



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

Sunday, March 8, 2020

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRELUDE

Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Janice Bradshaw

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Hebrews 13:15,*

*“Through Jesus then
let us continually offer up a sacrifice of praise to God,
that is, the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.”*

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

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Hebrews 12:28-29

Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

The God of Abraham Praise (Hymn #34, verses 1, 2, and 6)
(Olivers, Lyon)

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God (Hymn #92)
(Luther)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Erik Haaland

1 Chronicles 28:9

And you, Solomon my son, know the God of your father and serve him with a whole heart and with a willing mind, for the LORD searches all hearts and understands every plan and thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will cast you off forever.

✦*Please stand if able*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Erik Haaland

Leader: Almighty God, you are intimately aware of all our ways,
with our thinking and speaking,
with our actions and attitudes.

You search us, and know us,
and no part of us is hidden from your sight.

**People: We recognize that even our best thoughts and our best deeds
are tainted by sin.**

Father, we ask for your grace and mercy.

Leader: Lord, by the work of your Holy Spirit
please search our hearts and reveal to us
those things which keep us from you
and restore us to yourself as we silently confess our personal sins...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Erik Haaland

John 5:24

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Erik Haaland

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

(Townend)

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Deacon Brett Kerr

OFFERTORY

O Love Divine

Sanctuary Choir

(text by Fanny Crosby, Irish folk tune arranged by John Hudson)

O love divine amazing love, that brought to earth from heaven above
The Son of God for us to die that we might dwell on high.

Text continues on the next page.

*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.*

Sermon Notes

March 8, 2020

Encouraged with Assurance

Evidence of Election, Part 3

Monday, March 9	
SAA Meeting (Youth Building)	7:30pm
Tuesday, March 10	
Women in the Word (B119-121) (childcare available by reservation)	9:30am
CODA Meeting (Youth Building)	7:30pm
Wednesday, March 11	
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm
Discovering SCPC (B119-121)	7:00pm
Praise Team Rehearsal	8:00pm
Thursday, March 12	
MOPS (B119-121)	10:00am
Women in the Word (B115)	7:00pm
Diaconate Meeting (Pastor's Office)	7:00pm
Friday, March 13	
Saturday, March 14	
Sunday, March 15	
Praise Team Rehearsal	8:30am
Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal	8:45am
Pray with the Elders (Pastor's Office)	9:00am
Sunday School for All Ages	9:30am
Worship	10:30am
Monthly Fellowship Meal	12:00pm

Pictures!

Today is the last day to have your picture taken for our church directory.

Praise & Worship

TONIGHT at 6:00 pm, The Gallery

Make plans to join us for an evening of singing, prayer, and worship!

2020 Baby Bottle Campaign

Thanks to you we contributed \$1,246 to support Pregnancy Assistance Center North (PACN) through their Baby Bottle Campaign! Please return to the church office any empty baby bottles you may have so we they can be returned to PACN.

Pavilion Resurfacing ongoing!

Thank you for staying off of the pavilion until next Sunday while the resurfacing is completed.

Monthly Fellowship Meal

NEXT Sunday, March 15, after worship, Fellowship Hall

Join us next week for our Monthly Fellowship Meal. You may sign up to bring a dish in the Narthex or by responding to the email sent March 2nd.

Wednesday Night Youth Meals

There are only a couple slots remaining! *Thank you* to everyone who signed up to support our youth!

Hospitality Team Opportunities

Contact Tracy, schroederleeallen@gmail.com

It's an exciting time to be at SCPC! Our church family is growing and so also are the opportunities to serve. From greeting visitors to making coffee, from setting up refreshments at Praise & Worship nights to helping with our annual picnic - **there's a place for you** to use your gift of hospitality on a regular or occasional basis. Contact Tracy to see where you can plug in!

Built for a Purpose (BFAP) Brainstorming Session

Contact Erik, erik@springcypresschurch.com

Calling all men! Join us on Saturday, March 21 at 6pm for chili and a BFAP brainstorming session. We have an opportunity to launch a new program designed to teach boys that they are built by God in his image, for a purpose, but we need your help!

Missionary Presentation

March 22, 9:30-10:15am, The Forum

We will have a combined Sunday School class for all adults and youth to hear from our Missionary of the Month, RUF campus minister *Way Rutherford*. He will share with us the various aspects of his ministry at Baylor University.

Youth Group Summer Mission Trip June 21-27

Contact Justin Chandler, justinhchandler@gmail.com or Susy Tousha, stousha@gmail.com

We will be serving with an inner city ministry called Hope for Opelousas (hopeforopelousas.org) in Opelousas, LA. Cost is \$50 to help cover gas and food. Registration will open this week.

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

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

Daniel Duncan - encouragement and strength to complete physical fitness tests

Eldon & Virginia Faries - PRAISE - Eldon is home - PRAY for healing of respiratory issues for Virginia

Kovach family - repairs to home because of water damage be completed in a timely manner

Rita Rivera - peace and comfort following the deaths of her mother Victoria and brother Roy

Rick & Jeanne Maddy - continued success with rehabilitation and complete healing of Jeanne's knee.

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Christian Cory, *Army, New York*

Daniel Duncan, *Navy, Illinois*

Chris Dietz, *Navy Reserves, Kingsville, Texas*

Shawn Maya, *Spring Fire Department*

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, *Samford University*

Jacob Kerr, *Texas A&M University*

Peter Achterkirch, *The Citadel*

Matthew Kooiman, *Olivet Nazarene University*

Ian Allan, *Calvin University*

Aaron Lewis, *Texas Tech University*

Zach Allan, *Tarleton State University*

Lauren Steagall, *University of Houston*

Austin Gatlin, *Louisiana State University*

AJ Tousha, *Lone Star College*

Justin Gatlin, *Louisiana State University*

Naomi Tousha, *University of Houston*

Hannah Haaland, *Belhaven University*

Pray for Families and Friends

Patrick & Mindy Burton's daughter, Mackelle - pray for healing and wisdom regarding her treatment

Mike & Gail Hume's son's fiancé, Akane - pray for safety as Akane and her fellow medical colleagues treat and are exposed to the coronavirus.

Rita Rivera's nephew, Steven, and sister, Juanita - pray for Steven's complete healing following a car accident and peace and comfort for his mother Juanita.

Jess McGlothlin's mother, Karen - PRAISE - Karen's CT scan showed that the cancer has shrunk from previous scans and her platelets are now back in the normal range. Pray that upcoming radiation treatments will be successful.

Kristen Chandler's nephew Ethan - Pray for restoration of hearing in his right ear, wisdom regarding the possibility of a cochlear implant, comfort and peace for Ethan and his family.

Shelley Steagall's parents, Charles and Laura Parker - Pray for healing (Charles-pancreatitis and Laura-eye pain and optic nerve damage from shingles) and for wisdom for their medical teams.

Beverly Crowder's mother and father, Carolyn and Tom - Pray for healing, strength, and peace for Carolyn as well as patience and longsuffering for Tom's caretakers. (SCPC supports the Crowder's work in Africa.)

Pray for our Missionary of the Month

Way Rutherford, Reformed University Fellowship, Baylor University

Pray that God will continue to work as the Rutherfords share and teach God's Word, mentor the Ministry Team, lead weekly meetings, and meet individually with students.

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 located in the pew in front of you.

If you do not have a Bible of your own, please take one of the pew Bibles home with you today.

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

A large print bulletin is available in the Narthex.

Restrooms are located in the narthex.

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

Like and follow us on Facebook: *Spring Cypress Church*

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 mothers with infants.
- Children ages 4-8 are welcome to go to Children's Worship prior to the sermon. They return to the Sanctuary near the end of the service.

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.

If you would like to give via check, please make your check payable to SCPC. Online giving is available at easytithe.com/scpc.

Our Church Leadership & Staff

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

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