

The Lord's Service

November 20, 2022

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

Welcome and Announcements

Preparation for Worship

Christ Created Light

Covenant Choristers

Words and Music by John Wykoff

When the world was dark,
When the dark was deep,
Deep and dark as night,
Christ Created light

When my heart was dark,
When the dark was deep,
Deep and dark as night,
Christ created light.

In the final day,
Everlasting day,
Where there is no night,
Christ will be the light.

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 96.1-9, 1

LEADER: Oh, sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the
Lord, all the earth!

PEOPLE: **Sing to the Lord, bless His name;
Tell of His salvation from day to day.**

LEADER: Declare his glory among the nations, his
marvelous works among all the peoples!

PEOPLE: **For great is the Lord, and greatly to be
praised;
He is to be feared above all gods.**

LEADER: For all the gods of the peoples are worthless idols, but the Lord made the heavens.

PEOPLE: **Splendor and majesty are before Him,
Strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**

LEADER: Ascribe to the Lord, O families of the peoples, ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

PEOPLE: **Ascribe to the Lord the glory due His name;
Bring an offering, and come into his courts!**

LEADER: Worship the Lord in the splendor of holiness; tremble before Him, all the earth!

PEOPLE: **Oh, sing to the Lord a new song;
Sing to the Lord, all the earth!**

*Hymn of Adoration

We Gather Together

Words: translated from Dutch by Theodore Baker, 1917

Music: KREMSER, Edward Kremser, 1877

Hymnal No. 363

*Invocation

by Elder Jim Hildebrand

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, we have sinned and done wrong and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning aside from your commandments and rules.

PEOPLE: **We have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.**

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.

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

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.

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.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *Book of Common Prayer*, London (1552)

**Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden. Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, so that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name, through Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 6.6-7

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: ‘Behold, this has touched your lips, your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.’”
The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

***Hymn of Assurance**

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness
Words and Music: Keith Getty and Stuart Townend, 2003
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God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

2 Timothy 4.6-8 (p. 996)
read by Elder Dee Hobbs

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory *Now Thank We All Our God with Bach's Prelude No 7*
Alayne Griffin, pianist
Arranged by Marilyn Ham

*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.

Prayer of the Church by Pastor Jake Bennett

Scripture Lesson Proverbs 15.5-19 (p. 538)

- ⁵ A fool despises his father's instruction,
but whoever heeds reproof is prudent.
- ⁶ In the house of the righteous there is much treasure,
but trouble befalls the income of the wicked.
- ⁷ The lips of the wise spread knowledge;
not so the hearts of fools.
- ⁸ The sacrifice of the wicked is an abomination to
the Lord,
but the prayer of the upright is acceptable to him.
- ⁹ The way of the wicked is an abomination to the Lord,
but he loves him who pursues righteousness.
- ¹⁰ There is severe discipline for him who forsakes the
way;
whoever hates reproof will die.
- ¹¹ Sheol and Abaddon lie open before the Lord;
how much more the hearts of the children of man!
- ¹² A scoffer does not like to be reproved;
he will not go to the wise.
- ¹³ A glad heart makes a cheerful face,
but by sorrow of heart the spirit is crushed.

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.

- ¹⁴ The heart of him who has understanding seeks
knowledge,
but the mouths of fools feed on folly.
- ¹⁵ All the days of the afflicted are evil,
but the cheerful of heart has a continual feast.
- ¹⁶ Better is a little with the fear of the Lord
than great treasure and trouble with it.
- ¹⁷ Better is a dinner of herbs where love is
than a fattened ox and hatred with it.
- ¹⁸ A hot-tempered man stirs up strife,
but he who is slow to anger quiets contention.
- ¹⁹ The way of a sluggard is like a hedge of thorns,
but the path of the upright is a level highway.

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.

Sermon

by Pastor John Jones

BETTER IS

*Hymn of Response

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Words: Henry Alford, 1844

Music: ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR, George J. Elvey, 1859

Hymnal No. 715

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 Westminster Larger Catechism, 42 (1647)

LEADER: Christian, why was our Mediator called Christ?

PEOPLE: **Because He was anointed with the Holy Spirit beyond all measure. Consequently, He was set apart and completely equipped with all authority and power to execute the offices of prophet, priest, and king of His church, in both His humiliation and His exaltation.**

*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!

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.

My Heart is Filled with Thankfulness



1. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who bore my pain;
2. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who walks be - side;
3. My heart is filled with thank-ful-ness to Him who reigns a - bove;



Whoplumbed the depths of my dis - grace and gave me life a - gain;
Who floods my weak-ness - es and strengths and caus-es fear to fly;
Whose wis - dom is my per-fect peace, whose ev - 'ry thought is love;



Who crushed my curse of sin - ful-ness and clothed me in His light,
Whose ev - 'ry prom-ise is e-nough for ev - 'ry step I take,
For ev - 'ry day I have on earth is giv - en by the King.



And wrote His law of right-eous-ness with pow'r up-on my heart.
Sus - tain - ing me with arms of love and crown-ing me with grace.
So I will give my life, my all to love and fol - low him.

WELCOME

We are glad you joined us this morning! If this is your first visit with us, please take a moment to fill out one of the Connection Cards located in each pew.

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

We invite you to join us next week, as Pastor John Jones preaches from Colossians 1.19-20.

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 a special bulletin designed for these Little Theologians. They 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. 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.

ADULT SS CLASS TEACHER SUBSTITUTE

The Second Corinthians class that is led by Ken Henry will have a substitute teacher this week. Dan Steere will lead the lesson in Ken's absence.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, November 20

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School
OCC Collection - 12-4:30 pm
Deacons Mtg - E-104 -12:30 pm

Monday, November 21

OCC Final Collection Day - 8:30 am-12:30 pm

Wednesday, November 23

Thanksgiving Eve Service - O-100 - 6:30 pm

Thursday, November 24

Church Offices Closed - Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday, November 25

Church Offices Closed - Thanksgiving holidays

Sunday, November 27 - *First Sunday of Advent*

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.

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

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

COVENANT LIFE

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Please plan to attend our annual Congregational Meeting on December 4 after worship in O-100 (Fellowship Hall). During this time we will vote on the trustees for the 2023 CPC Board of Directors and Pastor Jones' resignation.

LAST OCC OPPORTUNITIES

Build a Box Online (by Sunday, November 27).

For \$25, you choose great items for your box and pay for the shipping (also includes the Greatest Gift booklet in the child's language). To find the link, go to cpcchatt.org and look below the scrolling banner for the *Build a Shoebox* button.

Volunteer at the Regional OCC Processing Center in Atlanta.

Scan to find more information or to sign-up.



BUDGET REPORT

Through November 6:

Giving To Date:	\$1,105,159
Annual Budget Need:	\$1,984,930
Needed By Year-end:	\$ 879,771

MEN'S BREAKFAST & WORK DAY

The Men's Ministry is inviting men of all ages to a light breakfast on Saturday, December 3 at 8:30 am to be followed by a work day. We plan to tackle a few projects at the church and may also have a few crews who will be sent to widows' homes as needed. Please plan to join us!

MEN'S RETREAT REGISTRATION

The Men's Ministry is hosting a Winter Retreat at Johnston Woods on January 20-21. We will focus on *Who We Are in Christ*. Dr. Herb Ward will be our special guest speaker.


Sign up online at cpcchatt.org. The cost is \$50 to attend. Scholarships are available. High school boys are invited to join us, and their attendance is FREE.

Make plans to join us for this rich weekend of teaching and fellowship.



CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

The church offices will be closed on Thursday and Friday this week in observance of the holidays.



Join us for a time of food, fellowship, and encouragement as we celebrate Jesus' promised coming. We will gather on Saturday, December 10 at 4 pm as we seek to *"stir up one another to love and good works"* during this Advent season. We want to focus on *"encouraging one another"* as well as some of our missionaries as they take the good news of Jesus' Advent around the world.

Registration is open online but ends on Sunday, December 4. The cost is \$8 per person. If scholarship help is needed, please contact the office.

ADVENT GATHERING

4 - 6 PM | SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

LADIES OF ALL AGES ARE INVITED
REGISTRATION ENDS ON DECEMBER 4

COST: \$8

Visit [cpcchatt.org/ministry/
women](https://cpcchatt.org/ministry/women)



MIDWEEK

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

If you are in town this week for the Thanksgiving holiday, please join us for a special time of prayer and singing in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30 pm.

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)



November 23: NO Midweek Meal

November 30: Soup and Bread Night:
Turkey Mulligatawny, Potato Chowder, Salad Bar, Apple Crisp and Ice Cream

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.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

CPC YOUTH FIRST FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP

All Youth homeschool students are invited to join us for a time of fellowship. We will plan to meet the first Friday of each month and get lunch. Parents are welcome! We will meet at Zaxby's (7643 East Brainerd Road) on Friday, December 2 from 11:30 am - 1 pm.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

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

NURSERY - TODAY	NURSERY - NOVEMBER 27
Front Desk: Sherry Baierl	Front Desk: Sherry Baierl
Worship Volunteers / 9:15 - 10:45 am	
Charlie Wright (Infant Room) Lisa Wright (Infant Room) Sophie Wright (Infant Room) Ellie Wright (Toddler Room) Matt Wright (Toddler Room)	Ann Kistner (Infant Room) Esther McEachern (Infant Room) Sophie Wright (Infant Room) Heather Harris (Toddler Room) Malachi Harris (Toddler Room)
Sunday School Volunteers / 10:45 - 12:15 pm	
Catherine Coffey (Infant Room) Teva Wooten (Infant Room) Bekah Gernhard (Toddler Room)	Hans Anderson (Infant Room) Rachel Anderson (Infant Room) Melissa Horton (Toddler Room)

OUTREACH

PRAYING FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH AROUND THE WORLD

Every two minutes, someone is killed for their faith. We should pray for fellow brothers and sisters in the Lord as they face persecution for following Jesus and sharing the gospel. Please consider praying in these particular ways:

- That persecuted Christians would know the hope God gives (Ephesians 1.18).
- That Christians facing persecution would rely on God, and not themselves (2 Corinthians 1.7-9).
- That persecuted Christians would fearlessly tell others about Jesus (Ephesians 6.20).
- That God would provide for the physical needs of persecuted Christians (3 John 2).
- That they would experience God's peace, despite their weakness and current circumstances (2 Corinthians 12.9).
- That God would protect them, according to His will (Matthew 26.39).
- That persecuted Christians would feel deeply connected to Jesus in their suffering (John 15.19-20).
- That they would be completely faithful and surrendered to God's will (Revelation 2.10-11).
- That they would have wisdom and discernment for how to approach every situation (Matthew 10.16-18).
- That as they share in Christ's sufferings, they would be able to rejoice in the hope God offers them (1 Peter 4.12-14).

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

The mission of Operation Christmas Child (OCC) is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to children in need around the world. Through this project, Samaritan's Purse partners with the local church worldwide to share the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of the nations.

The first shoebox gifts were collected in 1993. Twenty-eight thousand boxes were delivered to war torn Bosnia and the surrounding Balkan countries. Since then, OCC has collected more than 198 million shoebox gifts for children in more than 170 countries and territories. In 2021 alone, more than 10.5 million OCC boxes were collected.

Seeking to "*make disciples of all the nations*," Samaritan's Purse has trained leaders to teach *The Greatest Journey*, a dynamic follow-up discipleship course for shoebox recipients. Since 2009, 30.9 million children have enrolled in this 12-lesson program to learn how to follow Christ and share Him with others. More than 14.9 million of these boys and girls have made a decision to accept Jesus as their Savior. Many are now praying for and sharing their faith with family and friends. As a result of this ever-expanding witness, new churches are starting, and communities are being transformed!