

The Lord's Service

September 18, 2022

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

Prelude

I Call to You, Lord Jesus Christ

J.S Bach, 1714

Vangie Wykoff, organist

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

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

Psalm 9.1-2

LEADER: I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart;

PEOPLE: **I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.**

LEADER: I will be glad and exult in you;

PEOPLE: **I will sing praise to your name, O Most High.**

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.

*Hymn of Adoration *Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee*

Words: Francis Scott Key, 1817

Music: RIPLEY (Gregorian chant), arranged Lowell Mason, 1839

Hymnal No. 80

*Invocation

by Elder Nick Lazor

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.

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.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *Scottish Psalter*, Psalm 51, Edinburgh (1595)

Father of all mercies, who delights not in the death of a sinner, have compassion upon us, and wash us from all our sins that we have committed against your holy majesty since the time we first came into this world. Create in us a clean heart, and strengthen us continually with the power of your Holy Spirit that we, being truly consecrated to your service, may set forth your praises, through Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 5.17

**LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“... if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.”
The peace of the Lord be with you!**

PEOPLE: And also with you!

*Hymn of Assurance

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Words: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

Music: William M. Runyan, 1923

Hymnal No. 32

Corporate Confession of Sin

We sin in thought, word, and deed every week. This prayer begins with silent confession, followed by corporate confession as people equally 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.

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 ourselves.

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.

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.

Scripture Lesson

Galatians 3.1-9 (p. 973)
read by Elder Tracy Wright

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Lead Me, Lord
Sanctuary Choir*

Lead me, Lord, in thy righteousness,
Make my way plain before my face.
For it is thou, Lord, only,
That makest me dwell in safety.

Teach me, Lord, truly how to live,
That I may come to know thee,
And in thy presence serve thee with gladness,
And sing songs of praise to thy glory.

(Words and Music by Samuel Wesley, 1810-1876, arranged by John Wykoff)

*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!

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor John Jones

Scripture Lesson

Proverbs 11.23-31 (p. 535)

²³ The desire of the righteous ends only in good,
the expectation of the wicked in wrath.

²⁴ One gives freely, yet grows all the richer;
another withholds what he should give, and only
suffers want.

- ²⁵ Whoever brings blessing will be enriched,
and one who waters will himself be watered.
- ²⁶ The people curse him who holds back grain,
but a blessing is on the head of him who sells it.
- ²⁷ Whoever diligently seeks good seeks favor,
but evil comes to him who searches for it.
- ²⁸ Whoever trusts in his riches will fall,
but the righteous will flourish like a green leaf.
- ²⁹ Whoever troubles his own household will inherit the
wind,
and the fool will be servant to the wise of heart.
- ³⁰ The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life,
and whoever captures souls is wise.
- ³¹ If the righteous is repaid on earth,
how much more the wicked and the sinner!

Sermon

by Pastor John Jones

DESIRES AND FULFILLMENT, GAIN OR LOSS

*Hymn of Response

I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord

Words: Isaac Watts, 1709

Music: PISGAH, attributed to J. C. Lowry, 1817;

arranged by Austin C. Lovelace, 1964

Hymnal No. 505

*Confession of Faith

Nicene Creed (second half)
(A.D. 381)

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: **We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of Life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son;
who with the Father and the Son
together is worshiped and glorified;
who spoke by the prophets;
and we believe in one holy catholic[†] and
apostolic church;
we acknowledge one baptism for the
remission of sins;**

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.

[†] "catholic" -- universal

and we look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
Amen.

*Gloria Patri

GREATOREX

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

by Pastor John Jones

Postlude

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.

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!

Join us in the lobby for coffee and fellowship before Sunday school. If you are visiting or are newer to Covenant, there is a class designed for you that meets in the Sanctuary.

We invite you to join us next week. Dr. Rob Rayburn will be preaching.

For those with children:

Here at Covenant your children are welcome and wanted in worship! Understandably, little ones sometimes have a hard time sitting quietly through a service. We have bulletins designed for preschool and elementary ages that are available in the narthex (don't forget the crayons!). A window-enclosed Family Worship Room (on the right side of the sanctuary) is also available for you to use. It is a place for children to be a little louder and more active. You will find resources there to help your children know how to participate in a worship service. A family restroom and a nursing mothers' room are located in the back of this room. A nursery is also available for children 2 years-old and under. Any deacon can direct you there.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 18

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
Deacons Mtg - E-104 - 12:30 pm

Tuesday, September 20

Ladies' Becoming a Woman of Grace Study -
O-105 - 7 pm

Wednesday, September 21

Midweek Meal - O-100 - 5:30 pm
Children, Youth, & Adult Midweek Classes -
see website for class list
Session Mtg - O-105 - 8:15 pm

Thursday, September 22

Ladies' Timothy and Titus Study - O-105 - 10 am
Family Board Game Night - O-210 - 5:30 pm

Friday, September 23

Men's Proverb Study - O-105 - 8:30 am
Five Love Languages of Teens Study - E-111 -
10 am

Saturday, September 24

Youth Game Night - O-100 and O-210 - 7 pm

Sunday, September 25

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
evensong Service - Sanctuary - 5 pm

MORE INFORMATION

Our church website and calendar are updated daily. Visit cpchatt.org for resources, activities, and information about the life of our church.

Contact the church office to request access to our online directory.

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

COVENANT LIFE

CONNECT GROUPS

Connect groups are restarting to meet regularly! We hope that you will consider being a part of this shepherding ministry.

If you are interested, please fill out a Connect form on our website at cpcchatt.org/connect.

If you have any questions please reach out to Pastor Jake Bennett or Jon Harris.

SEMINAR REGISTRATION OPEN

All ladies high school age and older are invited to join us for our “Stir Up One Another” Fall Seminar on Saturday, October 8. Special guest Stephanie Formenti will lead us in this active, hands-on study time. Stephanie is currently the Chapel Associate for Discipleship at Covenant College.

We will begin at 9 am with a light breakfast and continue until 3 pm learning more about loving, even craving, God’s Word. Registration begins TODAY in the lobby and online. Cost is \$10 and includes all materials, light breakfast, yummy lunch, and fellowship time.

EVENSONG

Our next evensong service is Sunday, September 25 at 5 pm. Dr. Robert Rayburn will be speaking. The focus of this time together will be *Hymns Every Christian Should Know*. It will be 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. A light supper will follow after the service.

PARENTS OF TEENS STUDY

Tracy Horton is leading a study of *The 5 Love Languages of Teenagers*. Socially, mentally, and spiritually, teenagers face a variety of pressures and stresses each day. Despite these pressures, it is still parents who can influence teens the most.

This study meets on Fridays at 10 am in E-111. Please contact Heather Morrison if you have any questions.



Do you love to “Pass Go and collect \$200?” Or maybe you like to hear others cry, “You sank my battleship!” If you do, we are hosting a Family Board Game Night for all who are interested.

Join us for board games and pizza--the fun begins at 5:30 pm! It will be an opportunity to learn new, group board games together and meet new friends. Bring your favorite board game or just show up and join us!

CONGRATULATIONS

The rose placed on the chancel is in honor of the birth of Lydia Margaret Durgin daughter of Wesley and Grace Durgin, born September 12.

MIDWEEK

SUGGESTED DONATION

Our Midweek Meal is a great way to connect during the week. The cost per meal is suggested only. If you don't have the full amount, don't worry. Pay what you can. If you are able to donate more as a blessing to others, it is appreciated. Visitors enjoy a free meal.

- Adult: \$6 / Child (5-11): \$4
- Family Max: \$20
- Cash or Check (Put in Cash Box)
- Pay Online (cpcchatt.org/give or scan QR code)



MIDWEEK MEAL INGREDIENTS

In an effort to simplify Wednesday evening meal prep for our kitchen staff and avoid possible allergic reactions, we are asking those with allergy issues or dietary restrictions who wish to know the ingredients of meals beforehand to sign up for a weekly email. This email will include the ingredients used in preparing the meal and if any adaptations are available (gluten free, dairy free, etc.).

Even if a particular meal doesn't work for you, please feel free to bring a meal that does and join us for fellowship. If you wish to be added to this list, please email Nicky Lewin, our Kitchen Services Coordinator, at NLewin@cpcchatt.org.



September 21: Sesame Noodles with Grilled Chicken, Broccoli, Salad Bar, Brownies & Ice Cream

September 28: Stromboli with Marinara, Creamed Spinach, Italian Salad Bar, Fruit Crumble Bars

CHILDREN & YOUTH

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

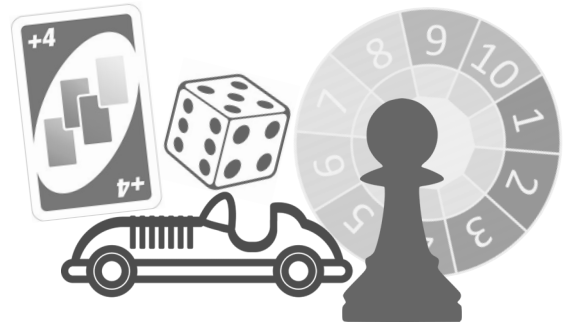
Consider volunteering for nursery duty. Contact Bekah Gernhard at nursery@cpccchatt.org and let her know when you are available to serve.

COLLEGE STUDENT ADDRESS

If you have a student who is in college or a technical school, would you please send us their college address or let us know if they live at home? We are updating our list of college students and would love to make sure that their address is current in order that their church family can send them a note of encouragement.



Mark your calendars for an evening of games and fellowship! We will meet Saturday, September 24 at 7 pm. Bring your favorite game to play and a snack to share.



NURSERY - TODAY	NURSERY - SEPTEMBER 25
Front Desk: Bekah Gernhard	Front Desk: Tammy Bacon
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am	
Camille Ambrose (Infant Room) Iris Haywood (Infant Room) Debby Gardner (Toddler Room) Bea Sanders (Toddler Room)	Tom & Sandi Schreiner (Infant Room) Kristin & Abby Sotelo (Toddler Room)
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm	
Rachel Anderson (Infant Room) Vangie Wykoff (Infant Room) Hans Anderson (Toddler Room)	Eva Herberich (Infant Room) Ann Kistner (Infant Room) Stacy Collins (Toddler Room)

OUTREACH

VOLUNTEERS IN MEDICINE (VIM)



VIM Chattanooga is a private, non-profit 501(c)(3) faith-based primary care clinic. Volunteer physicians and nurses provide free medical services to financially eligible adults who are uninsured. Their mission is to understand and serve the health and wellness needs of the medically underserved in our community by providing quality, compassionate, and personalized care in a faith-based environment. VIM seeks to see neighbors who may have been overlooked, with practical expressions of Christian love to aid those needing compassion, wisdom, and skill to alleviate suffering. Visit www.vim-chatt.org for more information.

Please pray for this ministry in these particular ways:

- For wisdom for VIM's Board, Staff, and Volunteers.
- For the ongoing need for volunteers, especially RNs.
- For financial support from churches and individuals to fund our community operations.

TENNESSEE VALLEY PRESBYTERY CHURCH PLANTING



The TVP has been pursuing the specific vision of planting 20 churches in 10 years. Some in the Chattanooga area may wonder why more churches are needed since we are surrounded by many churches. Corby Shields, pastor at Rock Creek Fellowship, summarized the need in this way: *“Even if 60% of Southerners report that they are ‘religious’, doesn’t that leave 40% of our cities, counties, and neighborhoods where almost half the residents are outside the local church, which is the ordinary means of salvation? It has been proven time and again that new church plants are the most effective way to reach that 40% of your neighbors who are in need of new life in Christ.”*

Please pray for the TVP church plants that are already underway and wisdom in launching these future plants:

- Future church plants in these locations: Dunlap, TN, Tiftonia, TN, and Ringgold, GA.
- Newly Particularized TVP Church plants: Restoration Southside (Chattanooga, TN), Christ the King Church (Alcoa, TN), Grace + Peace Church (Ooltewah, TN).
- Current Church Plants: Rural Church Development (TN, NC, GA border small mountain towns), Redeemer Athens (Athens, TN), Resurrection Presbyterian Church (Knoxville, TN), Lakeway Presbyterian Church (Morristown, TN), Woodlands Gathering (to Native American population in Hamilton and Sequatchie Counties, TN), Mosaic Fellowship (Chattanooga, TN), Christ Church Presbyterian (Powell, TN).

Visit www.tvp-pca.com/church-plants for more information about each church plant and their pastor.

