The Lord's Service May 9, 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 responsively 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 104.31-33

LEADER: May the glory of the Lord endure forever; **PEOPLE: May the Lord rejoice in His works,** LEADER: Who looks on the earth and it trembles,

PEOPLE: Who touches the mountains and they smoke!

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

PEOPLE: I will sing praise to my God while I have being.

*Hymn of Adoration

O Worship the King see Page 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

Almighty God, King of creation, we come to you this morning to worship you in the splendor of your holiness. Our most gracious and wise God, you loved us when we were unlovable, and, though we stray from you often, continue to love us and guide us with your loving hand towards your throne of mercy where you welcome us to worship you and enjoy your fellowship. Through your Spirit guide our hearts, direct our worship, let all that is in us adore you. Blessed are you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one. Amen.

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Psalm 131.1-3

LEADER: O Lord, my heart is not lifted; my eyes are not

raised too high;

PEOPLE: I do not occupy myself with things too great

and too marvelous for me.

LEADER: But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a

weaned child with its mother, like a weaned

child is my soul within me.

PEOPLE: O Israel, hope in the Lord from this time

forth and forevermore.

Corporate Confession of Sin

Gracious God,
our sins are too heavy to carry,
too real to hide, and too deep to undo.
Forgive what our lips tremble to name,
what our hearts can no longer bear,
and what has become for us
a consuming fire of judgment.
Set us free from a past that we cannot change;
open to us a future in which we can be changed;
and grant us grace to grow more and more
in your likeness and image,
through Jesus Christ,
the Light of the world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 23.6

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

"Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the

house of the Lord forever."

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

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.

Titus 2.1-8

God Consecrates Us

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 But as for you, teach what accords with sound doctrine. ² Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, selfcontrolled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. ³ Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, ⁴ and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, ⁵ to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled. ⁶ Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled ⁷ Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, ⁸ and sound speech that cannot be condemned, so that an opponent may be put to shame, having nothing evil to say

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Choral Worship

about us.

My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Caroline Hudson, harp | Allison Haley, oboe | Alayne Griffin, flute

My Shepherd will supply my need: Jehovah is His Name; In pastures fresh He makes me feed, beside the living stream. He brings my wandering spirit back when I forsake His ways, And leads me, for His mercy's sake, in paths of truth and grace.

When I walk through the shades of death Thy presence is my stay; One word of Thy supporting breath drives all my fears away. Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, doth still my table spread; My cup with blessings overflows, Thine oil anoints my head.

The sure provisions of my God attend me all my days; O may Thy house be my abode, and all my work be praise. There would I find a settled rest, while others go and come; No more a stranger, nor a guest, but like a child at home.

(Wilberg 1995 Hinshaw Music)

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 <u>Intercession</u>: (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

New Members Recognition

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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.

Scripture Lesson

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

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.

Scripture Lesson

Exodus 20.1-2, 12

¹ And God spoke all these words, saying, ²I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

¹² Honor your father and your mother, that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

Sermon

Pastor Jake Bennett

A COVENANT FAMILY

*Hymn of Response

A Christian Home see Page 9

*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, 12.1

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: All who are justified, God graciously guarantees to make partakers of the grace of adoption in and for His only Son, Jesus Christ. By this act they are taken into the number of God's children and enjoy the liberties and privileges of that relationship; they are given His name; they receive the Spirit of adoption; they have access to the throne of grace with boldness; and they are enabled to cry, "Abba, Father." Like a father, God has compassion on, protects, provides for, and chastens them; yet, they will never be cast off, but are sealed to the day of redemption, and will inherit the promises as heirs of everlasting salvation.

*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

Postlude

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.



NEW MEMBERS

D.: W1 CC	0 /2 /2020
Prisca Wykoff	8/2/2020
Andrew van der Merwe	12/13/2020
Jean Marshall	12/13/2020
Elizabeth Martin	12/13/2020
Chris, Grace Ann, Roman, and Avery Faith Arvey	12/13/2020
Brandon and Lauren Kreuze	2/21/2021
Abby Coffey	2/21/2021
Connor, Grace, Margaux, Charli, and Thomas Henry Choate	2/28/2021
Anna Bennett	2/28/2021
Joseph Cross	4/11/2021
Steve and Caroline Hudson	5/2/2021
Greg and Ann Kistner	5/2/2021
Charlotte Gernhard	5/2/2021
Eleanor Gernhard	5/2/2021



O Worship the King



- 5. Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, in you do we trust, nor find you to fail; your mercies how tender, how firm to the end, our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!
- 6. O measureless Might! Ineffable Love! While angels delight to hymn you above, the humbler creation, though feeble their lays, with true adoration shall lisp to your praise.

Based on Psalm 104 Robert Grant, 1833 Mod.

Before the Throne of God Above, vs. 1



A Christian Home



Barbara B. Hart, 1965 FINLANDIA 11.10.11.10.11.10.

Jean Sibelius, 1899; arr.

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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 7.24-30.
- TODAY Compassion Sunday Our church is participating in Compassion Sunday, a national
 event, sponsored by Compassion International, that helps us grow in our understanding of God's
 special love for the poor. Please pray about sponsoring one or more of these children in need.
 Sponsorship packets will be available TODAY through this coming Wednesday, May 12. Contact Bev
 Fowler with questions or stop by the table in the Lobby. For sponsorship information, visit http://
 www.compassion.com/covenantpresbyterian and share the link with others to promote sponsorship.
- May 13 Ladies' Sweeter Than Honey Study FR/Zoom 6:30 8:00 p.m. Join us for a May
 Term Women's Bible Study in Psalm 119. We will meet on 3 Thursdays in May (13, 20 & 27). We all
 know May can be a hectic month feel free to join us one night or all for a study in the riches of God's
 Word. No materials needed, just bring yourself and a Bible.
- May 15 Men's Ministry Kickoff Event SFH/Lawn 9 a.m. 2:30ish p.m. Men, make plans to join us for a great day. Our speaker for the breakfast portion of our kickoff event will be Herb Ward, Professor of Biblical Studies from Covenant College. Breakfast will begin at 9 a.m., followed by a few indoor/outdoor tournaments, and then we'll wrap up the day with a Wings Cook-off (be sure to check your email for details about the wing cook-off). Don't miss this great opportunity to fellowship with and encourage one another.
- May 23 Missionaries Pete and Ruth Mitchell Presentation SFH 11 a.m. Pete and Ruth serve
 with MTW (Mission to the World) as part of a church planting team in Toulouse, France. Join us for a
 mission get-together during the Sunday School hour where the Mitchell's will make a brief
 presentation of their work and answer questions.
- May 28 Home Runs and Hot Dogs Coolidge Park / AT&T Field 5:30 p.m. / 7:15 p.m. Make plans to join us for "A Night at the Ole Ball Yard". We'll meet at Coolidge Park from 5:30-7:00 p.m. for a cookout (grilled hot dogs and sausages, chips, cookies, and soft drinks, plus water and a treat for the game). Then we'll gather at AT&T field at 7:15 p.m. for the big game Chattanooga Lookouts vs. Tennessee Smokies. Be sure to stick around for the post-game fireworks. Cost: \$5 p/person (\$15 family max) includes dinner and general admission ticket. Sign-up at cpcchatt.org.

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- June 7-11 Music Camp Hey Kids, mark your calendar for Music Camp. This year's musical is Esther-ordinary Faith. Camp is \$30 per child and open to children entering Kindergarten through those entering Grade Six. Registration forms are found online at cpcchatt.org and in the Lobby. We will be social distancing and using outdoor spaces as much as possible, however masks will not be required. Family discounts and scholarships are available, but you must apply in the Lobby. Volunteers may also register by completing a form in the Lobby.
- July 19-23 SHINE Camp: A Creative Arts Camp for Girls SHINE camp is open to girls who have completed grades 3-8. They will have a change to explore their creativity through painting, paper craft, sewing, and cooking. They will also be challenged to develop new friendships as they explore God's Word. The cost for the week is \$70. You may register your child online at our website.
- **Sept. 10-12 CPC Marriage Retreat in the Smokies** Cost: \$215 (Includes 2 nights and 4 meals). Join us for the Marriage Retreat at Oak Haven Resort. Our speakers will be Ed and Margaret Killeen, marriage counselors in private practice in St. Louis. Ed is a PCA teaching elder. This year's theme is "The Power of Presence." Registration opens May 2. A \$50 deposit is due with your reservation. Questions: contact Jon or Heather at 423.503.8651 or jeh1224@aol.com.
- **Christian Sympathy** Christian sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Kendall Ray, Sr. on his recent passing.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Helpers Needed for Shine Camp!!

This summer SHINE: A Creative Arts Camp for Girls will take place July 19-23. If you are a high schooler who would like to be a small group leader for the week, or you are a women who would like to share your enthusiasm and talents in cooking, sewing, crafting, or art, we would love to have your help. Please email Rebekah Bennett at Rebekah bennett@gmail.com.

Operation Christmas Child

CPC is once again collecting year-round for OCC. For the month of May, we are collecting: bar of soap and holder, toothbrush and holder, NO TOOTHPASTE, stick deodorant (no aerosols), combs, washcloths, hairbrushes, dental floss, and minipads for older girls. For your convenience, a collection box is located in the Lobby in front of the Church Office.

This Week at a Glance

MONDAY, May 10

Perseverers' Friends - Zoom - 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 12

No Midweek Activities

Thursday, May 13

Ladies' "Sweeter Than Honey" Study - FR/ Zoom- 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 14

Men's Proverbs Study - FR - 8:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, May 15

Men's Ministry Kickoff - SFH - 9:00 a.m.

SUNDAY, May 16

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 a.m. Sunday School to follow Graduate Reception - Courtyard - 11 a.m. evensong Service - Sanctuary - 5 p.m.

Graduate Recognition

It is almost that time of year again! We are preparing to honor our graduates at CPC. Please let us know if you are graduating or have a graduate in your family. We are recognizing graduates from high school, college, trade school, masters, and doctorate programs. Please email the Church Office with the name of the graduate, degree earned, name of school, and graduation date.

Nursery Schedule - Today		Nursery Schedule - May 16		
Front Desk	Emily Calloway	Front Desk	Anna Yonkofski	
Toddler Rm. (9:15-10:45a)	Connie Hildebrand	Toddler Rm. (9:15-10:45a)	Millie Sanders	
Toddler Rm. (10:45a-12:15p)	Eva Herberich	Toddler Rm. (10:45a-12:15p)	Heidie Armao	

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS LIST

Welcome back to Sunday School! We are so eager to return to this special time together around God's Word each week. If you are unsure where the class you are wanting to visit is meeting, be sure to pick up a color coded handout in the narthex to find your way.

Children's Classes

Nursery (newborn to 36 months), led by Stacy Collins

Our children's nursery, located on the main floor at the end of the lobby hall, offers a safe and playful place for our precious CPC children. Monitored by both CPC member volunteers and paid, CPR and first aid trained workers, our Nursery is secured by an electronic check-in system and single entrance/exit.

2 & 3 Year-Olds, led by Millie Sanders, Nursery

4 Year-Old and Kindergarten Class, led by Jon Arbuckle, 2nd Floor Education Wing 1st Grade Class, led by Chris Rimondi, 2nd Floor Education Wing 2nd Grade Class, led by Tammy Knotts, 2nd Floor Education Wing 3rd Grade Class, led by Eric Mantel, 2nd Floor Education Wing 4th Grade Class, led by Adam Sanders, 2nd Floor Education Wing 5th Grade Class, led by Tony DeMarco, 2nd Floor Education Wing

Youth Classes

Middle School Boys, led by Mark Stevenson, Jeremy Armao, & Dan Vatt, O-205 (2nd Floor Office Wing)

Middle School Girls, led by Emily Calloway& Lauren Warren, O-203 (2nd Floor Office Wing) High School - Grades 9-12, led by Jeremiah Hill, O-210 (2nd Floor Office Wing)

Adult Classes

Essentials, led by Pastor John Jones, Sanctuary

An overview of Covenant Presbyterian Church, as well as the Presbyterian Church in America, designed for visitors and those considering membership. Attendance at a majority of a semester's classes is required before meeting with the Session regarding membership.

The Life of Joseph, led by Pastor Render Caines, O-100 (Schum Fellowship Hall) Ephesians, led by Dr. Lamar Allen, O-105 (Frederick Room) Foundation Builders, led by Ernie Brown & Dee Hobbs, O-207 (2nd Floor Office Wing) Ladies' Class, led by Judy Foster, E-111 (Parlor) Reformation History, led by Dr. Bill Higgins, E-104 (Perseverer's Room)

SERMON NOTES

Sermon Title: A Covenant Family

Because the LORD God has delivered us, we live in Covenant Community.

- I. A Command that comes by Grace (vv. 1-2)
- II. A Command that is Weighty (vs. 12a)
- III. A Command that contains Promise (vs. 12b)

Consider some additional texts:

Titus 2.1-8

Ephesians 6.1-4

Exodus 21.17

Leviticus 19.32

Proverbs 16.31

Process Questions:

How does God's deliverance impact our daily lives and choices?

How does God's deliverance impact our understanding of God's law?

What are the great, daily struggles of honoring our parents?

How does God's promise that is connected to our obedience motivate and challenge us?

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, 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
Agape Puppets	Global
Amani Ya Juu	Global
Paul Billy Arnold	PMI - India
James & Karen Ashley	Wycliffe - Global
Marc & Denise Atchley	TEAM - Greece
Tom & Ann Austin	MTW - Global
NoNo & Kate Beale	Isaiah 55 - Reynosa, Mexico
Mark Casson	MNA - Prison Ministry
Child Evangelism Fellowship	Chattanooga
Compassion International	Global
Chattanooga Sports Ministries	Chattanooga
Chernobyl Children's Program	Belarus
Choices	Chattanooga
Matt & Annette Cummings	WEC - Japan
East Ridge Wyldlife	East Ridge, Tennessee
Jay & Beverly Fowler	
Aubrey & Jerri Fritz	CRU - Chattanooga
Dan & Mako Gilchrist	ELI - Global
Jean-Baptiste Gueracague	Harvestime - France
Haitian American Friendship Found	Haiti
Harvest USA	
Andrew & Julie Halbert	UWM - Costa Rica
Christine Harrison	Wycliffe - East Africa
Russ & Amanda Hightower	LA Church Plant
Hope for the Inner City	
Jonathan & Maggie Hunter	UWM - Costa Rica

Love's Arm Outreach Ministries	C
Lee & Jennifer Leadbetter	
John & Kathy Lesondak	MTW - Slovak Republic
Luke & Amanda McAuley	SIM - Kenya
Heidi Meiners	
Pete & Ruth Mitchell	MTW - France
Randy & Joan Nabors	
Andy & Kathy Napier	TWR - North Carolina
PCA Agencies	Atlanta, Georgia
John Mark & Caroline Scruggs	RUF - UTC
Jamie & Bethany Sexton	IDEAS - China
Brian & Connie Shepson	MAF - USA
Frank & Cindy Sindler	
Teresa Snow	CRU - City - Austin, Texas
Stepan & Alla Solodukha	
Dan & Susan Steere	ELI - Global
David & Eowyn Stoddard	
Sujai & Lavanya Suneetha	Nireekshana - India
Tennessee Valley Presbytery	Church Plants
Third Millennium Ministries	Global
Jeff & Heather Vaughn	MTW - Global
Pete Vaughn	
Volunteers in Medicine Clinic	
Gary & Phyllis Waldecker	Third Mill - Global
Josiah & Miriam Walters	MTW - Chad
Bruce & Barb Wannemacher	
Mario & Keila Xaco	Isaiah 55-Reynosa, Mexico