



*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 19, 2023

## Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

*Janice Bradshaw*

### PRELUDE

*Robin Trygstad*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Ruling Elder Justin Chandler*

### PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

*Robin Trygstad*

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,  
and reflect on 1 Kings 8:56,*

*“Blessed be the Lord who has given rest to his people Israel,  
according to all that he promised.*

*Not one word has failed of all his good promise,  
which he spoke by Moses his servant.”*

### ✦CALL TO WORSHIP

*Justin Chandler*

*based on Psalm 136:3-4*

Leader: Praise the Lord, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

People: **For great is his steadfast love towards us,**

Leader: and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

All: **Praise the LORD!**

### ✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Justin Chandler*

### ✦SONGS OF ADORATION

*Congregation*

***Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee***

*(van Dyke, Beethoven)*

***By Faith***

*(Getty, Getty, Townend)*

### DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

*Justin Chandler*

*James 1:13-14*

Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one. But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

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

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

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✦Please stand if able

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Justin Chandler*

Leader: Almighty God, we often blame you and others  
for our sins and shortcomings.

People: **However, you tempt no person,  
and our sinful actions and decisions are ours alone.**

Leader: Father, forgive us for casting the blame for our sinful  
and rebellious actions on you or other people.  
Cause us to turn towards you in faith, love, and obedience.  
Hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

*silent confession of personal sin*

...amen.

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*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.*

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**PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL**

*Justin Chandler*

*1 John 1:7*

But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one  
another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

**PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD**

*Justin Chandler*

*concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

**✠SONG OF THANKSGIVING**

*O Great God*  
(Kauflin)

*Congregation*

**DIACONAL PRAYER**

*Deacon David Jones*

**OFFERTORY**

*O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High*  
(Larson)

*Choir*

O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
that God would come to earth to die;  
to take the form of humankind: the Son of God, O love divine!

Christ bore our sins, He bore our shame;  
a Man of sorrows, bless His name!

For by His stripes our hearts are healed, and by His blood our souls are sealed!

*How marvelous, how wonderful! And my song shall ever be;  
how marvelous, how wonderful is my Savior's love for me.*

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

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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.

O love, how deep, how broad, how high,  
 the Lamb of God is crucified.  
 For me He died upon the cross; for me He suffered pain and loss.  
*O the deep, deep love of Jesus, vast unmeasured, boundless, and free.  
 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, the Son of God, O love divine!*

<b>✦ SONG OF PRAISE</b>	<b><i>The Doxology</i></b> (Hymn #731) (Ken, Bourgeois)	<i>Congregation</i>
<b>BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN</b>		<i>Justin Chandler</i> <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>
<b>SCRIPTURE TEXT</b>		<i>Teaching Elder Ken Thurman</i> Judges 3:12-31
<b>SERMON</b>	<i>Ehud</i>	<i>Rev. Thurman</i>
<b>✦ SONG OF RESPONSE</b>	<b><i>Lead on, O King Eternal</i></b> (Hymn #580) (Shurtleff, Smart)	<i>Congregation</i>
<b>✦ BENEDICTION</b>		<i>Rev. Thurman</i>
<b>✦ SONG OF BLESSING</b>	<b><i>Gloria Patri</i></b> (Hymn #735) (Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)	<i>Congregation</i>
<b>POSTLUDE</b>		<i>Janice Bradshaw</i>

# **Sermon Notes**

**Ehud**

March 19, 2023

Judges 3:12-31

## Announcements

<b>Monday, March 20</b>	
Session Meeting Pastor's Office	7:00pm
<b>Tuesday, March 21</b>	
Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
Men's Bible Study Room 118	7:00pm
<b>Wednesday, March 22</b>	
Youth Group Youth Building	6:15pm
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
<b>Thursday, March 23</b>	
Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
<b>Friday, March 24</b>	
<b>Saturday, March 25</b>	
Youth Group Event-Roller Skating	3:00pm
<b>Sunday, March 26</b>	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am
Harris Baby Shower Fellowship Hall Annex	12:00pm

### **March Fellowship Meal**

**TODAY at 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall**

Join us for our first Fellowship Meal of 2023! Come enjoy BBQ pork and chicken and all the fixin's!

### **Mission Trip to Honduras - July 1-8, 2023**

**Contact: Justin, [justin@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:justin@springcypresschurch.com)**

There are still slots available for members of SCPC to go on a short-term mission trip this summer to support Aaron & Rachel Halbert, PCA Missions to the World missionaries in Honduras. If interested please **contact Justin no later than TODAY** to get details.

### **Sip 'n See with Christine & Gabriella Harris**

**NEXT SUNDAY, March 26, 12:00pm**

**Fellowship Hall Annex**

**Contact: Zoe**

Ladies, join us in welcoming baby Gabriella to our covenant family. Please bring a salad to share for a potluck luncheon. If you wish to bring a gift, the Harris family is registered with Amazon.

### **Children's Choir Rehearsal**

**Sundays, TODAY and March 26, after worship, Sanctuary**

**Contact: Robin, [robin@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:robin@springcypresschurch.com)**

The children of SCPC will help lead us in worship on Palm Sunday, April 2nd! There is a rehearsal in the Sanctuary following worship TODAY and next Sunday, March 26th.

### **VBS - Summer SeaQuest - Volunteer Survey**

**Monday-Friday, June 19-23. 9am-noon**

**Contact: Ashley Lin**

There are multiple opportunities to help before and during VBS week. Complete the **VBS Volunteer Survey** on our website [springcypresschurch.com/vbs](http://springcypresschurch.com/vbs) or contact Ashley to be a part of this wonderful program!

### **Save the Dates for Purpose Week!**

**Monday-Friday, July 10-14**

**Created for a Purpose, mornings**

**Contact: Amy Haaland**

*Girls who have completed 3rd-8th grade*

Watch your email this week for registration information exclusively for SCPC members.

**Built for a Purpose, evenings**

**Contact: Erik Haaland, [erik@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:erik@springcypresschurch.com)**

*Boys who have completed 3rd-8th grade*

### **Youth Group Event - Roller Skating**

**Saturday, March 25, 3-5pm**

**Skate Champions, 5504 Fellowship Lane, Spring**

**Cost: \$10/student**

**Contact: Felix**

Junior and Senior High students - make plans to join us for an afternoon of fun! If you need help with transportation, contact Felix.

### **Officer Nominations**

The selection of men to serve in the offices of Elder or Deacon is the duty and privilege of the members of the congregation of SCPC. Officer Nomination forms are available in the Narthex and contain more information about the process and qualifications. **All nominations must be received by March 31, 2023.**

# Prayer

## **Pray for Our Church**

*Our Diaconate* - Pray for our deacons as they fulfill their calling to care for the many and varied physical needs of our church and congregation.

## **Pray for Our Congregation**

*Neal Benedict* - for successful surgery to remove bladder cancer on March 24th.

*Michael & Laurie Byerly* - for the development of their baby's heart and for a full-term pregnancy.

*Cara Dobson* - complete healing of arm and shoulder.

*Christine & Daniel Harris, Gideon* - PRAISE Gabriella Elizabeth was born Thursday, March 2nd! Christine and Gabriella are doing well. Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family.

*Jeanne Maddy* - complete healing of fractured leg.

*John Morrison* - successful treatment of prostate cancer.

*Mary Spiritosanto & family* - comfort and peace as they mourn the loss of Jim Spiritosanto.

*Eleanor Tracey & family* - comfort and peace as they mourn the loss of her mother Christena Craik.

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chapelle, Rose Gregory, Jeff Kuhn, Rick & Jeanne Maddy,*

*Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Mary Spiritosanto.*

## **Pray for Our Military and First Responders**

*Peter Achterkirch*, Army, Washington

*Christian Cory*, Army, New York

*Chris Dietz*, Navy Reserves, Texas

*Joshua Duncan*, Army, Georgia

*Shawn Maya*, Spring Fire Department

*Jessy Wykes*, Army, Europe

## **Pray for Our College Students**

*Charlotte Achterkirch*, Samford University

*Claire Achterkirch*, Samford University

*Zach Allan*, Tarleton State University

*Rebekah Duncan*, Montana State University

*Austin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University

*Justin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University

*Jenna Haaland*, Samford University

*Rebekah Kooiman*, Abilene Christian University

*Ayden Steagall*, Lone Star College

*AJ Tousha*, Lone Star College

*Izzy Tousha*, Lone Star College

## **Pray for Our Expectant Mothers**

*Kathryn Ritchie* is due in April.

*Laurie Byerly* is due in June.

## **Pray for Our Family & Friends**

Andy & Kyra Moncrief's son, *Cason Moncrief* - PRAISE - he got engaged!

## **Pray for Way & Amy Rutherford, *Reformed University Fellowship, Baylor University, Waco, TX***

**Praise** and thanks to God for a great fall semester and a great Fall Conference weekend, successful outreach to freshmen and new students, fruitful sermon series through Luke, and evidence of His work in the students' hearts in countless ways.

**Pray** that God will work in the hearts and minds of the students through the upcoming sermon series, for our intern Justin Blizzard and staff person Olivia Shields, for the seniors who will be graduating in a few of months, for students to become members of the Ministry team, and for Summer Conference in Panama City Beach, FL in May.

## 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](http://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](http://springcypresschurch.com/give).

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## Our Church Leadership & Staff

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