent update, Paul Billy shared this excerpt: *“Praise God with us for the joy of fruit, eyes being opened to the message of hope as we preach and teach the gospel of grace in the face of aggressive persecution, interference, hardship, and living life in our fallen world. By God’s grace we are doing well and never take this for granted living in the times we do under government scrutiny and the close watch of those against the spread of the gospel in India who work aggressively to discredit and misinform our people of our land.”*

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

- For God’s gracious undergirding during trying times of opposition and persecution in India
- For their growing training partnership with ThirdMill to equip church planters well
- For repairs to a damaged wall and plumbing to be completed at Rock Bible Centre before monsoon season comes

