The Lord's Service November 22, 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 105.1-3

LEADER: Oh give thanks to the Lord; call upon His name; **PEOPLE: Make known His deeds among the peoples!** LEADER: Sing to Him, sing praises to Him; tell of all His

wondrous works!

PEOPLE: Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice!

*Hymn of Adoration

We Gather Together see Page 7

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

Book of Common Prayer (1689)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants do give you most humble and hearty thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for your boundless love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. Holy Father, through your Spirit give us that due sense of all your mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord,

to whom with you and the Holy Ghost be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Deuteronomy 6.10-12

LEADER: And when the LORD your God brings you into the land that He swore to your fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give you with great and good cities that you did not build,

PEOPLE: And houses full of all good things that you did not fill, and cisterns that you did not dig, and vineyards and olive trees that you did not plant - and when you eat and are full,

LEADER: Then take care lest you forget the Lord, Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery.

Corporate Confession of Sin (in unison) George Matheson (1842-1906)

Oh You who seek and save lost things, buried things, we lift our eyes to You. Many have offered a golden tomorrow; You alone have offered to retrieve our yesterdays. Restore to us the waste places of our hearts. Reveal to us the meaning of our failures. Show us that there was manna in our desert that even Canaan did not hold. Then shall there be a harvest joy, a resurrection joy, the joy of gathering the buried past. Then shall our hearts be satisfied that the trials of the soul were autumn's gain.

Assurance of Pardon

Deuteronomy 7.6-8

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

"For you are a people holy to the Lord your
God. The Lord your God has chosen you to be

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. a people for his treasured possession, out of all the peoples who are on the face of the earth. It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt."

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

Hymn of Assurance

Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing see Page 8

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Job 5.8-17

8 "As for me, I would seek God, and to God would I commit my cause, 9 who does great things and unsearchable, marvelous things without number: 10 he gives rain on the earth and sends waters on the fields; 11 he sets on high those who are lowly, and those who mourn are lifted to safety. 12 He frustrates the devices of the crafty, so that their hands achieve no success. 13 He catches the wise in their own craftiness, and the schemes of the wily are brought to a quick end. 14 They meet with darkness in the daytime and grope at noonday as in the night. 15 But he saves the needy from the sword of their mouth and from the hand of the mighty. 16 So the poor have hope, and injustice shuts her mouth. 17 "Behold, blessed is the one whom God reproves; therefore despise not the discipline of the Almighty.

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Scripture Lesson

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

Choral Worship

For the Beauty of the Earth

For the beauty of the earth, for the beauty of the skies, For the love which from our birth, over and around us lies: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the beauty of each hour, of the day and of the night, Hill and vale and tree and flower, sun and moon and stars of light: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For the joy of human love, brother, sister, parent, child, Friends on earth, and friends above, for all gentle thoughts and mild: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

For each perfect gift of Thine to our race so freely given, Graces human and divine, flowers of earth and buds of heaven: Lord of all, to Thee we raise this our joyful hymn of praise.

(1980 Rutter, Hinshaw Music)

Doxology

Give Thanks

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ, His Son. (2x)

And now let the weak say, "I am strong,"

Let the poor say, "I am rich,"

Because of what the Lord has done for us. (2x)

Give thanks.

(1978 Henry Smith Integrity's Hosanna! Music)

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

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

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>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

Scripture Lesson

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

Scripture Lesson

1 Peter 5.6-11

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, ⁷ casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you. ⁸ Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. ⁹ Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world. ¹⁰ And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. ¹¹ To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

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.

Sermon

Pastor John Jones

POST PANDEMIC?

*Hymn of Response

Now Thank We All Our God see Page 9

Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith, 12.1

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

All who are justified, God graciously guarantees to make partakers of the grace of adoption in and for His only Son, Jesus Christ. By this act they are taken into the number of God's children and enjoy the liberties and privileges of that relationship; they are given His name; they receive the Spirit of adoption; they have access to the throne of grace with boldness; and they are enabled to cry, "Abba, Father." Like a father, God has compassion on, protects, provides for, and chastens them; yet, they will never be cast off, but are sealed to the day of redemption, and will inherit the promises as heirs of everlasting salvation.

*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

Pastor Jones

Closing Greetings

Postlude

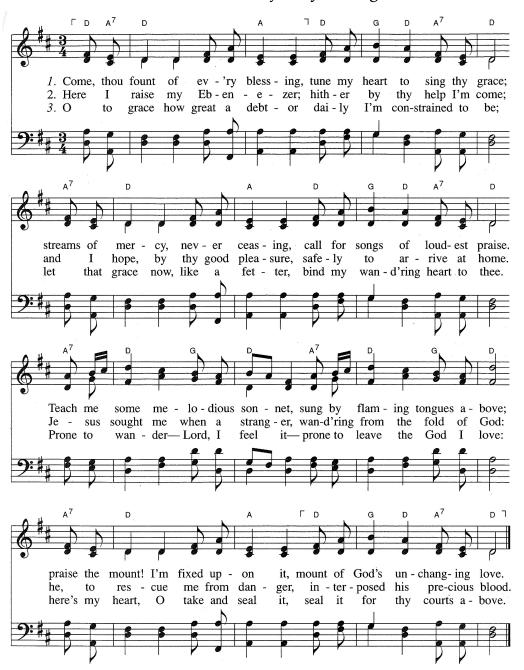
Benediction

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.

We Gather Together



Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing



Robert Robinson, 1758

NETTLETON 8.7.8.7.D. Asahel Nettleton, 1825

Now Thank We All Our God



Martin Rinkart, 1636 Tr. by Catherine Winkworth, 1858 NUN DANKET 6.7.6.7.6.6.6.6. Johann Crüger, 1647

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 Isaiah 40.1-11.
- TODAY Children's Advent Calendar Be sure to pick up a calendar in the Foyer.
- November 16-23 OCC Collection Week Ends Tomorrow
- November 26 Thanksgiving Day Grateful Gobbler Walk/Run/Stroll 8:00 a.m. CPCers have annually participated in this event since its inception in 2000. Usually, people from all over our area and from all walks of life gather together at Coolidge Park for the 5K Grateful Gobbler Walk/Run/Stroll. DUE TO COVID CONCERNS THIS YEAR'S EVENT WILL BE AT THE LOCATION OF YOUR CHOICE! To register and receive more details visit: gratefulgobblerwalk.org. Proceeds benefit the Maclellan Shelter for Families, an emergency homeless shelter in Chattanooga.
- **November 29 Service Time Shift** We will begin our new morning service times at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. The 8:30 a.m. service will be Live Streamed.



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December 11 - 6:00 p.m. & December 12 - 4:00 p.m. in Schum Fellowship Hall

Cost: Adults - \$8.00 & Girls under 12 - \$5.00

Registration begins November 29 thru December 7. Sign-up forms are in the lobby or you may register online.

(Each dinner limited to 40 participants)

Our ministry focus this year is Hope For The Inner City and we are collecting the following items to donate to this ministy:

Bikes • Sports Equipment • Crayons & Markers • African American Dolls
Toy Cars/Trucks • Electronic Items • Bedding • Sleeping Bags • Winter Clothing

Speaker: Tory Worley



Tory is a native of Clarksville, TN. He first heard the gospel through the combined efforts of a missionary to his low-income apartment complex, and his mother's younger brother who had become a Christian in college. He moved to East Chattanooga in 2015 where he lives and works seeking to make Jesus known amongst his neighbors.



And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says,
"Let all God's angels worship him."
~ Hebrews 1.6

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Needed: Part-time Facilities Helper

A part-time helper is needed for a few hours each week over the next month to assist with church facility needs. If you know of anyone looking for a few hours of part-time work, please have them contact Shannon Ratliff at sratliff@cpcchatt.org.

Christmas Card Stamps

Please remember to save those Christmas card stamps. Deposit them in the mailbox by Pastor Mullinax's office. These used stamps are processed and re-sold, with all proceeds going to finance Spanish language Sunday School curriculum in Latin America.

Budget Report

Through November 16:

Annual Budget Need: \$1,941,427 Giving To Date: \$1,346,591 Needed By Year-end: \$594,836

Advent Reading Guides

We have Advent Reading Guides available in the Narthex. Be sure to pick up a copy for your family as you leave today. They are printed with white Covenant Presbyterian covers. We will also have an online version of the booklets available on the church website.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregational Meeting

December 6 - 10:00-10:30 a.m. Please plan to attend our annual Congregational Meeting after the 8:30 a.m. Worship Service in the Sanctuary. During this time we will receive a report from our pastoral staff and vote on four trustees of the 2021 CPC Board of Directors. According to the church constitution these serve one year terms and represent the church on legal transactions. Our current 2020 trustees have agreed to serve an additional term in 2021 if elected again by the congregation. These individuals are Mr. Doug McEachern, Mrs. Lynda Brown, Mr. Duane Ferrel, and Mr. Larry Miller. In addition to those elected, the Executive Pastor, Clerk of Session, Chairman of the Diaconate, and Church Treasurer also serve on the Board of Directors. This meeting will be live streamed, however, you must be physically present to participate in the meeting. A sample ballot is included on page 13.

COVENANT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF CHATTANOOGA

Congregational Meeting ♦ December 6, 2020

SAMPLE BALLOT

All candidates may be elected - no number limit.

For Election to a Director (Trustee) of CPC, Inc.:

Name:	Yes	No
Lynda Brown		
Duane Ferrel		
Doug McEachern		
Larry Miller		

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.

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, 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
Agape Puppets	Global
Amani Ya Juu	
Paul Billy Arnold	PMI - India
James & Karen Ashley	Wycliffe - Global
Marc & Denise Atchley	TEAM - Greece
Tom & Ann Austin	
NoNo & Kate Beale	Isaiah 55 - Reynosa, Mexico
Mark Casson	MNA - Prison Ministry
Child Evangelism Fellowship	Chattanooga
Compassion International	
Chattanooga Sports Ministries	Chattanooga
Chernobyl Children's Program	Belarus
Choices	Chattanooga
Matt & Annette Cummings	WEC - Japan
East Ridge Wyldlife	East Ridge, Tennessee
Jay & Beverly Fowler	
Aubrey & Jerri Fritz	CRU - Chattanooga
Dan & Mako Gilchrist	ELI - Global
Jean-Baptiste Gueracague	Harvestime - France
Haitian American Friendship Found	Haiti
Harvest USA	USA
Andrew & Julie Halbert	UWM - Costa Rica
Christine Harrison	
Russ & Amanda Hightower	LA Church Plant
Hope for the Inner City	
Jonathan & Maggie Hunter	

Love's Arm Outreach Ministries	U
Lee & Jennifer Leadbetter	
John & Kathy Lesondak	MTW - Slovak Republic
Luke & Amanda McAuley	
Heidi Meiners	
Pete & Ruth Mitchell	MTW - France
Randy & Joan Nabors	
Andy & Kathy Napier	TWR - North Carolina
PCA Agencies	
John Mark & Caroline Scruggs	RUF - UTC
Jamie & Bethany Sexton	IDEAS - China
Brian & Connie Shepson	MAF - USA
Frank & Cindy Sindler	MTW - Enterprise
Teresa Snow	
Stepan & Alla Solodukha	Belarus
Dan & Susan Steere	ELI - Global
David & Eowyn Stoddard	MTW - Germany
Sujai & Lavanya Suneetha	Nireekshana - India
Tennessee Valley Presbytery	
Third Millennium Ministries	Global
Jeff & Heather Vaughn	MTW - Global
Pete Vaughn	
Volunteers in Medicine Clinic	
Gary & Phyllis Waldecker	Third Mill - Global
Josiah & Miriam Walters	
Bruce & Barb Wannemacher	MTW - South Africa
Mario & Keila Xaco	Isaiah 55-Reynosa, Mexico