



*We are a body of believers
located in northern Harris County
called by the Holy Spirit and
transformed by the Gospel to glorify and enjoy God
as we proclaim the Good News of salvation through Jesus Christ.*

Sunday, March 31, 2024

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRELUDE

Crown Him Lord of All!
(Ellor, Holden; arr. by Larson)

*Janice Bradshaw
Brooke Lewis*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Brooke Lewis

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Revelation 1:17-18,*

*“When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead.
But he laid his right hand on me, saying
“Fear not, I am the first and the last, and the living one.
I died, and behold I am alive forevermore,
and I have the keys of Death and Hades.”*

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

Leader: This is the day the Lord has made; we rejoice and are glad in it.

People: **This is the Lord’s Day!**

**All praise to him who died that death may die,
and who was raised that the dead may live!**

Leader: This is the Lord’s Day! He is risen!

All: **He is risen, indeed!**

✦ SONGS OF ADORATION

*Congregation
Rohan Kiefer, Trumpeter*

Up from the Grave He Arose (Hymn #276)
(Lowry)

Christ the Lord is Risen Today (Hymn #277, verses 1, 3, and 4)
(Wesley, Davidica)

DECLARATION OF GOD’S LAW

Ruling Elder Erik Haaland

2 Peter 1:5-7

Make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge, and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness, and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection with love.

✦ *Please stand if able*

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*Worship begins
where spiritual
life begins - with
God’s call.
Appropriately,
we respond with
prayers and
songs of
adoration.*

*“Give me
understanding
that I may keep
your law and
observe it with
my whole heart.”
Psalm 119:34*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Erik Haaland

Leader: God of glory, you have demonstrated your love for us by sending your Son to give his life as a ransom for many, to take away the sins of the world. You call us to live in view of the reconciliation. Jesus has accomplished by his life, death, and resurrection.

People: **Gracious Lord, we confess that we are forgetful, and we are prone to living as though we are unforgiven and still under the dominion of sin, and we neglect the great benefits that are ours as your sons and daughters. Forgive us, we pray.**

Leader: Father, we ask that by your Spirit you would remind us that in Christ we have been set free from the law of sin and death, that we have been adopted as your children, and that we are no longer enslaved to sin. Hear now our silent prayers of personal confession, and forgive us for the sake of Jesus, who gave himself for us...

silent confession of personal sin

...amen.

God's law reveals God's righteous requirement. We confess our failure to keep God's law, and joyfully receive the good news of what God has done for us in Christ.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Erik Haaland

Romans 6:22-23

But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

"Let your steadfast love come to me, O LORD, your salvation according to your promise."
Psalm 119:41

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Erik Haaland

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Rohan Kiefer, Trumpeter

Worship Christ, the Risen King! (Hymn #286, verses 1, 3, and 5)
(Hayford, Smart)

Crown Him with Many Crowns (Hymn #295, verses 1, 2, and 4)
(Bridges, Elvey)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Reed Wykes

*We are called to
be faithful
stewards of
God's Word.
Therefore, we
eagerly and
unashamedly
read and
proclaim the
whole counsel of
Scripture.*

*Having received
God's blessing,
we depart
blessing the
name of the
Lord.*

OFFERTORY	<i>The Bells of Easter</i> (Peterson, Shive; arr. Duren)	<i>Bell Choir Sanctuary Choir</i>
✦ SONG OF PRAISE	<i>The Doxology</i> (Hymn #731) (Ken, Bourgeois)	<i>Congregation</i>
BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN	<i>After the blessing you are welcome to send your children ages 4-8 to Children's Worship or they may remain with you. Children will be returned to the Sanctuary after the sermon.</i>	<i>Pastor Ben</i>
SCRIPTURE TEXT	Romans 4:16-25	<i>Pastor Ben</i>
SERMON	<i>Raised for our Justification</i>	<i>Pastor Ben</i>
✦ SONG OF RESPONSE	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King</i> (Hymn #310, verses 1, 3, and 5) (Wesley, Darwall)	<i>Congregation Rohan Kiefer, Trumpeter</i>
✦ BENEDECTION		<i>Pastor Ben</i>
✦ SONG OF BLESSING	<i>Gloria Patri</i> (Hymn #735) (Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)	<i>Congregation</i>
POSTLUDE		<i>Janice Bradshaw</i>

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Sermon Notes

Raised for our Justification

March 31, 2024

Romans 4:16-25

Announcements

Monday, April 1	
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
Tuesday, April 2	
Women's Bible Study Room 119	9:30am
Men's Book Study Room 119	7:00pm
Wednesday, April 3	
Enfuego Youth Meal Fellowship Hall	6:15pm
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Enfuego Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Thursday, April 4	
Women's Bible Study Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, April 5	
Saturday, April 6	
Sunday, April 7	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages Education Bldg.	11:00am

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

Happy Easter! We are so glad that you are here to celebrate our risen Lord with us today!

Easter Photos

TODAY, in the Narthex

Please help yourselves to the beautiful photo backdrop in the Narthex for some fun Easter photos with family and friends!
(Bring your own camera!)

Baby Shower - Katelyn Schaeffer

Sunday, April 14, 12pm, Annex

Contact: Susy Tousha

Ladies, Bring a salad to share and join us to honor Katelyn and shower her with love as she prepares for her baby boy! Diapers and wipes are welcome!

Trumpeter - Rohan Kiefer

Please join us in welcoming our guest trumpeter, Rohan Kiefer, here to enhance our Easter worship.

Children's Summer Programs

Use QR Codes below *OR* go to the Children's Ministry Page of our church website to register.

VBS: Olympion 2024

Monday-Friday, June 24-28, 9am-noon

Contact: Ashley Lin

SCPC students age 4 yrs. through entering 6th grade are invited to "Go for the Gold" with us at our Olympion Vacation Bible School adventure this summer! The cost is \$15/student or \$30/family.

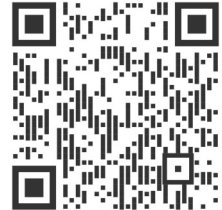


Created for a Purpose

Monday-Friday, July 15-19, 9:00am-1:30pm

Contact: Felicity Bodden or Amy Haaland

Created for a Purpose is a ministry that shares the gospel of Jesus Christ with girls who have completed 3rd-8th grade through creative art projects, sound biblical teaching, worship and small groups. SCPC Member cost \$100/student.



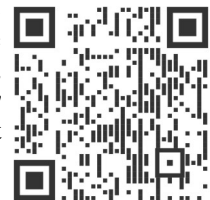
*****Register for CFAP by MIDNIGHT TONIGHT** to take advantage of the member-only discounted cost and guaranteed placement! General Registration begins tomorrow, **THESE CLASSES WILL FILL UP!**

Built for a Purpose

Monday-Friday, July 15-18, 5:00pm-8:30pm

Contact: Erik Haaland or Kyle Bodden

Built for a Purpose is four nights just for the guys who have completed 2nd-7th grade to build, worship, learn, play, and enjoy time together. SCPC Member cost \$90/student.



Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Pray for our Hospitality Team - Pray for the Lord to bless and encourage this team as they work to create a warm, welcoming environment and provide opportunities for our church family to fellowship together.

Pray for Our Congregation

Cindy Peterson - PRAISE that Cindy is home. Continued prayer for complete healing.

Byerly Family - PRAISE that daughter, *Hannah*, had successful surgery and quick recovery, pray that with tubes now in her ears she will no longer have recurrent ear infections.

Kritzinger Family - PRAISE - *Danika* was born Monday, February 26. Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family.

Wykes Family - PRAISE - *Winry Odette* was born Monday, March 4. Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family.

Steve Williams - Pray for strength, courage, and healing during chemotherapy treatments.

Naomi Seeland - PRAISE that Naomi's mouth is healing well from recent surgery.

Clairice Chapelle - Pray for recovery for a shoulder injury from a recent fall.

Leslee Stollberg - Pray for healing from broken ankle.

Neal Benedict - Please pray for favor with the UAMS transplant center.

Ongoing health concerns: *Neal Benedict, René & Clairice Chapelle, Jeff Kuhn, Rick & Jeanne Maddy,*

Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Ebenezer Musima, Mary Spiritosanto.

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Washington

Levi Camden, National Guard, Texas

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Felix Espino, Army Reserves, Texas

Joshua Duncan, Army, North Carolina

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Jessy Wykes, Army, Germany

Pray for Our College Students

Claire Achterkirch, Samford University

Rebekah Allcorn, Abilene Christian University

Kyle Benedict, Lone Star College

Ben Chandler, Samford University

Jenna Haaland, Samford University

Aiden Steagall, Texas A&M

Izzy Tousha, Texas State

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Friends & Family

Becky Esteves' *Grandma Vera* is in Brazil trying to find good healthcare. Pray that she will remain safe and that she will find the healthcare she needs.

Pray for Our Expectant Mothers

Brooke Lewis, due in April

Katelyn Schaeffer, due in May

Daniela McConnell, due in June

Elizabeth Basham, due in July

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Mission to the World, Aaron & Rachel Halbert

-Wisdom as we think about where to plant the next church and adding more people to our team.

-Seminary plans - Josué is studying at Puritan Reformed in Grand Rapids with plans to return to help get the seminary off the ground.

-Rachel and the kids as she continues to homeschool them. Pray for grace and energy and patience amongst all of them.

-More leaders in our local congregation. We need more elders and deacons.

-Pray we would be faithful and holy.

Email prayer requests to susan@springcypresschurch.com

General Information

To our visitors:

Welcome, we're so glad you're here today!

- Stop by the Visitor's Center in the Narthex for a free gift!
- Please complete a connect/prayer card if you want us to be in touch, and so we know how we can pray for you.
- If you do not have a Bible of your own, please take one of the pew Bibles home with you today.

To learn more about us and our ministries, visit our website, springcypresschurch.com

To see how our church participates in the global cause for Christ, check out the touch-screen monitor in the Narthex

Like and follow us on Facebook:

Spring Cypress Church

Restrooms are located in the Narthex.

Parents of Young Children:

- Nursery is available in the Children's Wing for children 4 years and younger.
- A cry room, located on the piano side of the sanctuary, is available for parents with young children.
- Children ages 4-8 are welcome to go to Children's Worship prior to the sermon, and they are returned to the Sanctuary near the end of the service. On Communion Sundays (first of each month), children will remain with their families so that they regularly participate in corporate worship with our entire church family!

Giving at SCPC:

We present our offerings as an act of worship, expressing our thankfulness for God's provision, our trust for God to meet all our needs, and our desire to be used of God for the furtherance of His kingdom on earth.

You may place your gift in the offering plate, mail a check to the church office, or give online at springcypresschurch.com/give.

Our Church Leadership & Staff

Our Session

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If you've lost or misplaced an item, please check with the office.

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