

# The Lord's Service

January 24, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

## God Calls Us

### Call to Worship

God sets the terms for worship because He makes worship possible through Jesus Christ. God also invites us to worship and we find several invitations to worship in Scripture.

### \*Call to Worship

Psalm 95.1-7

**LEADER:** Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

**PEOPLE:** **Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

**LEADER:** For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

**PEOPLE:** **In His hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are His also.**

**LEADER:** The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land.

**PEOPLE:** **Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!**

**LEADER:** For He is our God,

**PEOPLE:** **And we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand.**

### \*Hymn of Adoration

*Come, Christians, Join to Sing  
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### 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

Holy Father, we come this morning to rejoice before your throne because you have graciously chosen us to sing your praises. We ask in the name of your Son, our brother, Jesus Christ to receive our worship today. By the help of your Spirit help us to sing loud praises and fill the

sky with the honor and glory of your Name. For the Lord our God is good, and His praises are worthy to be sung from life unto life, even to heaven's blissful shore. Blessed are you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; the great One in Three. Amen.

## God Cleanses Us

### Call to Confession

Romans 12.1-2

**LEADER:** I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.

**PEOPLE:** **Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.**

### Corporate Confession of Sin

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against You in  
thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved You with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of Your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in Your will,  
and walk in Your ways,  
to the glory of Your name. Amen.**

### Call to Confession

As we worship God we cannot help but see how we have fallen short of His glory. His Holy Scripture reveals this to us and points our hearts towards confession.

### Corporate Confession of Sin

We sin in thought, word, and deed every week. Our prayer includes time for silent confession, but also confession as a family of individuals equally in need of God's grace.

## Assurance of Pardon

God's Holy Scripture reminds us not only of who we are as sinners, but also assures us of who we are as Christians united to Jesus in His death and resurrection.

## Assurance of Pardon

Romans 5.8-10

**LEADER:** Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:  
“But God shows His love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by His blood, much more shall we be saved by Him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by His life.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

**PEOPLE:** **And also with you!**

Hymn of Assurance

*What a Friend We Have in Jesus*  
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## Scripture Lesson

We hear Holy Scripture throughout our time in worship, but this lesson (reading), prepares us for the lesson of the sermon.

## Scripture Lesson

1 Kings 17.17-24

<sup>17</sup> After this the son of the woman, the mistress of the house, became ill. And his illness was so severe that there was no breath left in him. <sup>18</sup> And she said to Elijah, “What have you against me, O man of God? You have come to me to bring my sin to remembrance and to cause the death of my son!” <sup>19</sup> And he said to her, “Give me your son.” And he took him from her arms and carried him up into the upper chamber where he lodged, and laid him on his own bed. <sup>20</sup> And he cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, have you brought calamity even upon the widow with whom I sojourn, by killing her son?” <sup>21</sup> Then he stretched himself upon the child three times and cried to the LORD, “O LORD my God, let this child's life come into him again.” <sup>22</sup> And the LORD listened to the voice of Elijah. And the life of the child came into him again, and he revived. <sup>23</sup> And Elijah took the child and brought him down from the upper chamber into the house and

delivered him to his mother. And Elijah said, “See, your son lives.”<sup>24</sup> And the woman said to Elijah, “Now I know that you are a man of God, and that the word of the LORD in your mouth is truth.”

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

## Choral Worship

## *I Will Be a Child of Peace*

O Holy Father I will be  
A child of peace and purity;  
For well I know Thy hand will bless  
The seeker after righteousness.  
(Hagenberg, 2013 Beckenhorst Press Inc.)

## Doxology

No. 733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below: alleluia, alleluia!  
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host,  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:  
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## *Doxology*

A *doxology* is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory.

## Tithes and Offerings

## Prayer of the Church

### Adoration: (Psalm 93.1-2)

For God’s reign, His rule, His sovereignty over great and small  
For God’s perfections, His majesty, His beauty  
For God’s wisdom, His justice, His holiness  
For God’s goodness, His power, His grace

### Thanksgiving: (Psalm 107.1-3)

For our salvation full and free in Jesus  
For God’s faithful and abundant provision (materially, spiritually)  
For our church, family, friends, counselors, community

## **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 pastors to pray with and for God’s people, not just in corporate worship, but privately, as well.

Intercession: (Philippians 4.6-7)

For advance of the Gospel, God's saving health to the nations

For wisdom, skill and fortitude for those in authority, healthcare workers

For containment and reversal of COVID –19

For wisdom in how we each may manifest Christ in plenty and want

For specific requests for others, ourselves

For God's glory alone in all matters

**Scripture Lesson**

We hear and read Holy Scripture through the service, but this lesson (reading) guides the sermon.

**Scripture Lesson**

Mark 5.1-20

<sup>1</sup> They came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gerasenes. <sup>2</sup> And when Jesus had stepped out of the boat, immediately there met him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit. <sup>3</sup> He lived among the tombs. And no one could bind him anymore, not even with a chain, <sup>4</sup> for he had often been bound with shackles and chains, but he wrenched the chains apart, and he broke the shackles in pieces. No one had the strength to subdue him. <sup>5</sup> Night and day among the tombs and on the mountains he was always crying out and cutting himself with stones. <sup>6</sup> And when he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and fell down before him. <sup>7</sup> And crying out with a loud voice, he said, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I adjure you by God, do not torment me." <sup>8</sup> For he was saying to him, "Come out of the man, you unclean spirit!" <sup>9</sup> And Jesus asked him, "What is your name?" He replied, "My name is Legion, for we are many." <sup>10</sup> And he begged him earnestly not to send them out of the country. <sup>11</sup> Now a great herd of pigs was feeding there on the hillside, <sup>12</sup> and they begged him, saying, "Send us to the pigs; let us enter them." <sup>13</sup> So he gave them permission. And the unclean spirits came out and entered the pigs; and the herd, numbering about two thousand, rushed down the steep bank into the sea and

drowned in the sea. <sup>14</sup> The herdsmen fled and told it in the city and in the country. And people came to see what it was that had happened. <sup>15</sup> And they came to Jesus and saw the demon-possessed man, the one who had had the legion, sitting there, clothed and in his right mind, and they were afraid. <sup>16</sup> And those who had seen it described to them what had happened to the demon-possessed man and to the pigs. <sup>17</sup> And they began to beg Jesus to depart from their region. <sup>18</sup> As he was getting into the boat, the man who had been possessed with demons begged him that he might be with him. <sup>19</sup> And he did not permit him but said to him, “Go home to your friends and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you.” <sup>20</sup> And he went away and began to proclaim in the Decapolis how much Jesus had done for him, and everyone marveled.

Sermon

Pastor John Jones

## WHAT HE CAN DO

\*Hymn of Response

*I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord  
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Confession of Faith

*Westminster Confession of Faith, 5.1*

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe about God?

PEOPLE: **God - the great Creator of all things - upholds, directs, disposes, and governs all things, from the greatest even to the least. He exercises this most wise and holy providence according to His infallible foreknowledge and the free and unchangeable counsel of His own will, to the praise of the glory of His wisdom, power, justice, goodness, and mercy.**

### Sermon

A preacher is commanded to faithfully steward God's Holy Scripture 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.

\*Gloria Patri

No. 735

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**

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service with Holy Scripture, He sends us into our week with a Holy Scripture reminder (*a good word*) of the blessing of Christ, by God's grace, through the indwelling Spirit.

\*Benediction

Pastor Jones

Closing Greetings

Postlude

## Come, Christians, Join to Sing

1. Come, Chris - tians, join to sing    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
 2. Come, lift your hearts on high,    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
 3. Praise yet our Christ a - gain,    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!

loud praise to Christ our King;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
 let prais - es fill the sky;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
 life shall not end the strain;    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!

let all, with heart and voice,    be - fore his throne re - jice;  
 he is our Guide and Friend;    to us he'll con - de - scend;  
 on heav - en's bliss - ful shore,    his good - ness we'll a - dore,

praise is his gra - cious choice.    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
 his love shall nev - er end.    Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!  
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more,    "Al - le - lu - ia!    A - men!"



## What a Friend We Have in Jesus

F F B<sup>b</sup> F C

1. What a Friend we have in Je - sus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
 2. Have we tri - als and temp - ta - tions? Is there trou - ble an - y - where?  
 3. Are we weak and heav - y - lad - en, cum - bered with a load of care?

F B<sup>b</sup> F/C C F

What a priv - i - lege to car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer!  
 We should nev - er be dis - cour - aged: take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 Pre - cious Sav - ior, still our ref - uge—take it to the Lord in prayer!

C F B<sup>b</sup> F C<sup>7</sup> F C

O what peace we of - ten for - feit, O what need - less pain we bear,  
 Can we find a friend so faith - ful, who will all our sor - rows share?  
 Do thy friends de - spise, for - sake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!

F B<sup>b</sup> F/C C F

all be - cause we do not car - ry ev - 'ry - thing to God in prayer.  
 Je - sus knows our ev - 'ry weak - ness—take it to the Lord in prayer!  
 In his arms he'll take and shield thee; thou wilt find a so - lace there.

## I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord

1. I'm not a-shamed to own my Lord, or to de-fend his cause,  
2. Je-sus, my God! I know his name, his name is all my trust;  
3. Firm as his throne his prom-ise stands, and he can well se-cure  
4. Then will he own my worth-less name be-fore his Fa-ther's face,

main-tain the hon-or of his Word, the glo-ry of his cross.  
nor will he put my soul to shame, nor let my hope be lost.  
what I've com-mit-ted to his hands till the de-ci-sive hour.  
and in the new Je-ru-sa-lem ap-point my soul a place.

Isaac Watts, 1709

PISGAH C.M.  
Attr. to J. C. Lowry in *Kentucky Harmony*, 1817  
Arr. by Austin C. Lovelace, 1964

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# SERMON NOTES

## **Mission Statement of CPC**

*Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors by making Christ known in all of life.*

## **Vision Statement of CPC**

*Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors by reverently and winsomely proclaiming the salvation we have received from Christ, the union we enjoy with Him, and the restoration He brings to all things.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **WELCOME!** We are glad you chose to worship with us today.
- We value your child's presence and desire for him or her to remain in the worship service. If your child becomes restless during the service, a soundproof room is available in the transept area where you may sit with your child, if necessary.
- We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor Hill is preaching on **Genesis 22.1-19**.
- **TODAY - Ferrel Bridal Shower - 2-4 p.m.** - Join us for a bridal shower for Morgan Ferrel at the home of Mindy Horton. Morgan is registered at Target, Amazon, and Bed Bath & Beyond.
- **January 31 - Arvey Baby Shower - 3:00-4:30 p.m.** - Join us for a baby shower in honor of the arrival/adoption of Avery-Faith Lynn Arvey, daughter of Chris and Grace Ann Arvey at the home of Catherine Coffey. The Arveys are registered at Amazon and Target.
- **2021 Giving Envelopes** - Envelopes are available in the Narthex and will continue to be available throughout the year. They have a place for your name and any special designations for your giving. Please take as many as you would like for the year ahead or take one as you need one.
- **Operation Christmas Child Collections** - CPC is once again collecting year-round for OCC. For the remainder of January, we are collecting hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, socks, and ball caps. For your convenience, a collection box is located in the Lobby in front of the Church Office. Let's work together to make 2020 another successful year of supporting this great organization.
- The February birthday and anniversary calendar is available for pick up in the Narthex.
- **Thank You** - "I want to thank you for your support before, during, and after my recent hip surgery through your prayers, cards, meals, and calls. It meant a great deal to me knowing that I was being upheld by your prayers. It has been a difficult recovery, but I am making progress thanks to God's care through those who have come around me. With much gratitude, Judy Southworth."

## **COVID Precautions**

*Please wear a mask if you intend to read responsively and sing while standing.*

*As you exit our service today, please be sure to wear your mask  
as you exit the sanctuary.*

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## This Week at a Glance

### MONDAY, January 25

Perseverers Class Zoom Mtg. - 7:00 p.m.

### TUESDAY, January 26

Ladies' - 2 Samuel Study - Zoom - 9:30 a.m.

Ladies' - Finding God's Faithfulness - Zoom - 7 p.m.

High School Zoom Meeting - 7 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, January 27

Virtual Prayer Meeting - Zoom - 7 p.m.

Middle School Zoom Meeting - 7 p.m.

### THURSDAY, January 28

Brown Bag Lunch - Zoom - 12 Noon

Ladies - Closer Than A Sister - Zoom - 7 p.m.

### FRIDAY, January 29

Men's Proverbs Study - Zoom - 8 a.m.

### SUNDAY, January 31

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 8:30 a.m.

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 11:00 a.m.

Arvey Baby Shower - 3:00-4:30 p.m.

## Midweek Opportunities

For a schedule of Midweek opportunities, please visit [cpcchatt.org/midweek](http://cpcchatt.org/midweek). All In-Person classes have been postponed until at least February 21, but there are several Zoom and pre-recorded class options available. Contact the church office at [office@cpcchatt.org](mailto:office@cpcchatt.org) for more information.

## Nursery Schedule - Today

First Worship Service (8:15 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.)			Second Worship Service (10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)		
Infants	Crawlers	Toddlers	Infants	Crawlers	Toddlers
Susan Helton	Jay Helton	Eva Herberich	Jon Harris	Malachi Harris	Ezra Harris

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John Pearce	Diane Lazor	Anna Yonkofski	Lauren Warren	Tim Warren	Shirley Jones

# ELDERS AND DEACONS

## Active Ruling Elders

Woody Brauer, Ernie Brown, Jason Brown, Kent Brown, Jason Coffey, Jeremy Gaines, Todd Gaither, Danny Grant, Mark Griggs, Jon Harris, Ken Henry, Jim Hildebrand, Dee Hobbs, Nick Lazor, Adam Sanders (*Clerk of Session*), Tom Schreiner, Todd Smith, Jay Spalding, Mike Walker, Tracy Wright, John Wykoff

## Active Diaconate

Geff Adams, Mike Bacon, Paul Baierl, Adam Cathey, David Close, Jason Collins, Rich Denkinger, Mark Donaldson, David Gernhard, Jon Griffin, James Hall (*Clerk of Diaconate*), Vanna Ker, Steve Leach, Mike Mason (*Chairman of Diaconate*), Richard Mauroner, Doug McEachern, John Morrison, John Pearce, Caleb Ray, Chris Rimondi, Tim Sotelo, Mark Stevenson, Phil Wade

# MINISTRIES AND MISSIONARIES

African Bible University .....	Uganda	Love's Arm Outreach Ministries .....	Chattanooga
Agape Puppets .....	Global	Lee & Jennifer Leadbetter .....	RUF1 - UTK
Amani Ya Juu .....	Global	John & Kathy Lesondak .....	MTW - Slovak Republic
Paul Billy Arnold.....	PMI - India	Luke & Amanda McAuley .....	SIM - Kenya
James & Karen Ashley .....	Wycliffe - Global	Heidi Meiners .....	ICS - Budapest, Hungary
Marc & Denise Atchley.....	TEAM - Greece	Pete & Ruth Mitchell .....	MTW - France
Tom & Ann Austin .....	MTW - Global	Randy & Joan Nabors .....	MNA - Mercy
NoNo & Kate Beale .....	Isaiah 55 - Reynosa, Mexico	Andy & Kathy Napier .....	TWR - North Carolina
Mark Casson .....	MNA - Prison Ministry	PCA Agencies .....	Atlanta, Georgia
Child Evangelism Fellowship .....	Chattanooga	John Mark & Caroline Scruggs.....	RUF - UTC
Compassion International .....	Global	Jamie & Bethany Sexton .....	IDEAS - China
Chattanooga Sports Ministries.....	Chattanooga	Brian & Connie Shepson .....	MAF - USA
Chernobyl Children's Program.....	Belarus	Frank & Cindy Sindler .....	MTW - Enterprise
Choices .....	Chattanooga	Teresa Snow .....	CRU - City - Austin, Texas
Matt & Annette Cummings.....	WEC - Japan	Stepan & Alla Solodukha .....	Belarus
East Ridge Wyldlife .....	East Ridge, Tennessee	Dan & Susan Steere.....	ELI - Global
Jay & Beverly Fowler .....	FCA - East Tennessee	David & Eowyn Stoddard.....	MTW - Germany
Aubrey & Jerri Fritz .....	CRU - Chattanooga	Sujai & Lavanya Suneetha .....	Nireekshana - India
Dan & Mako Gilchrist .....	ELI - Global	Tennessee Valley Presbytery .....	Church Plants
Jean-Baptiste Gueracague .....	Harvestime - France	Third Millennium Ministries.....	Global
Haitian American Friendship Found.....	Haiti	Jeff & Heather Vaughn .....	MTW - Global
Harvest USA .....	USA	Pete Vaughn .....	Amani - Chattanooga
Andrew & Julie Halbert .....	UWM - Costa Rica	Volunteers in Medicine Clinic.....	Chattanooga
Christine Harrison.....	Wycliffe - East Africa	Gary & Phyllis Waldecker .....	Third Mill - Global
Russ & Amanda Hightower .....	LA Church Plant	Josiah & Miriam Walters.....	MTW - Chad
Hope for the Inner City .....	Chattanooga	Bruce & Barb Wannemacher.....	MTW - South Africa
Jonathan & Maggie Hunter .....	UWM - Costa Rica	Mario & Keila Xaco .....	Isaiah 55-Reynosa, Mexico



