The Lord's Service May 16, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

God Calls Us

*Call to Worship

Psalm 111.1-3, 1a

LEADER: Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation

- PEOPLE: Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
- LEADER: Full of splendor and majesty is His work, and His righteousness endures forever.

PEOPLE: Praise the Lord!

*Hymn of Adoration

O God beyond All Praising see Page 8-9

*Invocation

God beyond all praising, we come to worship you today. Your goodness is unmeasurable, your mercy is unfathomable, and your works are unrivaled. In your presence we are undone. Yet we are called here today to do that which is beyond our ability, but also our primary purpose – to worship you. Send your Holy Spirit in our midst so that we may worship and serve you as our King. Take our joyful chore and receive it as a sacrifice to you, deemed worthy only through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior. Blessed are you Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, ever three and ever one. Amen.

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.

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.

PEOPLE: For day and night Your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

LEADER: I acknowledged my sin to You, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,"

PEOPLE: And You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Corporate Confession of Sin

O Savior, help us. We are slow to learn, prone to forget, and weak to climb. We remain in the foothills when we should be on the heights. We are pained by our graceless hearts, our prayerless days, our poverty of love, our sloth in the heavenly race, sullied consciences, wasted hours, and unspent opportunities. We are blind to the light shining around us. Take the scales from our eyes and grind to dust our stony hearts of unbelief. Make it our highest joy to study You, to meditate on You, to gaze on You, to sit like Mary at Your feet, to lean like John on Your breast, to appeal like Peter to Your love, to count like Paul all things but dung. We believe-help our unbelief. 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

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

Wonderful Merciful Savior

Wonderful, merciful Savior, precious Redeemer and Friend; Who would have thought that a Lamb could rescue the souls of men? Oh, You rescue the souls of men.

Chorus:

You are the One that we praise; You are the One we adore. You give the healing and grace our hearts always hunger for. Oh, our hearts always hunger for.

Counselor, Comforter, Keeper, Spirit we long to embrace; You offer hope when our hearts have hopelessly lost the way, Oh, we hopelessly lost the way. (Chorus)

Almighty, infinite Father, faithfully loving Your own; Here in our weakness You find us falling before Your throne, Oh, we're falling before Your throne. (Chorus) (1989 Word Music)

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 49.5-6

⁵ And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him - for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength - ⁶ he says: "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring

Scripture Lesson

We hear Holy Scripture throughout our time in worship, but this lesson (reading), prepares us for the lesson of the sermon. back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Choral Worship

My God, Accept My Heart This Day

My God, accept my heart this day, and make it always thine, that I from thee no more may stray, no more from thee decline.

Before the cross of him who died, behold, I prostrate fall; let every sin be crucified, and Christ be all in all.

Anoint me with thy heavenly grace, and seal me for thine own; that I may see thy glorious face, and worship near thy throne.

Let every thought and work and word to thee be ever given: Then life shall be thy service, Lord, and death the gate of heaven.

All glory to the Father be, all glory to the Son, all glory, Holy Ghost, to thee, while endless ages run. (Matthew Bridges 1800-1894;, arr. Howard Helvey 2018 Beckenhorst Press)

*Doxology

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!

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

No. 733

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. <u>Thanksgiving</u>: (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

Graduate Recognition

Scripture Lesson

Mark 7.24-30

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²⁴ And from there he arose and went away to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And he entered a house and did not want anyone to know, yet he could not be hidden. ²⁵ But immediately a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit heard of him and came and fell down at his feet. ²⁶ Now the woman was a Gentile, a Syrophoenician by birth. And she begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. ²⁷ And he said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not right to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." ²⁸ But she answered him, "Yes, Lord; yet even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." ²⁹ And he said to her, "For this statement you may go your way; the demon has left your daughter." ³⁰ And she went home and found the child lying in bed and the demon gone.

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. Sermon

Pastor John Jones

NOBODY

*Hymn of Response

Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners! see Page 10

*Confession of Faith

2 Timothy 2.11b-13

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: If we have died with Him, we will also live with Him; if we endure, we will also reign with Him; if we deny Him, He also will deny us; if we are faithless, He remains faithful for He cannot deny Himself.

*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

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.

2021 GRADUATES

High School

Kallie Arbuckle	Silverdale Academy
Mandy Bacon	Chattanooga Christian
Matthew Beatty	Ringgold High School
Lucy Cleveland	STEM School Chattanooga
Ben Crago	Silverdale Academy
Daniel Fowler	Fowler Academy
Patrick Joyner	Chattanooga Christian
Heather Morrison	Collegiate High School
Courtney Swanson	Home Life Academy
Lilly Wooten	Home Life Academy

College or Graduate School

James Arnold	
Kansas Br <mark>adle</mark> y	Chattanooga State
Katie Br <mark>own</mark>	UTK
Sophia Cross	Covenant College
Jonath <mark>an Fowler</mark>	Lee University
John Jo <mark>nes V</mark>	Wheaton College
Michael Knotts	Lee University
Anderson Morris	Covenant College
Meg Orthner Griggs	UTC
Maggie Wade	Covenant College

<u>Masters</u>

John SpaldingRichmont Graduate University

O God beyond All Praising



O God beyond All Praising



"Through him then let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name." ~ Hebrews 13.15





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 Jones is preaching on Mark 7.31-37.
- TODAY Evensong Service 5:00 p.m. and meal to follow 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. Our expectation is to be sent into the new week strengthened to make Jesus known through our lives. You are invited to join us for a simple, informal meal in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00-7:00 p.m. immediately following the evensong service.
- May 20 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 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.
- 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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- June 16 Ladies' Card Ministry Parlor 7-8 p.m. Ladies, please join us to assemble birthday cards as an encouragement for our church family. These cards will be designed ahead of time, and we will meet to assemble them. We are asking for six to eight women to sign up via email with Diane Lazor at dlazor7@gmail.com and Edyne Vatt at brookriverschools@gmail.com if you would like to participate. Let us know if you have any questions.
- 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 is open now through July 4. A \$50 deposit is due with your reservation. Questions: contact Jon or Heather at 423.503.8651 or jeh1224@aol.com.

Nursery Sched	ule - Today	Nursery Schedu	ile - May 23
Front Desk	Anna Yonkofski	Front Desk	Sherry Baierl
Toddler Rm. (9:15-10:45a)	Millie Sanders	Toddler Rm. (9:15-10:45a)	Susan Helton
Toddler Rm. (10:45a-12:15p)	Heidie Armao	Toddler Rm. (10:45a-12:15p)	Diane Lazor



Pete & Ruth Mitchell MTW Church Planters in Toulouse, France

May 23 - 11 a.m. - SFH

Pete and Ruth will share a brief presentation of their work in Toulouse and will be available for questions.
French pastries (*Pain au chocolat, Profiteroles, and Cheese Gougères*) will be served for this special Mission fellowship.

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 <u>Rebekahjbennett@gmail.com</u>.

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 17 Perseverers' Friends - Zoom - 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, May 19

Youth Summer Midweek - Lawn - 6:30 p.m. Prayer Group - Pastor Mullinax's office - 7 p.m.

THURSDAY, May 20 Ladies' "Sweeter Than Honey" Study - FR/ Zoom - 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, May 21 Men's Proverbs Study - FR - 8:30 a.m.

SATURDAY, May 22 Ministry Council Mtg. - SFH - 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, May 23

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 a.m. Mitchell Presentation - SFH - 11 a.m.



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 Ofc 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)

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 UniversityUganda	Love's Arm Outreach MinistriesChattanooga
Agape PuppetsGlobal	Lee & Jennifer LeadbetterRUFI - UTK
Amani Ya JuuGlobal	John & Kathy LesondakMTW - Slovak Republic
Paul Billy ArnoldPMI - India	Luke & Amanda McAuleySIM - Kenya
James & Karen Ashley Wycliffe - Global	Heidi Meiners ICS - Budapest, Hungary
Marc & Denise Atchley TEAM - Greece	Pete & Ruth MitchellMTW - France
Tom & Ann AustinMTW - Global	Randy & Joan Nabors MNA - Mercy
NoNo & Kate BealeIsaiah 55 - Reynosa, Mexico	Andy & Kathy Napier TWR - North Carolina
Mark CassonMNA - Prison Ministry	PCA AgenciesAtlanta, Georgia
Child Evangelism FellowshipChattanooga	John Mark & Caroline ScruggsRUF - UTC
Compassion InternationalGlobal	Jamie & Bethany Sexton IDEAS - China
Chattanooga Sports MinistriesChattanooga	Brian & Connie ShepsonMAF - USA
Chernobyl Children's ProgramBelarus	Frank & Cindy SindlerMTW - Enterprise
ChoicesChattanooga	Teresa SnowCRU - City - Austin, Texas
Matt & Annette Cummings WEC - Japan	Stepan & Alla Solodukha Belarus
East Ridge WyldlifeEast Ridge, Tennessee	Dan & Susan SteereELI - Global
Jay & Beverly FowlerFCA - East Tennessee	David & Eowyn StoddardMTW - Germany
Aubrey & Jerri Fritz CRU - Chattanooga	Sujai & Lavanya Suneetha Nireekshana - India
Dan & Mako GilchristELI - Global	Tennessee Valley Presbytery Church Plants
Jean-Baptiste Gueracague Harvestime - France	Third Millennium MinistriesGlobal
Haitian American Friendship FoundHaiti	Jeff & Heather Vaughn MTW - Global
Harvest USAUSA	Pete VaughnAmani - Chattanooga
Andrew & Julie Halbert UWM - Costa Rica	Volunteers in Medicine ClinicChattanooga
Christine HarrisonWycliffe - East Africa	Gary & Phyllis Waldecker Third Mill - Global
Russ & Amanda Hightower LA Church Plant	Josiah & Miriam Walters MTW - Chad
Hope for the Inner CityChattanooga	Bruce & Barb Wannemacher MTW - South Africa
Jonathan & Maggie HunterUWM - Costa Rica	Mario & Keila Xaco Isaiah 55-Reynosa, Mexico