

The Lord's Service

May 25, 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.

*Call to Worship

1 Chronicles 16.23-25

LEADER: Sing to the Lord, all the earth!

PEOPLE: Tell of his salvation from day to day.

LEADER: Declare his glory among the nations,

PEOPLE: His marvelous works among all the peoples!

LEADER: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised,

PEOPLE: And he is to be feared above all gods.

*Hymn of Adoration

How Great Is Our God

Text and Music: Cash, Reeves, Tomlin (2004)

See page 6

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

by Elder Todd Smith

God Cleanses Us

Call to Confession

Psalms 32.3-5

LEADER: For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. I acknowledged my sin to you, and I

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.

did not cover my iniquity;

PEOPLE: I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the Lord,” and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Private Confession of Sin

Corporate Confession of Sin

from *Family Prayers*, Henry Thornton, London (1837)

We have great reason, O Lord, to be humbled before you, on account of the coldness and insensibility of our hearts, the disorder and irregularity of our lives, and the prevalence of worldly affections within us. Too often have we indulged the tempers which we ought to have subdued, and have left our duty unperformed.

O Lord, be merciful to us for your Son Jesus Christ’s sake. Produce in us deep repentance, and a lively faith in that Savior who has died for our sins, and risen again for our justification. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 32.1-2

LEADER: Lift up your heads and hear the Good News:
“Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.”

The peace of the Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you!

Hymn of Assurance

My Jesus I Love Thee
Hymnal No.648

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.

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

Psalm 8 (p.450)
read by Elder Todd Gaither

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God.

Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

The Majesty and Glory of Your Name

Text: Lee Johnson, Music: Tom Fettke
Sanctuary Choir

*When I gaze into the night sky,
And see the work of Your fingers.
The moon and stars suspended in space.
But what is man that You are mindful of him?*

*You have given man a crown of glory and honor.
And have made him a little lower than the angels.
You have put him in charge of all creation;
The beasts of the field, the birds of the air, the fish of the sea.
But what is man, oh, what is man
That You are mindful of him?*

*O Lord, our God the majesty and glory of Your name
Transcends the earth and fills the heavens.
O Lord, our God little children praise Him perfectly.
And so would we, and so would we. Alleluia.
The majesty and glory of Your name! Alleluia.*

*Doxology

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

by Pastor Travis Hutchinson

Scripture Lesson

Hebrews 2.5-18 (p.1001)

For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. ⁶ It has been testified somewhere,

“What is man, that you are mindful of him,

or the son of man, that you care for him?

⁷ You made him for a little while lower than the angels;
you have crowned him with glory and honor,

⁸ putting everything in subjection under his feet.”

Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. At present, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. ⁹ But we see him who for a little while was made lower than the angels, namely Jesus, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for everyone.

¹⁰ For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the founder of their salvation perfect through suffering. ¹¹ For he who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one source. That is why he is not ashamed to call them brothers, ¹² saying,

“I will tell of your name to my brothers;
in the midst of the congregation I will sing your praise.”

¹³ And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again,

“Behold, I and the children God has given me.”

¹⁴ Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery. ¹⁶ For surely it is not angels that he helps, but he helps the offspring of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore he had to be made like his brothers in every respect, so that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For because he himself has suffered when tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

Sermon

by Pastor Bill Massey

ABLE TO HELP

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.

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.

*Hymn of Response

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
Hymnal No.302

*Confession of Faith Westminster Confession of Faith 12.1

LEADER: Christian, what do you believe?

PEOPLE: **All those that are justified, God guarantees in and for His only Son Jesus Christ, to make partakers of the grace of adoption. By which they are taken into the number and enjoy the liberties and privileges of the children of God; have His name put upon them; receive the Spirit of adoption; have access to the throne of grace with boldness; are enabled to cry, Abba, Father; are pitied, protected, provided for, and chastened by Him as by a father. They are never cast off, but sealed to the day of redemption, and inherit the promises, as heirs of everlasting salvation.**

*Gloria Patri

GREATOR EX

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

Postlude

How Great Is Our God

The splendor of the King,
clothed in majesty;
let all the earth rejoice, all the earth rejoice.
He wraps himself in light
and darkness tries to hide,
and trembles at his voice, and trembles at his voice.

How great is our God,
sing with me: how great is our God.
And all will see how great, how great is our God.

And age to age He stands,
and time is in His hands;
beginning and the end, beginning and the end.
The Godhead, Three in One,
Father, Spirit, Son,
the Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb,

Name above all names, worthy of all praise;
my heart will sing: how great is our God.

Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Jesse Reeves
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SERMON NOTES

Title: Able to Help

Text: Hebrews 2.5-18

Intro: We see that Jesus came to share our earthly nature so that we, through His death and resurrection, may share His heavenly nature. The resurrection of our Savior's humanity is the promise of our resurrection too. The glorification of His humanity is the promise of our glorification.

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*)

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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.

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We invite you to join us next week as Pastor Massey preaches from Hebrews 4.

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, May 25

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
No Sunday School
Youth Middle School Sunday School Teachers Meeting - Room 200 - 11:15 am

Monday, May 27

Church Offices Closed - Memorial Day

Wednesday, May 29

Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal - Room 150 - 7 pm

Friday, May 30

Men's Proverbs Study - Room 105 - 8:30 am
Marriage Seminar - Room 100 - 6:45 pm

Saturday, May 31

Marriage Seminar - Room 100 - 8:30 am

Sunday, June 1

Worship Service - Sanctuary - 9:30 am
Sunday School - visit cpcchatt.org for class list
Atkinson Shower - Hickory Creek Townhomes
Clubhouse - 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

COVENANT LIFE

MARRIAGE SEMINAR

Strengthening Connection & Communication

Sections 1 & 2 of *The Marriage Course* by Nicky & Sila Lee

Fri, May 30 & Sat, May 31
CPC - Room 100 (SFH)

Scan the QR Code or visit www.cpcchatt.org
for more info and to **register by Wed, May 28**



Mark your calendars for our upcoming Marriage Seminar,
Strengthening Connection and Communication

from Sections 1 and 2 of *The Marriage Course* by Nicky and Sila Lee.

Fri, May 30 - 6:45-9:00 pm - Dessert and Seminar

Sat, May 31 - 9:00-11:30 am - Coffee/Snacks and Seminar

The cost is \$25 per couple.

Childcare provided by registration only -- children 10 and under.

For more information, email heather.c.harris73@gmail.com.

COVENANT LIFE

SUNDAY SCHOOL BREAK

All Sunday School classes will take a break between semesters **TODAY**. The summer Sunday School semester begins June 1.

ATKINSON/LANCERO SHOWER

June 1 • 2 pm • Hickory Creek Clubhouse

CPC ladies are invited to a wedding shower for Breezy Atkinson, fiancé of Derrek Lancero at the Hickory Creek Townhomes Clubhouse (6760 Hickory Creek Road, 37421). Derrek and Breezy are registered at Amazon, but gift cards (*Lowe's, Costco, Target, Sam's, Walmart, etc.*) are welcome since they will be moving to Hawaii, where Derrek is stationed, after the wedding. Need more info - contact Judy Foster.

SWIM DAY AT THE MAYS'

Thurs, Jun 5 • 11 am - 4 pm

Peg May has graciously opened her pool for CPC families to enjoy.

Swim Day is every Thursday through August 7 and is open 11:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Parents, this is NOT a drop-off event. You are responsible for supervising your children and for cleaning up after yourself.

MUSIC CAMP

June 2-6, 2025

For children entering Kindergarten through 6th Grade

REGISTRATION

All children entering kindergarten through entering 6th grade are invited to attend Music Camp. **Scan the QR code to register by May 28.** If you have any questions or need help, please contact the church office.



VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

If you are interested in volunteering to help during Music Camp, scan the QR Code to sign-up or contact the church office. For more information, contact Mindy Horton (horton.melynda@gmail.com).



CPC IRON MEN

- SUMMER VIDEO SERIES -

Thu, Jun 5 • 6:30 pm • Room 126

This summer, Jun 5 - Aug 21, the Iron Men (CPC Men's Ministry) will be watching and discussing select Forge Ministry videos by Pete Alwinson.

FORGE is a weekly gathering of Christ-following men of all ages and backgrounds who are being shaped by the Father into the men they want to be and were originally designed to be. Their goal is to build great men as God defines greatness!

COVENANT LIFE

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Sat, June 7 • 8:30 am • Room 100

Nathan England, a newer member of CPC, will share about "Opening Our Eyes to God's Providence." He was converted at age 43 and began to follow God's plan for him, which led him away from academia, the US/Mexico border, and a life of unrepentant sin to North Georgia. Join us for this encouraging time of fellowship. Young men in high school are also invited to join us. Cost: \$5.

LADIES SUMMER STUDY

Tue, Jun 17 • 10 am • Room 122

Ladies, we hope you can join us for a summer book study using *Daughters of the Covenant* by Susan Hunt, led by Ann Kistner and Pat Barber. The purpose of this study is to learn how God's covenant promises and principles inform and influence every role and relationship. Contact Ann Kistner at gakistner@gmail.com to order a book or for more information.

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.

CONGRATULATIONS

The rose placed on the chancel is in honor of the birth of Isaac Walter Ingram, son of Calvin and Hannah Ingram, born May 12.

CELEBRATIONS CALENDAR

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

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

The church offices will be closed Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day.

COVENANT LIFE

SUMMER ACTIVITIES

- PRAY FOR THESE UPCOMING TRIPS/EVENTS -

MUSIC CAMP

Jun 2-6

Music Camp is geared toward children Kindergarten through 6th grade. Pray for the adult and student volunteers staffing this tremendous outreach to our community, that God's word will impact the hearts of the children who attend.

THE EDGE (MS CONFERENCE)

Jun 16-20

Our Middle School students will participate in this youth conference at Covenant College. Pray for this focused time of learning and relationship building.

PCA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Jun 23-27

Several of our church leadership will be participating in the PCA General Assembly in Chattanooga, TN. Pray for wisdom and God's leading as they discuss and vote on various overtures.

HS BEACH RETREAT

Jul 5-9

Our High School students will travel to Isle of Palms, South Carolina for a beach retreat (with a schedule very similar to RYM). Pray for this focused time of learning and relationship building.

NURSERY SCHEDULE - TODAY

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Tammy Bacon	Mindy Haywood Stephen Haywood Madelyn Horton	Jeannie Hall Lauren Warren Tim Warren	No Nursery	No Nursery

NURSERY SCHEDULE - June 1

Worship - 9:15 am			Sunday School - 11 am	
Front Desk	Little Lambs	Busy Bees	Little Lambs	Busy Bees
Bekah Gernhard	Sophia Cross Eleanor Gernhard Tammy Knotts	Debbie Gardner Dawn Reynolds Bea Sanders	Maria Lopez Tello Jose Romero Núñez	David Gernhard Barrett Hostetler

MISSIONS



David & Eowyn Stoddard
Germany

Ministry Focus:

The Stoddards have served with MTW in Berlin, Germany since 2001 as church planters. David currently serves as international director for Europe, overseeing MTW's vision, strategy, and personnel. Eowyn assists David in his role and supports church-planting through evangelism, teaching, and women's initiatives.

Last year they began a church-planting work in Munich.

Prayer:

- For increased support for their new location in Munich
- For new "seeker" relationships in Munich
- For their grown children: Jesse, Liam, Alethea, Emma, and Ethan



Christine et al.
Uganda

Ministry Focus:

We are teaching a Vacation Bible School on "Faith in Action! What is it? Do You Have It? How Do You Get It?"

We have 50 young girls from the Refugee Camp coming over to help us with the VBS games and crafts. Most speak English, but I am sure it is broken English. Otherwise it is communicating in multiple languages thru several translators. Pray for communication grace. Pray language barriers do not hinder the week.

Prayer:

- For safety in all travels
- For hearts and minds open to God's Word
- For the 200 children registered to attend

