

The Lord's Service

October 25, 2020

Please wear a mask if you intend to read responsively and sing while standing.

*As you exit our service today, please be sure to wear your mask
as you exit the sanctuary.*

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 145.10-13

LEADER: All Your works shall give thanks to You, O Lord, and all Your saints shall bless You! They shall speak of the glory of Your kingdom and tell of Your power,

PEOPLE: To make known to the children of man Your mighty deeds, and the glorious splendor of Your kingdom.

LEADER: Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and Your dominion endures throughout all generations.

PEOPLE: The Lord is faithful in all His words and kind in all His works.

*Hymn of Adoration

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty
see Page 8*

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

Our Father, you who before all worlds determined to make a kingdom of image-bearers, covering the earth, reflecting the glory of their King, like a billion mirrors. You, who covenanted with your Son not just to make, but to redeem them, to your greater glory. In the name of that Son, the Seed of the Woman, through whom all your promises of old are fulfilled and applied to us, we ask you

to receive our worship today. By your Spirit, sanctify our songs, purify our prayers, open our ears to hear your Word, and our hearts to receive your blessing and Fatherly favor. Blessed are you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. To you be glory forever. Amen.

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Daniel 9.4-6

LEADER: I prayed to the Lord my God and made confession, saying “O Lord, the great and awesome God, Who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love Him and keep His commandments,

PEOPLE: We have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from Your commandments and rules.

LEADER: We have not listened to Your servants the prophets, who in Your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison)

Heavenly Father,
You have loved us with an everlasting love,
But we have often gone our own way
and rejected Your will for our lives.
We are sorry for our sins
and turn away from them.
For the sake of Your Son who died for us,
forgive us, cleanse us, and change us.
By Your Holy Spirit
enable us to live for You
and to please You in every way,
for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Call to Confession

As we worship God we cannot help but see how we have fallen short of His glory. His Holy Scripture reveal this to us and points our heart 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.

Scripture Lesson

We hear Holy Scripture throughout our time in worship, but this lesson (reading), prepares us for the lesson of the sermon.

Assurance of Pardon

Romans 8.1-4

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

“There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by flesh, could not do. By sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, He condemned sin in the flesh, in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

2 Samuel 19.16-23

¹⁶ And Shimei the son of Gera, the Benjaminite, from Bahurim, hurried to come down with the men of Judah to meet King David. ¹⁷ And with him were a thousand men from Benjamin. And Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, with his fifteen sons and his twenty servants, rushed down to the Jordan before the king, ¹⁸ and they crossed the ford to bring over the king's household and to do his pleasure. And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the king, as he was about to cross the Jordan, ¹⁹ and said to the king, “Let not my lord hold me guilty or remember how your servant did wrong on the day my lord the king left Jerusalem. Do not let the king take it to heart. ²⁰ For your servant knows that I have sinned. Therefore, behold, I have come this day, the first of all the house of Joseph to come down to meet my lord the king.”

²¹ Abishai the son of Zeruiah answered, "Shall not Shimei be put to death for this, because he cursed the Lord's anointed?" ²² But David said, "What have I to do with you, you sons of Zeruiah, that you should this day be as an adversary to me? Shall anyone be put to death in Israel this day? For do I not know that I am this day king over Israel?" ²³ And the king said to Shimei, "You shall not die." And the king gave him his oath.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: **Thanks be to God.**

Sacrament of Baptism

Adelaide Reta van de Merwe

Choral Worship

O God Beyond All Praising

O God beyond all praising, we worship You today
And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;

For we can only wonder at every gift You send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end:
We lift our hearts before You and wait upon Your word,
We honor and adore You, our great and mighty Lord.

For we can only wonder at every gift You send,
At blessings without number and mercies without end:
For Christ, Your gift from heaven, from death has set us free,
And we through Him are given the final victory.

Then hear, O gracious Saviour, accept the love we bring,
That we who know Your favor may serve You as our King,
And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless You still:
To marvel at Your beauty and glory in Your ways,
And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Our sacrifice of praise.

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Doxology

No. 733

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, alleluia!

Doxology

A *doxology* is a hymn or word of praise to God for His goodness and glory.

Tithes and Offerings

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.

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

Intercession: (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

Scripture Lesson

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

Scripture Lesson

Mark 3.22-35

²² And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem were saying, "He is possessed by Beelzebul," and "by the prince of demons he casts out the demons." ²³ And he called them to him and said to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? ²⁴ If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. ²⁵ And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. ²⁶ And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but is coming to an end. ²⁷ But no one

can enter a strong man's house and plunder his goods, unless he first binds the strong man. Then indeed he may plunder his house. ²⁸ “Truly, I say to you, all sins will be forgiven the children of man, and whatever blasphemies they utter, ²⁹ but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”- ³⁰ for they were saying, “He has an unclean spirit.” ³¹ And his mother and his brothers came, and standing outside they sent to him and called him. ³² And a crowd was sitting around him, and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers are outside, seeking you.” ³³ And he answered them, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” ³⁴ And looking about at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! ³⁵ For whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.”

Sermon

Pastor John Jones

HIS KINGDOM

*Hymn of Response

In Christ Alone

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease.
My Comforter, my All in All, here in the love of Christ I stand.

No guilt in life, no fear in death,
this is the pow'r of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath,
Jesus commands my destiny.
No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man
can ever pluck me from His hand;
Till He returns or calls me home, here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand!

(2002 Thankyou Music)

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.

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.

Confession of Faith *Westminster Shorter Catechism 26*

LEADER: How is Christ a King?

PEOPLE: As a King, a Christ brings us under His power, rules and defends us, and restrains and conquers all His and all our enemies.

*Gloria Patri

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

Pastor Jones

Closing Greetings

Postlude

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre -
 2. Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so won - drous - ly
 3. Praise to the Lord, who doth pros - per thy work and de -
 4. Praise to the Lord, who with mar - vel - ous wis - dom hath
 5. Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me a -

a - tion! O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
 reign - eth, shel - ters thee un - der his wings, yea, so
 • fend thee! Sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy here
 made thee, decked thee with health, and with lov - ing hand
 dore him! All that hath life and breath, come now with

health and sal - va - tion! All ye who hear, now to his
 gent - ly sus - tain - eth! Hast thou not seen how thy de -
 • dai - ly at - tend thee; pon - der a - new what the Al -
 guid - ed and stayed thee. How oft in grief hath not he
 prais - es be - fore him! Let the a - men sound from his

tem - ple draw near, join me in glad ad - o - ra - tion.
 sires e'er have been grant - ed in what he or - dain - eth?
 • might - y will do, if with his love he be - friend thee.
 brought thee re - lief, spread - ing his wings to o'er - shade thee!
 peo - ple a - gain; glad - ly for - e'er we a - dore him.

♯ D A⁷ D A D G D A⁷ D

1. Come, thou fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
 2. Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer; hith - er by thy help I'm come;
 3. O to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con - strained to be;

A⁷ D A D G D A⁷ D

streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
 and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
 let that grace now, like a fet - ter, bind my wan - d'ring heart to thee.

A⁷ D G D A⁷ D G D

Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by flam - ing tongues a - bove;
 Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan - d'ring from the fold of God:
 Prone to wan - der— Lord, I feel it—prone to leave the God I love:

A⁷ D A ♯ D G D A⁷ D ♯

praise the mount! I'm fixed up - on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.
 he, to res - cue me from dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.
 here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

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



Join us for a Reformation Celebration & Hot Dog supper.
Bring your friends & neighbors! Costumes are optional.

THANKSGIVING POUNDING

Canned goods and staples are needed!

Place donations on the table in the
Lobby.

Monetary donations are also welcome.

*Mark as "Thanksgiving Pounding" in the offering
plate or mark accordingly on the Online Giving form.*

Delivery Day: November 21



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 4.1-20.
- **TODAY - Van der Merwe Baby Shower - 11:00 a.m.** - Join us for a "Garden Party" Baby Shower on the front lawn of CPC in honor of Adelaide Reta van der Merwe, daughter of Chris and Andra, born August 21. The shower will take place immediately following the morning service at approximately 11:00 a.m. The van der Merwes are registered at Target and Amazon.
- **October 28 - Children's Ministry Reformation Celebration - 6:00-7:30 p.m.** - Join us for our Reformation Celebration and Hot Dog Supper. Bring your friends and neighbors! Costumes are optional.
- **October 28-29 - Midweek Class Cancellations** - Wednesday and Thursday classes have been cancelled due to our Children's Ministry Reformation Celebration.
- **October 30 - Zoom Bridal Shower for Kelley Close - 7:00 p.m.** - Join us for a zoom bridal shower for Kelley Close (daughter of David and Susan Close), the fiancé of Christopher Scholbe. This is a zoom shower for her as she is in Orange County, Florida. Kelly and Christopher are to be wed on November 7 and are not registered but would appreciate gift cards from Amazon, Target, or Lowes. Cards can be mailed to 6257 Sadler Road, Mt. Dora, FL 32757 or sent online to kclosel040@gmail.com. Contact Judy Foster at 423.645.1085 for more information. You may join the Zoom shower by visiting zoom.us/join - Meeting ID: 715 7522 6347 and Passcode: 0uV39H
- **October 31 - Newlywed Shower for Josh and Kaylee Baierl - 1:00-3:00 p.m.** - Join us for a newlywed shower for the Baierls at CPC. Josh and Kaylee are registered at Target and Bed, Bath, & Beyond.
- **November 1 - Daylight Savings Time Ends** - Mark your calendars, next Sunday Daylight Savings Time Ends. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night.
- **November 1 - Bridal Shower for Tori Heyworth - 3:00-5:00 p.m.** - Join us for a church bridal shower for Tori Heyworth, the fiancé of Eli Rogers, son of Andrew and Lori Rogers. It will be at the home of Susan Helton. Tori and Eli are registered at Amazon, Bed, Bath and Beyond, and Target.
- **November 3 - Election Day** - All classes on campus have been rescheduled/cancelled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Thursday Brown Bag Lunch - 12:00-1:00 p.m.** - Join us for a virtual (Zoom) fellowship lunch on Thursdays during the noon hour. Pastor Mullinax will host. (Peanut butter & jelly sandwiches in a brown bag are not mandatory to participate.) We'll share information, swap some TALL tales, and enjoy one another's cyberspace company. Contact Ruth Fox at RFox@cpccchatt.org if you'd like to join.
- **Thanksgiving Pounding** - We are once again collecting donations of canned goods and staples for our Thanksgiving Pounding. Donations may be placed on the designated table in the Lobby. Monetary donations are also welcome and are needed to purchase perishable items the day of delivery on November 21 (please place monetary donations in the offering - designated "Thanksgiving Pounding" or choose "Other Giving" and "Thanksgiving Pounding" on our website: cpccchatt.org/give). If you know someone in need or if you could use a hand this year, please contact an Elder or the Church Office.
- The November birthday and anniversary calendar is available for pick up in the Narthex.
- **Budget Report** - Through October 18:
 - Budget: \$1,941,427
 - Actual: \$1,146,972
 - Shortfall: \$794,455
- **Christian Sympathy** - Christian sympathy is extended to Sherre Stuckey and her family on the loss of her husband, Skip.



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

OCC October Collections - CPC is continuing to collect year-round for Operation Christmas Child. For the month of October, we are continuing to collect school supplies, but we are also collecting hair bows, hair barrettes, hair clips, watches, and jewelry. For your convenience, a collection box is located in the Lobby in front of the Church Office. You may also pick up OCC Shoeboxes in the lobby at any time. Monetary donations are also welcome. Please place monetary donations in the offering designated "OCC" or choose "Other Giving" and "Operation Christmas Child" on our website: cpccchatt.org/give).

ELDERS AND DEACONS

Active Ruling Elders

Woody Brauer, Ernie Brown, Jason Brown, Kent Brown, Jason Coffey, Jeremy Gaines, Todd Gaither, Danny Grant, Mark Griggs, 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, Jeremy Armao, 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, Charlie Ray, Chris Rimondi, Tim Sotelo, Mark Stevenson, Phil Wade

MINISTRIES AND MISSIONARIES

African Bible University	Uganda	Love's Arm Outreach Ministries	Chattanooga
Agape Puppets	Global	Lee & Jennifer Leadbetter	RUF1 - UTK
Amani Ya Juu	Global	John & Kathy Lesondak	MTW - Slovak Republic
Paul Billy Arnold.....	PMI - India	Luke & Amanda McAuley	SIM - Kenya
James & Karen Ashley	Wycliffe - Global	Heidi Meiners	ICS - Budapest, Hungary
Marc & Denise Atchley.....	TEAM - Greece	Pete & Ruth Mitchell	MTW - France
Tom & Ann Austin	MTW - Global	Randy & Joan Nabors	MNA - Mercy
NoNo & Kate Beale	Isaiah 55 - Reynosa, Mexico	Andy & Kathy Napier	TWR - North Carolina
Mark Casson	MNA - Prison Ministry	PCA Agencies	Atlanta, Georgia
Child Evangelism Fellowship	Chattanooga	John Mark & Caroline Scruggs.....	RUF - UTC
Compassion International	Global	Jamie & Bethany Sexton	IDEAS - China
Chattanooga Sports Ministries.....	Chattanooga	Brian & Connie Shepson	MAF - USA
Chernobyl Children's Program.....	Belarus	Frank & Cindy Sindler	MTW - Enterprise
Choices	Chattanooga	Teresa Snow	CRU - City - Austin, Texas
Matt & Annette Cummings.....	WEC - Japan	Stepan & Alla Solodukha	Belarus
East Ridge Wyldlife	East Ridge, Tennessee	Dan & Susan Steere.....	ELI - Global
Jay & Beverly Fowler	FCA - East Tennessee	David & Eowyn Stoddard.....	MTW - Germany
Aubrey & Jerri Fritz	CRU - Chattanooga	Sujai & Lavanya Suneetha	Nireekshana - India
Dan & Mako Gilchrist	ELI - Global	Tennessee Valley Presbytery	Church Plants
Jean-Baptiste Gueracague	Harvestime - France	Third Millennium Ministries.....	Global
Haitian American Friendship Found.....	Haiti	Jeff & Heather Vaughn	MTW - Global
Harvest USA	USA	Pete Vaughn	Amani - Chattanooga
Andrew & Julie Halbert	UWM - Costa Rica	Volunteers in Medicine Clinic.....	Chattanooga
Christine Harrison.....	Wycliffe - East Africa	Gary & Phyllis Waldecker	Third Mill - Global
Russ & Amanda Hightower	LA Church Plant	Josiah & Miriam Walters.....	MTW - Chad
Hope for the Inner City	Chattanooga	Bruce & Barb Wannemacher.....	MTW - South Africa
Jonathan & Maggie Hunter	UWM - Costa Rica	Mario & Keila Xaco	Isaiah 55-Reynosa, Mexico