



*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, June 25, 2023

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRELUDE

Brooke Lewis

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Brooke Lewis

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Mark 11:8-9,*

*And many spread their cloaks on the road,
and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.
And those who went before and those who followed were shouting,
"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!"*

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

Isaiah 40:10-11

Leader: Behold, the Lord God comes with might,
and his arm rules for him!

People: Behold, his reward is with him, and his recompense before him.

Leader: He will tend his flock like a shepherd;
he will gather the lambs in his arms.

All: He will carry them in his bosom,
and gently lead those that are with young.

✦ SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

How Great Thou Art (Hymn #44, vs. 1, 3, and 4)
(Hine)

Crown Him with Many Crowns (Hymn #295)
(Bridges, Elvey)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Danny McDaniel

Joel 2:12-13

"Yet even now," declares the Lord,
return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
and rend your hearts and not your garments."

*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*

✦ Please stand if able

Return to the Lord your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;
and he relents over disaster.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Danny McDaniel

Leader: Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin,
but in You there is an even greater abundance of mercy.

People: **Though you implore us to turn to you in repentance,
yet so often we prefer to justify ourselves
and do what seems right in our eyes.**

Leader: Lord, strengthen us, and warm us,
that we might hate our sin and turn to you
in humble faith and repentance.
Father, hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

...amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Danny McDaniel

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Danny McDaniel

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✠SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty (Hymn #53, vs. 1, 2, 4, and 5)

(Neander, *Stralsund Gesanbuch*)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Bob Pickard

OFFERTORY

Behold with the Clouds of Heaven
(Glass)

Guy Glass

*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.*

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

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

✦ SONG OF PRAISE	<i>The Doxology</i> (Hymn #731) (Ken, Bourgeois)	<i>Congregation</i>
BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN		<i>Pastor Ben</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>	
SCRIPTURE TEXT	Matthew 12:1-21	<i>Pastor Ben</i>
SERMON	<i>Sabbath Controversies</i>	<i>Pastor Ben</i>
✦ SONG OF RESPONSE	<i>His Mercy is More</i> (Papa, Boswell)	<i>Congregation</i>
✦ BENEDICTION		<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>

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

Sermon Notes

June 25, 2023

Sabbath Controversies

Matthew 12:1-21

Announcements

Monday, June 26	
Tuesday, June 27	
Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
Men's Bible Study Room 118	7:00pm
Wednesday, June 28	
Thursday, June 29	
Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, June 30	
Saturday, July 1	
Sunday, July 2	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
NO Sunday School	

THANK YOU to Ashley Lin and to everyone who volunteered for VBS, whether through donations, decorations, or lovingly serving with the children on campus! It was a joyful and amazing week for the 55+ children who attended as they heard the gospel each day and experienced God's love through the volunteers' sacrificial service. Praise God!

Hymn Sing

Sunday, July 16, 6pm, Sanctuary

Make plans to join us for hymn singing, prayer, and worship! Pastor Ben will also share highlights from the 2023 PCA General Assembly he attended in Memphis earlier this month.

Safety Team Volunteers

Contact: David Jones,

david.j@springcypresschurch.com

Men, more volunteers are needed for our Safety Team. If interested in learning more about how you can serve the church body in this way, contact David Jones.

SAVE THE DATES IN JULY

Mark your calendars!

Sunday, July 2

No Sunday School (Independence Day weekend)

Sunday, July 9

Sunday School resumes and continues through the end of July.

Monday-Friday, July 10-14

Created for a Purpose (9am-1:30pm)

Built for a Purpose (5-8:30pm)

Sunday, July 16, 6pm

Hymn Sing and highlights from the PCA General Assembly

Women in the Word (Ladies' Bible Study)

Tuesday mornings at 9:30am, July 18 & 25

Thursday evenings at 7pm, July 20 & 27

Men's Bible Study

Tuesday evenings at 7pm, July 18 & 25

Youth Group

Wednesday Night Gathering, July 19, 6:15pm

Pool Party, Saturday, July 22

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Our women - Pray that our women mature into the women God has called and created them to be as they bring glory to God in their families, our church, and our community.

Pray for Our Congregation

Erin Burnett - healing of her back and wrist injuries due to a recent accident.

Laurie, Michael Byerly & family - PRAISE - Hannah Jane was born Wednesday, June 7 weighing in at 5 lbs 11 oz. Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family.

Virginia Faries - healing following surgery to remove her gall bladder.

Jeanne Maddy - healing following extensive leg surgery.

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chapelle, Jeff Kuhn, Barbara Langford, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, John Morrison, Mark Morrow, Mary Spiritosanto.*

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Washington

Joshua Duncan, Army, North Carolina

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Jessy Wykes, Army, Kentucky

Pray for Our College Students

Claire Achterkirch, Samford University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University

Rebekah Duncan, Blinn College

Aiden Steagall, Lone Star College

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Izzy Tousha, Lone Star College

Jenna Haaland, Samford University

Pray for Our Friends & Family

Vincent & Eleanor Tracey's grandson *Elijah* - Pray for wisdom for his medical team as they diagnosis and treat a brain tumor. Pray for complete healing.

Heather Burch's sister *Kerri* - Pray for comfort following a miscarriage.

Kay Duncan's mother *Nita LeClere* - PRAISE for successful surgery and no cancer; pray for healing.

Martha Dietz nine-year-old friend *Kate Tracey* - PRAISE for healing and full recovery from having had a brain tumor.

Friend of Ayles' family *Jimmy Brennan* - Pray for restored health.

Kevin Bailey - Pray for strengthening of his faith and perseverance as he begins Bible college.

Pray for Tim & Cheri Hoke, African Bible University

- A large incoming Freshman class (and tuition support, as many students can't afford the full \$2,000/year).
- Additional faculty to continue to grow the curriculum.
- Safe travel back to Uganda.
- Health and strength as Tim and Cheri continue to carry full academic loads.
- Biblical training of men who will lead their own congregations in Uganda and neighboring East African countries.
- Biblical training of other students who serve Christ in the fields of Christian Education, Communication, and Business.

Email prayer requests to robin@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

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