

The Lord's Service

May 1, 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 16.23-25

LEADER: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

PEOPLE: Tell of his salvation from day to day.

LEADER: Declare his glory among the nations,

PEOPLE: His marvelous works among all the peoples!

LEADER: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,

PEOPLE: And he is to be feared above all gods.

*Hymn of Adoration

*I Sing the Almighty Power of God
Hymnal No. 119*

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 John Wykoff

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.

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.

Corporate Confession of Sin

adapted by Martin Luther, from 1 John 2.15

Lord God, we have indeed transgressed your commandments. We have been impatient in troubles and trials. We are unsympathetic and unmerciful. We do not help our neighbor. We are unable to resist sin. We do not tire of doing wrong. Dear Lord, pour out your grace to us and give us your Holy Spirit so that we may be obedient and keep each of your commandments. Help us to be at odds with the world and to give our hearts and souls to you. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

1 Peter 2.24

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn of Assurance

I Know That My Redeemer Lives
Hymnal No. 281

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Romans 3.9-18 (p. 940)
read by Elder Jon Harris

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

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.

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Listen to this reading (lesson) to prepare for the sermon.

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.

Scripture Lesson

We hear and read Holy Scripture throughout the service. Follow along with this text (lesson) that directs the sermon.

Choral Worship

Ave Verum Corpus

Hail, true Body,
Born of the virgin Mary,
Having truly suffered,
Sacrificed on the cross for man,
From whose pierced side
Flowed water and blood:
Be for us a foretaste
In the trial of death.

(Mozart)

*Doxology

LASST UNS ERFREUEN
Hymnal No. 733

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
alleluia, alleluia!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host,
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost;
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Tithes and Offerings

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Jake Bennett

Scripture Lesson

Proverbs 1.8-19 (p. 527)

- ⁸ Hear, my son, your father's instruction,
and forsake not your mother's teaching,
⁹ for they are a graceful garland for your head
and pendants for your neck.
¹⁰ My son, if sinners entice you,
do not consent.
¹¹ If they say, "Come with us, let us lie in wait for blood;
let us ambush the innocent without reason;
¹² like Sheol let us swallow them alive,
and whole, like those who go down to the pit;
¹³ we shall find all precious goods,
we shall fill our houses with plunder;
¹⁴ throw in your lot among us;
we will all have one purse"—

15 my son, do not walk in the way with them;
 hold back your foot from their paths,
 16 for their feet run to evil,
 and they make haste to shed blood.
 17 For in vain is a net spread
 in the sight of any bird,
 18 but these men lie in wait for their own blood;
 they set an ambush for their own lives.
 19 Such are the ways of everyone who is greedy for unjust
 gain;
 it takes away the life of its possessors.

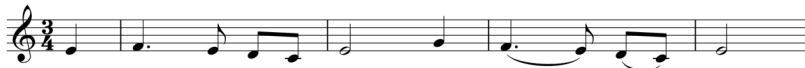
Sermon

by Pastor John Jones

A PARENT'S EXHORTATION

*Hymn of Response

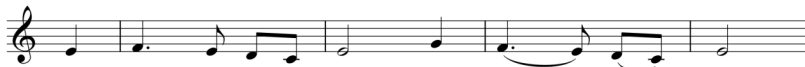
I Need Thee Every Hour



1. I need Thee eve - ry hour, most gra - cious Lord;
 2. I need Thee eve - ry hour, In joy or pain;
 3. I need Thee eve - ry hour, Most Ho - ly One;



No ten - der voice like Thine can peace af - ford.
 Come quick - ly and a - bide, or life is vain.
 O make me Thine in - deed, Thou bles - sed Son.



I need Thee eve - ry hour, Stay Thou near - by;
 I need Thee eve - ry hour, Teach me Thy will,
 I need Thee eve - ry hour, The years pass a - way;



Temp - ta - tions lose their power when Thou art nigh.
 And Thy rich pro - mis - es in me ful - fill.
 Give me the will to fol - low You each day.

Refrain



I Need Thee, Oh I need Thee, eve - ry hour I



need Thee; O bless me now, my Sa - vior, I come to Thee.

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.

The Lord's Table

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.

*Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: **I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.

From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic[†] church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Gloria Patri

CORONAE

Glory be to God the Father!

Glory be to God the Son!

Glory be to God the Spirit!

God Almighty, Three in One!

Glory, glory, While eternal ages run!

[†] "catholic" -- universal

Instruction

Please approach using the outer aisles and return using the center aisle. Juice is served in clear cups. Wine is served in tinted cups. Gluten free bread is available next to the tray.

Sursum Corda

LEADER: Lift up your hearts.

PEOPLE: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

LEADER: Let us give thanks to the Lord.

PEOPLE: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Sursum Corda

We don't fixate on the table, bread, and wine, but lift our hearts to Jesus in the glory of His Father.

The Institution and Prayer

Hymn for Distribution *At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing*
Hymnal No. 420

Hymn *Amazing Grace, vs. 1-3, 6*

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed!

Thro' many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

*When we've been there ten thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we've first begun.

God Commissions Us

by Pastor Jake Bennett

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

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 1.20-33.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The next Men's Breakfast is this Saturday, May 7 at 8:30 am in the Fellowship Hall. Mike Kenamer 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.

UNCLAIMED ITEMS

All Lost & Found and Swap items have been moved to the Fellowship Hall to be claimed during the next couple of weeks. After Sunday, May 8, all unclaimed items will be donated.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, May 1

Lord's Supper Celebrated
Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Connect Facilitator Mtg - O-100 - 12 pm

Tuesday, May 3

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

Wednesday, May 4

Midweek Meal - O-100 - 5:30 pm
Children's Activity - O-100 - 6:30 pm
Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room - 7pm
Session Mtg - O-105 - 8:15 pm

Friday, May 6

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

Saturday, May 7

Men's Breakfast - O-100 - 8:30 am

Sunday, May 8

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School

MORE INFORMATION

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

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact the office at office@cpcchatt.org to make an appointment.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children's classes resume today without any changes.

We are urgently looking for a helper for the 2-3 year-old Sunday school class to begin as soon as possible. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Sara Southard at SSouthard@cpcchatt.org.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Middle and High School classes resume today without any changes.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

GriefShare continues to meet in E-102 and is led by Eric and Boo Mullinax (ending June 26).

The Perseverer's Class is meeting in O-105 (Frederick Room) and is led by Lamar Allen and Gary Cosby. They will be continuing the study on the "**Sermon on the Mount.**"

The **Essentials Class** is designed for visitors and new folks at CPC to get to know us and what we believe. It will meet in Sanctuary following worship and is led by John Jones.

A **Study on James** is meeting in O-201 and is being led by Jon Harris.

An open **Fellowship Time** will be available in O-100 (Fellowship Hall). This is an informal time and has no formal leader.

The remaining Sunday School classes will stay the same:

- **Immanuel** (E-104), led by Ken Henry
- **Modern Church History** (O-207), led by Ernie Brown and Dee Hobbs
- **Elijah-ladies only** (E-111), led by Judy Foster, Christine Morrison, and Lois Crenshaw

CHILDREN & YOUTH

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@cpcpchat.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.

SENIOR RECEPTION

In the Courtyard following worship on May 22, we will honor the graduating high school seniors with a reception. All adults, seniors' families, and fellow high school students are invited to stop and congratulate them on their hard work.

NURSERY - TODAY	NURSERY - MAY 8
Front Desk: Tammy Bacon	Front Desk: Bekah Gernhard
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am	
Betta Cook (Infant Room) Tammy Knotts (Infant Room) Shirley Jones (Toddler Room) Eric Mullinax (Toddler Room)	Grace Doran (Infant Room) Sherlyn Hobbs (Infant Room) Becky & Carson Pearce (Toddler Room)
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm	
Stacy Collins (Infant Room) Catherine Coffey (Toddler Room)	Eva Herberich (Infant Room) David Gernhard (Toddler Room)

MIDWEEK

May Midweek Menu



May 4: Taco Salad and Sopapillas

May 11: Baked Sliders, Pasta Salad, and Strawberry Shortcake

May 18: Grilled Chicken Caesar Salad (Fries and Nuggets for kids) and Brownies with Ice Cream

May 25: Barbecue Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Asian Coleslaw, and Watermelon

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.



MAY MIDWEEK ACTIVITIES

Now that Children's and Youth Midweek classes have ended for the semester, each Wednesday evening in May will have special children's events from 6:30-8 pm. Youth will be helping during these events. The Nursery will not be open, so we are asking parents of children four years old and under to be present with their children at these activities.

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.

LADIES TEA

Register online or in-person 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.



Save the date for the next Conversations event: Saturday, May 21 at 9 am-1:30 pm. More information and registration will be coming soon.

Conversations is a discipleship ministry intended to provide an opportunity to hear biblical wisdom and share stories of God's faithfulness in a group setting. In the midst of our busy lives it can be hard to find the time to think and talk with others about the challenges that we face on a daily basis.

OCC MAY COLLECTION

We are collecting these items this month:

- Bar of soap and holder
- Toothbrush and holder (*NO Toothpaste*)
- Solid deodorant (*NO Aerosols*)
- Washcloths
- Hairbrushes or combs
- Dental floss
- Minipads for older girls

The collection cart is in the Admin Hallway.

SHINE CAMP VOLUNTEERS

If you are a woman who would like to share your enthusiasm and creative talents with girls, we would love to have your help. Please email Rebekah Bennett at Rebekahjbennett@gmail.com. if you have any questions or want to volunteer.

BABY SHOWER



You are invited to a Baby Shower for Erica Hausler. Erica is Bill and Sandy Coffey's daughter. Let's celebrate the soon arrival of Rudy and Erica's first baby! Erica is registered on Amazon's Baby Registry and on Buy Buy Baby.



The shower will be held Saturday, May 21 in E-104 (Perseverers Room) from 2:30-4:30 pm.

CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

The May birthday/anniversary calendar is now available outside the Church Office.

OUTREACH

CPC MISSIONARIES IN COSTA RICA



Andrew & Julie Halbert

In 2013, Andrew and Julie Halbert confirmed a call from United World Mission after a vision trip to Costa Rica. They both sensed that ESEPA Seminary and San Jose were exactly where the Lord wanted them and they arrived to serve in June 2013. Andrew is now the Director of the seminary, equipping pastors and lay leaders for the work the Lord has called them to. He continues to teach various classes during each semester. Julie is currently working on language acquisition.

Additionally, she tries to develop relationships with women in the neighborhood that will provide opportunities for conversation. She is

also busy at home being a full-time mother to Ann Renee and Ryan.

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

- For God's provisions in our support raising efforts
- Pray for good health, a continuous struggle
- Pray for Andrew's adjustment to a new degree program and dissertation topic
- Pray for Julie's teaching of weekly Refit classes and for the encouragement of the ladies involved

CPC MISSIONARY WITH TRANS WORLD RADIO



Andy & Kathy Napier

Andy and Kathy Napier are working out of the Trans World Radio (TWR) office in Cary, North Carolina where Andy hosts and produces *Footsteps* — a daily 2-minute radio program which airs on more than 180 stations in the United States. Kathy works as an accounts payable specialist in TWR's finance department. Their oldest son, Sam, serves in the maintenance department while their youngest son, John Edward, recently graduated from high school.

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

- Continued strong support from faithful ministry partners
- A co-worker of ours has been diagnosed with a rare form of lung cancer
- Andy has a number of upcoming work trips. Please pray for safety as he travels and successful campaigns. Pray for Kathy and the boys while he's away.

