

# The Lord's Service

April 24, 2022

*\*Standing together is our ordinary practice,  
but you are welcome to remain seated.*

## Welcome and Announcements

### 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

1 Chronicles 16.8-11

**LEADER:** O give thanks to the Lord; call upon his name; make known his deeds among the peoples!

**PEOPLE:** **“Sing to him, sing praises to him; tell of all his wondrous works!**

**LEADER:** Glory in his holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

**PEOPLE:** **Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually!**

#### \*Hymn of Adoration

*Worship Christ, the Risen King!*  
*Hymnal No. 286*

#### 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 Adam Sanders

### 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. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

#### 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.

**PEOPLE:** I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

### Corporate Confession of Sin

found in *Book of Common Prayer* (1789)

**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.**

### Assurance of Pardon

Hebrews 10.19-22

**LEADER:** Lift up your heads and hear the Good News: “Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

**PEOPLE:** And also with you!

### Hymn of Assurance

*Jesus Paid It All*  
*Hymnal No. 308*

### Corporate Confession of Sin

We sin in thought, word, and deed every week. This prayer, sometimes individual and silent confession, is a corporate confession uniting our voices as people equally and desperately 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

James 3.13-18 (p. 1012)  
read by Elder Tracy Wright

**LEADER:** This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

## Choral Worship

## *Victimae Paschali Laudes*

Christians to the Paschal victim offer your thankful praises!

A lamb the sheep redeemeth:

Christ, who only is sinless, reconcileth sinners to the Father.

Death and life have contended in that combat stupendous:  
The prince of life, who died, reigns immortal.

Speak, Mary, declaring what thou sawest, wayfaring:

“The tomb of Christ, who is living, the glory of Jesus’ resurrection;  
Bright angels attesting, the shroud and napkin resting.  
Yea, Christ my hope is arisen;  
To Galilee he will go before you.”

Christ indeed from death is risen, our new life obtaining;  
Have mercy, victor King, ever reigning!  
Amen. Alleluia!

(Easter Hymn by Wipo of Bergundy, ca. 1000; Sung for centuries by Christians around the world at Easter)

## 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.

## 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 our selves.

## 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.

## \*Doxology

*LOBE DEN HERREN*  
*Hymnal No. 53*

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!  
All that hath life and breath,  
come now with praises before him!  
Let the amen sound from his people again;  
gladly fore’er we adore him.

## Tithes and Offerings

## Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Jake Bennett

## Scripture Lesson

Proverbs 1.1-7 (p. 527)

- <sup>1</sup> The proverbs of Solomon, son of David, king of Israel:
- <sup>2</sup> To know wisdom and instruction,  
to understand words of insight,
- <sup>3</sup> to receive instruction in wise dealing,  
in righteousness, justice, and equity;
- <sup>4</sup> to give prudence to the simple,  
knowledge and discretion to the youth—
- <sup>5</sup> Let the wise hear and increase in learning,  
and the one who understands obtain guidance,
- <sup>6</sup> to understand a proverb and a saying,  
the words of the wise and their riddles.
- <sup>7</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge;  
fools despise wisdom and instruction.

## Sermon

by Pastor John Jones

### RELATIONSHIP

## \*Hymn of Response

*Be Thou My Vision*  
*Hymnal No. 642*

## \*Confession of Faith *Westminster Larger Catechism 4 (1647)*

**LEADER:** Christian, what evidence is there that the Bible is the Word of God?

**PEOPLE:** **By its majesty and purity, by the agreement of all its parts, by its unified aim to give all glory to God, and by its illuminating power to convince and convert sinners and to comfort and build up believers unto salvation. However, only the Spirit of God, testifying by and with the Bible in our hearts, can completely persuade us that it is truly the word of God.**

## 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.

\*Gloria Patri

*MEINEKE*  
*Hymnal 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**

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

by Pastor John Jones

Postlude

# 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.*

## WELCOME

We are glad you joined us this morning!

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 preaches from Proverbs 1.8-19.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

Except for the GriefShare group, Sunday School will not meet this week as we allow our teachers a break to prepare for the summer semester. You are welcome to join us for a time of fellowship around coffee and doughnuts in the lobby following the worship service.

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## ARMAO BRIDAL SHOWER

You are invited to a Bridal Shower in honor of Jenny Armao, bride-to-be of Jonah Gaines. Jenny and Jonah have grown up at Covenant. Let's celebrate them getting married! The couple is registered at Target. Jenny also really loves World Market, but it only offers gift cards and not a wedding registry system..

The shower will be held today in the Fellowship Hall from 2-4 pm. Join us!

## THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, April 24

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am  
NO Sunday School (GriefShare still meets)  
Armao Bridal Shower - O-100 - 2 pm  
Instrumental Ensemble Rehearsal - Sanctuary - 3:30 pm  
evensong Service - Sanctuary - 5 pm

### Tuesday, April 26

Ladies' *Even Better Than Eden* Study - O-105/Zoom - 7 pm

### Wednesday, April 27

Midweek Meal - O-100 - 5:30 pm  
Youth Baked Goods Auction - O-100 - 6 pm  
Children's Festival - Front Lawn - 6:30 pm  
Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room - 7pm

### Friday, April 29

Men's Proverb Study - O-105 - 8:30 am

### Sunday, May 1

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am  
Sunday School  
Connect Facilitator Mtg - O-100 - 12 pm

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## EVENSONG

We will gather this evening for evensong at 5 pm followed by a light supper. It is a time to gather together as a body and re-center around the reign of Christ as we prepare to go into the new week.

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## MORE INFORMATION

Our church website and calendar are updated daily. Visit [cpcchatt.org](http://cpcchatt.org) for resources, activities, and information about the life of our church. Contact the church office to request access to our online directory.

# CHILDREN & YOUTH

## SUNDAY SCHOOL HELPER

We are looking for a helper for the 2-3 year old Sunday school class starting May 1. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Sara Southard at [SSouthard@cpcpchatt.org](mailto:SSouthard@cpcpchatt.org).

## MUSIC CAMP 2022

All children entering kindergarten through entering 6th grade are invited to attend Music Camp on June 6-10! Online registration is open.

Helpers are needed. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Sara Southard at [SSouthard@cpcpchatt.org](mailto:SSouthard@cpcpchatt.org).



## GRADUATE RECOGNITION

We are preparing to honor our graduates at CPC. 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.

## CAMP REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Online camp registration is open for the Edge Conference now through this **Wednesday, April 27**. This camp (June 25-29) is for Middle School students who are currently in grades 6-8.

NURSERY - TODAY	NURSERY - MAY 1
Front Desk: John Pearce	Front Desk: Tammy Bacon
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am	
Camille Ambrose Hans Anderson Debby Gardner Bea Sanders	Betta Cook (Infant Room) Tammy Knotts (Infant Room) Jay & Susan Helton (Toddler Room)
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm	
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# MIDWEEK

## April Midweek Menu



**April 27:** Carnival Night--Hot Dogs, Coleslaw, Chips, and Fruit

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## YOUTH BAKE SALE

Join us on Wednesday, April 27 at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall for a live auction of baked treats and goodies.

All proceeds go to provide scholarships for Youth Summer Camps.



## MIDWEEK DISH DUTY

Please consider helping for a couple nights of dish duty this semester. Cleaning up after our shared meal goes faster when we work together. Scan the code to visit our Midweek page and sign-up.



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## CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL

The Children's Ministry is hosting a Carnival Night on Wednesday, April 27. Dinner will be served outside beginning at 5:30 pm. We will be having hot dogs, coleslaw, chips, and fruit.

At 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall, the Youth are hosting a live auction of baked treats and goodies as a Summer Camp fundraiser.

Carnival fun is 6:30 - 8 pm! We will have inflatables, the Kona Shaved Ice truck, and more. Make plans to joins us!

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## MAY MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

All children are invited to special events in May. Each Wednesday, we will meet in the fellowship hall at 6:30 pm. Invite your friends to join us as we celebrate the end of the school year and get ready for summer!

May 4: Drumming with John

May 11: Warriors of Change

May 18: Good News Club

May 25: Water Day (Front Lawn)

# COVENANT LIFE

## CLOSED FOR SUMMER

The Clothes Closet will be closed for the summer. The many items you generously donated have been distributed throughout Chattanooga. Thank you so much! We look forward to a new collection starting this fall.

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## SHINE CAMP VOLUNTEERS

If you are a high schooler who would like to be a camp counselor for the week, or you are a woman who would like to share your enthusiasm and creative talents, we would love to have your help.

Please email Rebekah Bennett at [Rebekahjbennett@gmail.com](mailto:Rebekahjbennett@gmail.com). if you have any questions or want to volunteer.

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## CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Christian sympathy is extended to Jon Griffin and his family on the loss of his father, Doug Griffin.

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## THANK YOU

Dear church family, thank you for your prayers, cards, and thoughtfulness during Crystal's dad's last days and passing. God's love was certainly felt through you. Our family appreciates your love and prayers.

-- Jason, Crystal, Duncan, Patrick,  
Maggie, and Emmett Middleton

## LADIES TEA



Registration begins today! Ladies of all ages are invited to the Women's Ministry Tea on Saturday, May 14 at 11 am. The cost will be \$9 for adults and \$6 for girls 12 and under. Registration ends May 8.

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## MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is Saturday, May 7 at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Mike Kennamer is the featured speaker. Mike serves with Mission to North America (MNA) as the warehouse manager and disaster relief specialist for the Tennessee, Alabama, and Georgia regions.

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## THANK YOU

Dear CPC family, how blessed, comforted, and encouraged I have been by your notes, calls, texts, hugs, and prayers after losing my sister Dianne and then brother-in-law Tom soon after. I am very thankful that they both loved and served their Lord Jesus well. And even more grateful that we celebrated Jesus' death and resurrection this past week – and they got to celebrate WITH HIM in heaven. Thank you, dear ones. Christ Is Risen!

-- Judy Foster

# OUTREACH

## CPC MISSIONARIES IN ASIA



**Jamie & Bethany**

*Due to the sensitive areas in which these missionaries serve, their picture and last names are withheld.*

Jamie and Bethany have a heart for students. They work as full-time teachers in Asia, where they support a youth group and work in youth camps. As educators, they aim to be involved with youth through leadership building programs found in community centers and adventure camps to help them experience the joy in finding out who they are designed to be, apart from seeing their value only in success academically and financially.

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

- Acclimation to the Asian culture and for gains in linguistic and administrative challenges
- Praise for provision of financial and prayer support
- For health, safety, wisdom, spiritual vitality
- For the hearts of youth to be captured and transformed

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## CPC MISSIONARY IN KENYA



**Luke & Amanda  
McAuley**

Luke and Amanda McAuley and their five children were recently able to return to Kenya after being off the field during Covid. Luke is primarily involved with different medical ministry outreaches. Here is an excerpt from their most recent update letter:

“The last few months have seen our family through a lot of changes once again... We have gone from living with friends in NW Indiana to visiting and living with family to living back in our house in Kenya! The kids have weathered the drastic change in climate, culture and global changes with having to deal with COVID! God has been SO gracious with all of our travels.”

Please pray for their family and ministry in these particular ways:

- for continued financial support
- continued safety in travel and health
- effectiveness in our ministry





