

The Lord's Service

First Sunday of Lent | February 21, 2021

The Staged Return Commission, a commission of our deacons, agrees with health officials that wearing a mask as you stand to sing and read responsibly decreases the chances for the transmission of coronavirus.

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 100.1-5

LEADER: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

PEOPLE: **Serve the Lord with gladness!**

Come into His presence with singing!

LEADER: Know that the Lord, He is God!

It is He Who made us, and we are His;
we are His people, and the sheep of His
pasture.

PEOPLE: **Enter His gates with thanksgiving,
and His courts with praise!**

LEADER: Give thanks to Him; bless His name!

PEOPLE: **For the Lord is good;**

**His steadfast love endures forever,
and His faithfulness to all generations.**

*Hymn of Adoration

*All People That on Earth Do Dwell
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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, you who desires fellowship with your people, you who are good, merciful, and unchanging, we come to worship you today knowing you are God indeed. We come knowing without your aid, you made the entirety of creation, and without your aid, we can do no good thing. Lord, please enable us to worship by sending your

Holy Spirit in our midst. Empower us to set aside all distractions so we can praise, laud, and bless your name always, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one. Amen.

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.**

Private Confession of Sin

Choral Meditation

I Have Longed For Thy Saving Health

I have longed for Thy saving health, O Lord;

Thy law is my delight, O Lord.

O, let my soul live,

And it shall praise Thee, and Thy judgements shall help me.

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Corporate Confession of Sin

O eternal God and merciful Father, we humble ourselves before You, against Whom we have frequently and grievously sinned.

We acknowledge our waywardness, and are truly sorry for all our sins.

Nevertheless, O Lord God and gracious Father, we know that You do not desire the death of the sinner,

but rather that he should turn to You and live.

Wash us in the pure fountain of Jesus' blood, so that we may become clean and white as snow.

Inscribe Your law upon the tablets of our hearts.

And give us the desire and strength to walk in Your ways. 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.

Scripture Lesson

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

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 1.18

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.”
The peace of the Lord be with you!
PEOPLE: And also with you!

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Jeremiah 11.1-8

¹ The word that came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ² “Hear the words of this covenant, and speak to the men of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem. ³ You shall say to them, Thus says the LORD, the God of Israel: Cursed be the man who does not hear the words of this covenant ⁴ that I commanded your fathers when I brought them out of the land of Egypt, from the iron furnace, saying, Listen to my voice, and do all that I command you. So shall you be my people, and I will be your God, ⁵ that I may confirm the oath that I swore to your fathers, to give them a land flowing with milk and honey, as at this day.” Then I answered, “So be it, LORD.”

⁶ And the LORD said to me, “Proclaim all these words in the cities of Judah and in the streets of Jerusalem: Hear the words of this covenant and do them. ⁷ For I solemnly warned your fathers when I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, warning them persistently, even to this day, saying, Obey my voice. ⁸ Yet they did not obey or incline their ear, but everyone walked in the stubbornness of his evil heart. Therefore I brought upon them all the words of this covenant, which I commanded them to do, but they did not.”

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Choral Worship

Call To Lent

What wondrous love is this, O my soul, O my soul;
What wondrous love is this, O my soul!
What wondrous love is this that caused the Lord of bliss
To bear the dreadful curse for my soul, for my soul.

When I survey the wondrous cross on which the Prince of Glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss, and pour contempt on all my pride.

See, from His head, His hands, His feet, sorrow and love flow mingled down.
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown, for my soul?

(Williams)

Doxology

No. 732

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

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

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

Doxology

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

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.

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 6.1-6

¹ He went away from there and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. ² And on the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished, saying, "Where did this man get these things? What is the wisdom given to him? How are such mighty works done by his hands? ³ Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon? And are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offense at him. ⁴ And Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor, except in his hometown and among his relatives and in his own household." ⁵ And he could do no mighty work there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and healed them. ⁶ And he marveled because of their unbelief.

And he went about among the villages teaching.

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.

Sermon

Pastor John Jones

STOP

*Hymn of Response

My Worth Is Not In What I Own
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Confession of Faith

WCF 11.3

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe about Christ?

Christ, by His obedience and death, fully discharged the debt of all those who are justified. He made full satisfaction to His Father's justice on their behalf. Yet, because He was freely given by the Father for them, and because His obedience and satisfaction were freely accepted in their stead, and not for anything in them, the justification of sinners is only of free grace.

*Gloria Patri

No. 734

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

Pastor Jones

Closing Greetings

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.

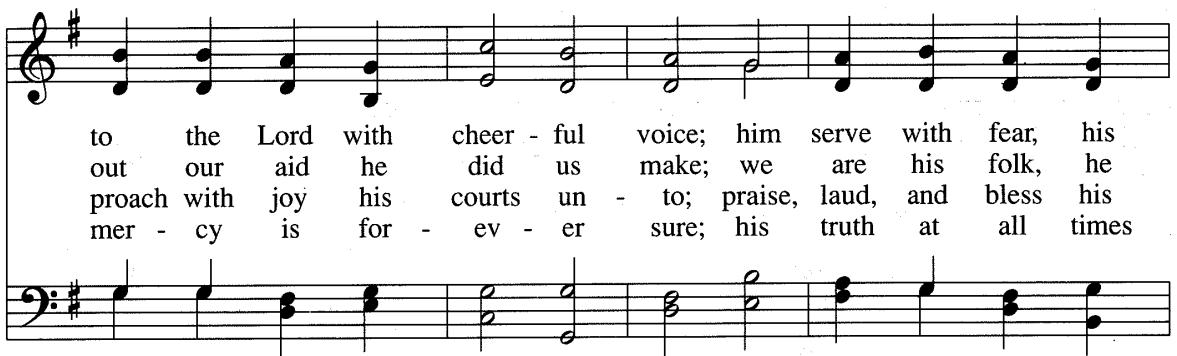
Benediction

Just as God calls us to worship at the beginning of the service 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.

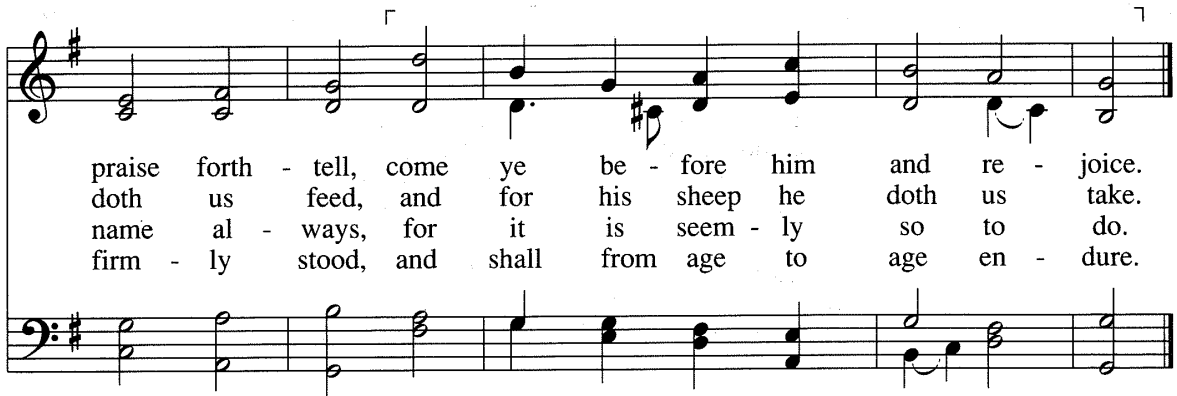
All People That on Earth Do Dwell



1. All peo - ple that on earth do dwell, sing
 2. The Lord ye know is God in - deed; with -
 3. O en - ter then his gates with praise, ap -
 4. For why? The Lord our God is good, his



to the Lord with cheer - ful voice; him serve with fear, his
 out our aid he did us make; we are his folk, he
 proach with joy his courts un - to; praise, laud, and bless his
 mer - cy is for - ev - er sure; his truth at all times



praise forth - tell, come ye be - fore him and re - joice.
 doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.
 name al - ways, for it is seem - ly so to do.
 firm - ly stood, and shall from age to age en - dure.

My Worth Is Not In What I Own



1. My worth is not in what I own; not in the strength of flesh and bone.
 2. As sum-mer flow'rs we fade and die; fame, youth, and beau-ty hur-ry by.
 3. Two won-ders here that I con-fess: My worth and my un-worth-i-ness.



But in the cost-ly wounds of love at the cross. My worth is not in skill or name;
 But life e-ter-nal calls to us at the cross. I will not boast in wealth or might,
 My va-lue fixed-my ran-som paid at the cross. 3rd TIME TO CHORUS



in win or lose, in pride or shame. But in the blood of Christ that flowed at the cross.
 or hu-man wis-dom's fleet-ing light. But I will boast in know-ing Christ at the cross.

16 CHORUS



I re-joice in my Re-deem-er-great-est trea-sure, Well-spring of my soul.



I will trust in Him, no oth-er; my soul is sa-tis-fied in Him a-lone.

SPRING MIDWEEK



In-Person Classes

Wednesdays (Beginning February 24)

7:00 p.m. - Children's Fellowship Activities (Lawn/SFH)

Parents bring your children for a variety of activities each Wednesday night throughout the Spring semester. Check the website calendar for details.

7:00 p.m. - Choir (Sanctuary) - Led by Jeremy Gaines

Sanctuary choir is a wonderful way to praise God and lead in worship. No audition or experience required. Contact Jeremy Gaines at jgaines@cpcc chatt.org for more information.

7:00 p.m. - Mother's Encouragement Group (Parlor) - Led by Connie Hildebrand

Mothers are invited to come for a time of fellowship, sharing, and encouragement. Meetings dates vary, please check the website calendar to confirm. Meetings are currently scheduled for February 24, March 10, and March 17.

7:00 p.m. - Parables Class (Frederick Room) - Led by Ken Henry & Jake Bennett

Join us for this enlightening study of the Parables of Christ.

7:00 p.m. - Youth Meeting (Youth Room/Breakout Rooms) - Led by Jeremiah Hill

Middle and High School students will be studying "The Lord's Prayer" during the Spring semester. Join us for a great time of teaching, fellowship, and fun!!

Thursdays (Beginning February 25)

10:00 a.m. - Women's 2 Samuel & 1 Chronicles by Precept Min. (FR) Led by Bev Mealor

In this study we will see how a "man after God's own heart" ascends to the throne, then descends into sin. It's a beautiful picture of how our covenant-keeping God turns a man from the worst sins to a victorious finish.

Friday (Continuing February 26)

9:00 a.m. - Men's Proverbs Bible Study (SFH) - Led by Eric Mullinax (Each Friday)

A verse by verse study of Proverbs. We seek to uncover the foundation of wisdom, which marks out the paths that make us wise, and points us to the ultimate source of all true wisdom and understanding: Jesus Christ.



Pre-Recorded Classes

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m. - Study of Hebrews - Led by Dr. Lamar Allen

A new series by Dr. Allen on the book of Hebrews." This 15 lesson series is a rather detailed chapter by chapter commentary with comments on most verses. Lessons 11-13 are specifically about faith.

Wednesday - 5:30 p.m. - Parables - Led by Dr. Lamar Allen

A new series of lessons on the Parables, each 12-15 minutes in length on the teaching parables of Jesus.

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 Jones is preaching on Mark 6.7-13.
- **TODAY - Evensong Service - 5:00 p.m.** - Evensong is a time to gather together as a body to be re-centered around the reign of Christ and prepared to go into the new week. In a setting of fellowship and devotion, evensong always includes Scripture, music, prayer, and instruction.
- **February 24 - Midweek Meal - 5:30 p.m. - SFH** - We are thrilled to welcome you all back to the Wednesday suppers. The menu for this week is: Pork Pot Pie with biscuit topping, Tossed Salad, and Brownies & Ice Cream for dessert. Please sign-up on our website to help us get an approximate count by Monday, February 22. If you forget to sign-up, don't worry, still come and join us - we will have enough.
- **February 24 - Children's Fellowship Activity "Snow Day" - Lawn/SFH - 7:00 p.m.** - Fellowship, games, fun - make plans to join us this Wednesday!!
- **February 28 - Schreiner Baby Shower - 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. - SFH** - Join us for a baby shower in honor of Micah and Hannah Schreiner's soon arriving first child. They are registered at www.babylist.com/baby-hannah-schreiner. Also, they are waiting to be surprised by the baby's gender.
- **Midweek Volunteer Opportunity** - We are in need of volunteers to assist with our Children's Ministry Midweek activities, February 24- April 28. If you are available to help one or more weeks, please contact Shannon Ratliff at SRatliff@cpcc chatt.org.
- **Part-time Help Needed** - The facilities office is looking for part-time help. Duties include assistance with mid-week activities and occasional weekend clean-up. Contact Tony Horton at thorton@cpcc chatt.org for further information.
- The March birthday and anniversary calendar is available for pick up in the Narthex.
- **Christian Sympathy** - Christian sympathy is extended to Joanna Wilson and her family on the loss of her father, Doug Wilson.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week at a Glance

MONDAY, February 22

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

TUESDAY, February 23

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

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

WEDNESDAY, February 24

Midweek Meal - SFH - 5:30 p.m.

Children's - "Snow Day" - Lawn/SFH - 7 p.m.

Middle & High School Mtg. - Yth Rm - 7 p.m.

Mother's Encouragement Grp. - Parler - 7 p.m.

Parables Co-ed Class - FR - 7 p.m.

Virtual Prayer Meeting - Zoom - 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, February 25

Women's 2 Samuel Study - FR - 10 a.m.

Women's Closer Than a Sister - Zoom - 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, February 26

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

Men's Proverbs Study - SFH - 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, February 28

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

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

Schreiner Baby Shower - SFH - 3 p.m.

Coffee Between Services

We invite you to fellowship with each other. Be aware that there is higher risk involved in eating and drinking together. If you already are at greater risk, please exercise abundant caution and good judgment.



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

CPC is once again collecting year-round for OCC. For the month of February, we are collecting small stuffed animals (like beanie boos and Ty babies), plushies, small dolls, and doll clothes. For your convenience, a collection box is located in the Lobby in front of the Church Office. Let's work together to make 2021 another successful year of supporting this great organization.

Nursery Schedule Change

Please note that nursery is available only during the 11:00 a.m. service.

Nursery Schedule - Today

Second Worship Service (10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)

Toddler Room

Lauren Warren

Nursery Schedule - February 28

Second Worship Service (10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.)

Toddler Room

Tammy Bacon

Children's Fellowship Activity



February 24 - 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Come join the fun!!

Mothers' Encouragement Group

*Wednesday, February 24,
7:00 p.m.*

The Parlor

For more information, contact
Connie Hildebrand at childebrand56@gmail.com.

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.

ELDERS AND DEACONS

Active Ruling Elders

Woody Brauer, Ernie Brown, Jason Brown, Kent Brown, Jason Coffey, Jeremy Gaines,
Todd Gaither, Danny Grant, 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	RUF - 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

