



*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, September 4, 2022

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRELUDE

Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

Pastor Ben

David & Eowyn Stoddard
PCA Mission to the World, Europe

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Robin Trygstad

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on 2 Timothy 3:14-15,*

*“But as for you, continue in what you have learned
and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it
and how from childhood you have been acquainted
with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation
through faith in Christ Jesus.”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Matthew 11:28-29

Leader: Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden,

People: **And I will give you rest.**

Leader: Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me,

All: **For I am gentle and lowly in heart,
and you will find rest for your souls.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

May the Peoples Praise You

(Getty, Townend, Cash, Zimmer; arr. Campbell, Lawrence)

10,000 Reasons (Bless the Lord)

(Redman, Myrin; arr. Galbraith, Henderson)

*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

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Justin Chandler

Philippians 2:3-4

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Justin Chandler

Leader: Almighty God, we confess that the pride of life is near to us,
and that we often harbor motives of self-promotion
even in the doing of good deeds,
and we tend to put ourselves first in the prioritization of our lives.

**People: Father, forgive us for not having in us the mind of Christ,
who humbled himself,
emptying himself of all the prerogatives
of which his divinity entitled him,
to instead become a servant, obedient even to death.**

Leader: Lord, forgive us, we pray, and grant that we would grow
in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and learn to increasingly put others before ourselves.
Father, hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

...amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Justin Chandler

Zephaniah 3:17

The LORD your God is in your midst,
a mighty one who will save;
he will rejoice over you with gladness;
he will quiet you by his love;
he will exult over you with loud singing.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Justin Chandler

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

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 THANKSGIVING *Congregation*
My Worth Is Not in What I Own
(Getty, Kendrick)

DIACONAL PRAYER *Deacon Stephen Kovach*

OFFERTORY *The Lord Is My Salvation* *Band*
(Getty, Nockles, Myrin, arr. Loehrs)

✦ SONG OF PRAISE *The Doxology* (Hymn #731) *Congregation*
(Ken, Bourgeois)

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN *Pastor Ben*
After the blessing on the first Sunday of the month, children remain in the service with their parents

SCRIPTURE TEXT Micah 4:9-13 *Pastor Ben*

SERMON *Arise and Thresh!* *Pastor Ben*

✦ SONG OF PREPARATION *Congregation*
Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus (Hymn #571, vs. 1 and 2)
(Duffield, Webb)

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

We confess our common faith as an expression of our unity in coming to the Lord's Table.

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH *Pastor Ben*
the Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Pastor Ben

ABOUT THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized, belong to a church which embraces the Gospel, and who look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. Since Communion is a sacrament of sustaining grace, we request that children not participate until they have professed their faith to the elders of this church or their church of regular worship.

*As the communion servers pass in front of you, please remember to take **both** of the stacked cups from the tray. Note that the bread is in the bottom cup and is gluten-free. **Grape juice is in the colored cups in the outer ring, wine is in the clear cups in the inner rings.***

from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper Christ took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

MUSIC OF REFLECTION

Janice Bradshaw

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

Congregation

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus (Hymn #571, vs. 3 and 4)
(Duffield, Webb; arr. Linker, Lawrence)

✦ BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

Gloria Patri (Hymn #735)
(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

DEACONS' FUND OFFERING

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

Announcements

Monday, September 5-Holiday (Office Closed)	
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, September 6	
Men's Bible Study Room 118	7:00pm
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, September 7	
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Thursday, September 8	
Diaconate Meeting Room 130	7:00pm
Friday, September 9	
Saturday, September 10	
Sunday, September 11	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am

FALL KICK-OFF TODAY AFTER WORSHIP!

Learn about our church's ministry plans for the fall trimester, from new Sunday School classes to mid-week activities and special events for everyone! A light brunch will be served in the Fellowship Hall.

SOUP-OFF and PRAISE & WORSHIP

Sunday, September 18

Soup-Off at 5:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

Praise & Worship at 6:00 pm, Sanctuary

Contact: Tracy

Join us for an evening of good food, friendly competition, and joyful worship! Dinner begins at 5pm and Praise & Worship at 6pm. To enter your broth- or cream-based soup (no chili) or to be considered as a judge, **sign-up in the Fellowship Hall today or contact Tracy by Thursday, September 15.**

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

1 Kings - The Wisdom and The Folly

Tuesday, September 6, 7:00 pm

Contact: Tony

Men, join us as we study of 1 Kings together. 1 Kings begins with the death of David and the reign of his son Solomon who "excelled all the kings of the earth in riches and in **wisdom**." The book then continues by describing the **folly**, the apostasy of King Jeroboam who splits the kingdom of Israel and whose name becomes a euphemism for the idolatry and sin of Israel's kings for generations.

CHOIR REHEARSAL

Wednesday, September 7, 6:30 pm

Contact: Wes (wesley@springscypresschurch.com)

All members and regular attenders are welcome to sing in the choir! Our kick-off rehearsal is Wednesday, September 7th, and all are welcome to come to rehearsal. We work to be a community that pursues excellence in our music so we can effectively lead the congregation in the Worship of our Lord and King every Sunday. Ability to read music is helpful, but not required (listening tools are available for those who learn better by ear). No audition is ever necessary, simply join us on a Wednesday evening for rehearsal, fellowship, devotions, and prayer!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Thank you for your donations of non-perishable items for Tomball Emergency Assistance Ministry's Food Pantry. Your generosity helps ensure families in need in our area get a balanced meal!

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

Phyllis Feenstra - thorough healing and recovery from gallbladder surgery and peace.

Rose Gregory - healing from COVID and peace for Carl.

Bruce Honts - healing from periodontal surgery, that the bone graft will take and not be rejected.

Jeff Kuhn - healing from complications from surgery to insert a port; strength, stamina, and peace as he begins radiation and chemo treatments for esophageal cancer.

Brenda Ricks - wisdom for medical team as they decide a treatment plan for an aortic aneurysm and peace for Brenda and Ron.

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chapelle, Carl & Rose Gregory, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Jim 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

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

Theresa Adams is due in February.

Christine Harris is due in March.

Pray for Our Family & Friends

Bruce & Barbara Honts' daughter *Rebecca* - safe delivery of her second child, the Honts fourth grandchild. Mindy Burton's dad *Tim Nesbitt* - PRAISE that the tumor in his lungs is decreasing in size and that treatments are going well. Continue to pray that immunotherapy will be effective.

Patricia Wyatt's granddaughter *Mistie Hoot* - healing and strength during hospitalization for pancreatitis.

Brenda Ricks' niece & nephew *Karolanne & Scott* - peace and comfort following the death of their father, Brenda's brother, Ken.

Ruth Stacy's friend *Jane* - peace, comfort, and strength following the loss of her husband John "Chris" to cancer.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

David & Eowyn Stoddard, International Director for Europe, PCA Mission to the World

- Praise for a fruitful and encouraging Home Ministry Assignment this summer.
- Pray for Ethan as he heads to Paderborn, Germany to play in a national baseball tournament September 22nd to 25th.
- Pray for David as he travels back to Atlanta the week of September 26th for the PCA's Committee to MTW meetings.
- Pray for Eowyn as she prepares to speak at several conferences in Berlin and Switzerland.

Sermon Notes

Micah: Who Is Like the Lord?

September 4, 2022

Arise and Thresh!

Micah 4:9-13



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DAVID & EOWYN STODDARD JESSE, LIAM, ALETHEA, EMMA, AND ETHAN PCA Mission to the World International Director for Europe



David and Eowyn serve as missionaries in Berlin, Germany, a region where they have served for 20 years while leading church planting efforts across the city and aiding in the establishment of a reformed seminary. David is currently the MTW International Director for Europe. He focuses on pastoring Europe's MTW missionaries, developing a European-focused church planting strategy, and starting new fields and partnerships. In addition to supporting David and their children, Eowyn is involved in the refugee ministry of their local church. She is also helping to start the women's ministry of the Evangelium 21 Network (a German language ministry similar to The Gospel Coalition or Together for the Gospel), speaking at various women's events for local German churches, and writing for several Reformed publications.

Pray for the Stoddards:

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- Pray for David as he travels back to Atlanta the week of September 26th for the PCA's Committee to MTW meetings.
- Pray for Eowyn as she prepares to speak at several conferences in Berlin and Switzerland.
- Pray for successful ministry trips to Crete and England.

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.

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