The Lord's Service April 27, 2025

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

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.

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.

*Call to Worship

*Invocation

Psalm 95.1-7

- LEADER: O come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
- PEOPLE: Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
- LEADER: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
- PEOPLE: In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
- LEADER: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.
- PEOPLE: Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!

LEADER: For he is our God,

PEOPLE: And we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*Hymn of Adoration Text: Anonymous, 7th Century; Translated by John Mason Neale Music: Henry Purcell (1680) Hymnal No. 343

by Elder Jason Coffey

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Proverbs 28.13

LEADER: Whoever conceals his transgressions will not prosper,

PEOPLE: ... but he who confesses and forsakes them will obtain mercy.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin from *Church Practices*, Bucer, Strassburg (1539)

> Almighty, everlasting God and Father, we confess and acknowledge to you that we were conceived in unrighteousness and are full of sin and transgression in all our life, as those who do not perfectly believe your Word nor follow your holy commandments. We implore you, remember your goodness and for your name's sake be gracious to us and forgive us our wrongdoing, which indeed is great. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 103.8-13

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News: "The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love. He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever. He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far does he remove our transgressions from us. As a father shows compassion to his children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear him."

The peace of the Lord be with you! **PEOPLE: And also with you!**

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. *Hymn of Assurance I Greet Thee, Who My Sure Redeemer Art Text: Attr. to John Calvin (1554), Music: Louis Bourgeous (1551) Hymnal No.168

God Consecrates Us

Scripture Lesson

Joshua 2.1-21 (p.178) read by Elder Ken Hostetler

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord. **PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.**

Sacrament of Baptism

Chad Grosskreutz and Elena Cross present Lainey Fallon and Leesy Freya for baptism.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

The Lord is My Shepherd

Text from Psalm 23, Music by John Rutter Sanctuary Choir

The Lord is my shepherd: therefore can I lack nothing. He shall feed me in a green pasture: And lead me forth beside the waters of comfort. He shall convert my soul: And bring me forth in the paths of righteousness for his Name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; Thy rod and thy staff comfort me. Thou shalt prepare a table before me against them that trouble me: Thou hast anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.

But thy loving-kindness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: And I will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

*Doxology

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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!

Scripture Lesson

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

Baptism

In baptism, ordinary water represents God's work in the covenant of grace to forgive sins through Spiritual washing and the blood of Jesus. It cannot save. It symbolizes that we belong to Jesus and is commanded of every Christian. A child of Christian parents may be baptized because "household" baptism of the New Testament is similar to circumcision of the Old Testament.

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. Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Bill Massey

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 11.30-31 (p. 1008)

By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

Sermon

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

THE FAITH OF FEAR

*Hymn of Response

I Know That My Redeemer Lives Text: Samuel Medley (1775) Music: traditional American 19th century Hymnal No. 281

*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith 8.5

> LEADER: Christian, what do you believe? PEOPLE: The Lord Jesus, by His perfect obedience and sacrifice of Himself, which He through the eternal Spirit once offered up unto God, has fully satisfied the justice of His Father; and purchased not only reconciliation, but an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven, for all those whom the Father has given unto Him.

*Gloria Patri

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sickness, happiness and sorrow, assurance and doubt, as we bring our pravers to God, together. Holy Scripture commands elders to pray with and for

God's people, not just publicly, but privately.

Prayer of the

Church

We share in our health and

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.

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

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

Title: The Faith of Fear **Text:** Hebrews 11.30-31

Mission Statement of CPC

Covenant Presbyterian Church exists to love God and our neighbors by making Christ known in all of life.

CPC Pastors

Bill Massey (Interim Senior Pastor), Travis Hutchinson (Interim Pastor of Youth & Families), David Stephenson (Senior Pastor Elect)

CPC Officers

ELDERS: Woody Brauer, Jason Brown, Adam Cathey, Jason Coffey, Todd Gaither, Jon Harris, Ken Henry, Dee Hobbs, Ken Hostetler, Bill Massey (Moderator), Will McDaniel, Chris Rimondi, Adam Sanders, (Clerk of Session), Todd Smith, Rex Wagner, Mike Walker, Tim Warren, Tracy Wright

DEACONS: Geff Adams, Mike Bacon, Paul Baierl, Thomas Blackburn, Jonathan Calloway, David Close, Jason Collins, Rich Denkinger, Mike Evatt, Jon Griffin, James Hall, Steven James, Steve Leach, Eric Mantel, Mike Mason (Chairman of Diaconate), Richard Mauroner, Jared McCurry, John Morrison, Vince Pereski, Caleb Ray, Tim Sotelo, Phil Wade (Clerk of Diaconate), Matt Wright

WELCOME

We are glad you joined us this morning! If this is your first visit with us, please fill out a Connection Card (located in each pew).

Join us in the Lobby for coffee and fellowship before Sunday School. If you are visiting or are wanting to become a member of Covenant, consider attending the What Is Presbyterian? Class that meets in Room 120.

We invite you to join us next week as Pastor Massey preaches from Hebrews 11.

Finding your way:

Scan the QR code to view a map of our campus. Printed maps can be found on the bulletin board just off the Lobby and outside the Nursery.



For those with children:

Your children are welcome and wanted in worship! Little ones sometimes have a hard time sitting quietly through a service. Please take advantage of these helpful tools:

- Special Bulletin designed for our Little Theologians (available in Narthex)
- Family Worship Room where children can be a little louder and more active (windowed room in Sanctuary)
- Family Restroom and Nursing Mother's Room (in Family Worship Room)
- Nursery available to children born after September 1, 2021 (deacons can direct you)
- Calm Kit Bags borrow fidgets and tools to help soothe the wiggles during worship (in Family Worship Room)

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, April 27

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School - visit cpcchatt.org for class list

Tuesday, April 29

Moms of Teens - Room 120 - 10:30 am Ladies' Exodus Study - Room 105 - 6:30 pm

Wednesday, April 30

Midweek Meal - Room 100 - 5:30 pm Youth Baked Goods Auction - Room 100 - 5:30 pm Children, Youth, & Adult Midweek Classes visit cpcchatt.org for class list

Friday, May 2

Men's Proverbs Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am MS and 5th Grade Bowling Night - Spare Time Bowling - 7 pm

Saturday, May 3

Men's Breakfast and Yard Game Olympics -Room 100 - 8:30 am

Sunday, May 4

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am Sunday School - visit cpcchatt.org for class list Steere/Young Shower - Room 100 - 2 pm

MORE INFORMATION

All music is printed under CCLI No. 447727.

Website: cpcchatt.org

Online Directory: Contact the church office to request access

Prayer Requests: Email your request or update to prayer@cpcchatt.org

Pastoral Care Line: Call/text your request or need to 423-521-2142

BAKED GOODS AUCTION

Wed, Apr 30 • 5:30 pm • Room 100

Join us for a live auction of baked treats and goodies. The proceeds will bless our students by providing scholarships for the Youth summer trips.

MS AND 5TH GRADE BOWLING NIGHT

Fri, May 2 • 7 pm • Spare Time Bowling

Middle School students (along with 5th-grade students) are invited to join us for a night of bowling. The cost is \$12. Scan the QR code to sign up online if your student is planning to attend.



MEN'S BREAKFAST & YARD-GAME OLYMPICS Sat, May 3 • 8:30 am • Room 100

Men, we invite you for a morning of great food, fellowship, and competition. We will have a time of fellowship around the table while we eat, and then everyone is invited to participate in our 5th annual CPC Yard-Game Olympics. Two-man teams will compete in Corn Hole, ladder ball, badminton, and several other classic yard games for the annual winner's trophy and gift certificates.

STEERE/YOUNG SHOWER

Sun, May 4 • 2 pm • Room 100

We are excited to invite you to a shower in honor of former member Anna Steere (daughter of Dan & Susan) and Josh Young. Men and women are invited to encourage and support this couple. Gift cards or cash would be appreciated, or they are registered at Target & Amazon.

CPC BLOOD DRIVE

Wed, May 14 • 4:30-8:30 pm • Parking Lot

CPC is partnering again with Blood Assurance to host the Bloodmobile. Please be sure to sign-up for your appointment time by visiting *cpcchatt.org* and clicking the slide on the homepage.

You can also scan this QR Code or contact Sherry Baierl (email: love2walk@comcast.net or call: 423-899-5377).



MUSIC CAMP REGISTRATION

Camp Dates • Jun 2-6

All children entering kindergarten through entering 6th grade are invited to attend Music

Camp. Scan the QR Code to register. If you have any questions or need help getting signed up, please contact the church office.



YOUTH CAMP REGISTRATION

Jul 5-9 High School Beach Retreat

High School students, join us for a great camp at Isle of Palms, S.C. Register by May 1.

Scan the QR code to register at: cpcchatt.org/ministry/youth



FORGE CAMP REGISTRATION Camp Dates • Jul 17-19

Online registration for Forge Camp is open. Visit cpcchatt.org/ministry/youth to sign-up.

Please email Heather Morrison at HMorrison@cpcchatt.org if you have any questions or want to volunteer.

CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

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

GRADUATE RECOGNITION

As we prepare to recognize graduates from high school, college, trade school, masters, and doctoral programs, please email the church office with the name of the graduate, degree earned, and name of school.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Do you have a passion for encouraging and uplifting other women? The Women's Ministry is looking for caring and dedicated ladies to join our Women's Ministry Team. We have several positions open for coordinating Visitor Outreach, Bible Studies, Hospitality, and Women's Events. If you've been a member of CPC for over a year and would like more information, please contact Dianne Cosby or Sarah Wade by emailing women@cpcchatt.org.

CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Want to become a member of our Covenant Presbyterian family? Please contact the office at office@cpcchatt.org to make an appointment.

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

We have many little ones in our nursery on Sunday mornings. What a wonderful blessing! Please email Bekah Gernhard to let her know when you can serve (Nursery@cpcchatt.org).



We are happy to announce that the CPC Resource Center is back!

We are excited to bring you an updated selection of recommended books located in the lobby. Our aim is to provide tools that will help you study God's Word, strengthen your faith, and help you make sense of life's many challenges.

The books will now be **available for purchase**. During "high traffic" times a volunteer will be available near the shelves to help answer questions about available resources and to receive payments.

We ask that you please refrain from taking a resource without paying for it.

If you have any additional questions, please reach out to Jonathan Calloway.

UPCOMING MIDWEEK MENU

- **Apr 30:** Smothered Burritos, Mexican Salad Bar, Tortilla Chips & Salsa, Youth Dessert Auction *(No dessert from the kitchen)*
- May 7: Ham Barbecue Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Salad Bar, Coca-Cola Cake
- May 14: Grilled Chicken, Baked Beans, Corn, Salad Bar, Key Lime Squares
 - 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)



The cost per meal is suggested only. If you don't have the full amount, don't worry. Pay what you can. Visitors enjoy a free meal.

FOOD ALLERGY INFO

For a list of Midweek meal ingredients please email our Hospitality Coordinator, Emily Calloway, at ECalloway@cpcchatt.org.

MIDWEEK KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS & CLEAN UP HELP

Midweek suppers are delicious, but they don't just appear on their own. If you would like to volunteer to help in the kitchen before supper, email our Hospitality Coordinator, Emily Calloway, at ECalloway@cpcchatt.org.

We always are looking for helpers to pitch in and clean up after supper.

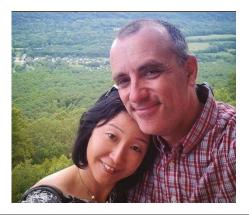
NURSERY SCHEDULE – TODAY

| Worship - 9:15 am | | | Sunday School - 11 am | |
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| Front Desk | Little Lambs | Busy Bees | Little Lambs | Busy Bees |
| Laura Spotts | Leanna Cathey Ellie Wright Lisa Wright | Adam Cathey Matthew Wright Sophie Wright | Amy Creamer Ryan Hostetler | Jonathan McClelland Mollie McClelland |

NURSERY SCHEDULE - May 4

| Worship - 9:15 am | | | Sunday School - 11 am | |
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| Front Desk | Little Lambs | Busy Bees | Little Lambs | Busy Bees |
| | Grace Doran Marie Horton Sandi Schreiner | Marianne Doran Hannah Pittman Nathan Pittman | Selah Cross Brooke Lieving | Joann Mills Jonathan Mills |

MISSIONS



Dan & Mako Gilcrist

Ministry Focus:

Dan serves full-time with ELI and has primary responsibility for three training partnerships in Ghana, Kenya, and Tanzania. He is also responsible for receiving and processing requests from prospective faculty members as well as Christian leaders seeking leadership training partnerships. Mako is responsible for ELI's social media communications in addition to her full-time responsibilities as a mother and registrar at a local school.

Prayer:

- For wisdom and skill of God's grace as Dan takes on new responsibilities as ELI's inaugural Director of Operations;
- For the remaining funds needed for the coming year of ministry, our growing partnership with Bishop Gitonga in Kenya, establishing new partnerships, coordinating our various teams in East Africa



Kevin & May

Ministry Focus:

Kevin and May worked for a number of years among a Muslim people group in a large Asian nation. They and their children have relocated to the Middle East and are busy learning Arabic to enhance their ability to minister among Muslims. They hope to take a break this summer for some rest and renewal.

Prayer:

- For their marriage and family
- For gospel relationships with their neighbors
- For safety in the midst of a dark and sometimes dangerous nation