



*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, June 6, 2021

## Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC *Saule Garcia*

PRELUDE *Janice Bradshaw*

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *Pastor Ben*

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH *Aaron & Rachel Halbert* *Jorge Gutierrez*  
Mission to the World, Honduras

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP *Janice Bradshaw*

*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 *Pastor Ben*

*Psalm 117:1-2*

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

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

Leader: And the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.

All: **Praise the LORD!**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION *Pastor Ben*

✦SONGS OF ADORATION *Congregation*

*My Hope Is in the Lord* (Hymn #523, vs. 1, 3, and 4)  
(Clayton)

*Be Still, My Soul* (Hymn #689)  
(von Schlegel, Sibelius)

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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

**DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW**

*Ruling Elder 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.

**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 Stephen Kovach*

**SPECIAL MUSIC**

*This Thorn*  
(Paris)

*Jill Bachman*

**✦SONG OF PRAISE**

*The Doxology* (Hymn #731)  
(Ken, Bourgeois)

*Congregation*

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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.*

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## BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

*Pastor Ben*

*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.*

## SCRIPTURE TEXT

Genesis 1:1 – 2:3

*Pastor Ben*

## SERMON

*The 7th Day*

*Pastor Ben*

## ✦ SONG OF PREPARATION

*Rock of Ages*, (vs. 1 and 2)  
(Toplady, Hastings, arr. Rice)

*Congregation*

## SERVICE OF COMMUNION

### ✦ 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 in the colored cups in the outer ring, wine in the clear cups in the inner rings.***

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

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*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**

*Scott Thibaut*

**✦SONG OF RESPONSE**

*Congregation*

*Rock of Ages*, (vs. 3 and 4)  
(Toplady, Hastings, arr. Rice)

**✦BENEDICTION**

*Pastor Ben*

**✦SONG OF BLESSING**

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

*Congregation*

**POSTLUDE**

*Saule Garcia*

**DEACONS' FUND OFFERING**

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

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## Announcements

<b>Monday, June 7</b>		
SAA Meeting Youth Building		7:30pm
<b>Tuesday, June 8</b>		
Women in the Word The Gallery		9:30am
CODA Meeting Youth Building		7:30pm
<b>Wednesday, June 9</b>		
MOPS Field Day Pavilion, Field		10:00am
Youth Group Youth Building		6:30pm
<b>Thursday, June 10</b>		
Women in the Word Annex		7:00pm
Diaconate Meeting Pastor's Office		7:00pm
<b>Friday, June 11</b>		
<b>Saturday, June 12</b>		
Summer Volunteer Orientation The Forum		9:00am
Youth Group Pool Party Achterkirch home		4:00pm
<b>Sunday, June 13</b>		
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream		9:00am
Sunday School for all ages		10:30am
Monthly Fellowship Meal Fellowship Hall		11:30am
Praise & Worship Hymn Sing Sanctuary & Live Stream		6:00pm

### **Mission Possible begins TODAY!**

*I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength. Phil. 4:13*

**Children PreK-5<sup>th</sup> grade**, this summer we are once again embarking on weekly missions! Should you choose to accept them, mission folders will be available every Sunday in the Narthex throughout June and July. Bible memorization, service projects, and activities are all part of the mission. Prizes for the most completed challenges will be awarded at the end of the summer!

### **Praise & Worship**

**Next Sunday, June 13, 6:00pm, Sanctuary**

Join us next Sunday evening for hymn singing, prayer, and worship!

### **Monthly Fellowship Meal**

**Next Sunday, June 13, after Sunday School Fellowship Hall**

**Contact: Tracy**

Mark your calendar and make plans to join us as we resume our Monthly Fellowship Meals. Help make our meal complete by signing up in the Narthex or online through the link emailed 5/26.

### **Youth Group Pool Party**

**June 12, 4-7 pm**

**Achterkirch home**

**Contact: Felix**

Current 6th-12th graders, join us for an afternoon of fun!

### **Volunteer Orientation**

**Next Saturday, June 12, 9:00-10:15am**

**The Forum**

**Contact: Elisa, [elisa@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:elisa@springcypresschurch.com)**

If you have signed up to volunteer with one of our summer programs please make plans to attend this important training session. We will go over details for VBS, CFAP, and BFAP as well as our child protection policies. Coffee and snacks will be provided!

### **Wednesday Kids' Night**

**Wednesdays, June 16 & July 21, 6:30-8 pm**

**Fellowship Hall**

**Contact: Elisa, [elisa@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:elisa@springcypresschurch.com)**

Calling all families! Join us for a family spaghetti dinner followed by a Bible story and crafts for the kids.

### **VBS Olympion (4 year olds-3rd graders)**

**Monday-Friday, June 21-25, 8:45am-12:00pm**

**Cost: \$10**

**Contact: Elisa, [elisa@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:elisa@springcypresschurch.com)**

**It's not too late to register for VBS!** Register on the church website, [springcypresschurch.com/vbs](http://springcypresschurch.com/vbs).

### **Built for a Purpose - July 12-17, 5-9pm**

**Boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall**

**Cost: \$75**

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

Register on the church website, [springcypresschurch.com/bfap](http://springcypresschurch.com/bfap).

# Prayer

## **Pray for Our Church**

*Missions* - Pray for our Missions team as they pray for and provide encouragement to the missionaries SCPC supports.

## **Pray for Our Congregation**

*Cara Dobson* - peace and comfort following the death of her mother-in-law.

*Carl Gregory* - recovery from colon cancer surgery.

*Barbara Honts* - wisdom for her medical team as they monitor her heart and seek ways to relieve her migraine pain.

*Gail Hume* - healing and relief of sciatic pain and back issues.

*Jackie Toothman* - wisdom for her medical team as they prepare for upcoming enteroscopy surgery.

Ongoing health concerns: *Eldon & Virginia Faries, Carl & Rose Gregory, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, and Katie Medeiros*

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

*Peter Achterkirch*, Army, Washington

*Shawn Maya*, Spring Fire Department

*Christian Cory*, Army, New York

*Jessy Wykes*, Army, Kentucky

*Chris Dietz*, Navy, Texas

## **Pray for Our College Students**

*Charlotte Achterkirch*, Samford University

*Rebekah Kooiman*, Abilene Christian 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

## **Pray for Our Families and Friends**

Jorge Gutierrez's former co-worker *David Sullenberger* - recently diagnosed with stage IV pancreatic cancer, pray for salvation and peace for his family.

Ray & Martha Rhoades' daughter *Carolyn* - speedy recovery, successful physical therapy, and pain control following shoulder surgery.

Jim & Mary Spiritosanto's daughter and Deb Kovach's sister *Rebecca* - healing from surgery to insert a hemodialysis catheter in preparation for kidney dialysis.

*Gina Rieger* (SCPC-supported missionary) - healing, comfort, and encouragement following surgery and preparation for radiation treatments.

## **Pray for Our Expectant Mother**

*Carrington Jones* is due in July.

## **Pray for Our Missionary of the Month**

*Aaron & Rachel Halbert*, Mission to the World (MTW), Honduras

- Pray for the congregation of Iglesia Presbiteriana Gracia Soberana in Tegucigalpa and for Aaron as he pastors the flock. Pray that another pastor will be available to lead this church so that Aaron can start a second church plant.
- Pray for Aaron as he leads MTW's Honduras Team.
- Pray for the lifting of restrictions in Honduras due to COVID-19, as there continue to be many new cases primarily due to poverty throughout the country.
- Pray for the strengthening of Aaron & Rachel's marriage.

## 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. They are returned 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.

You may place your gift in the offering baskets at the back of the Sanctuary, 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

### **Elders**

Ian Achterkirch	Erik Haaland
Justin Chandler	Tim Kooiman
Chuck Dorau	Danny McDaniel

The elders may be reached at:  
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## AARON & RACHEL HALBERT

IAN, CATHERINE, RILEY, WHITLEY, ANNE WAVERLY  
MISSION TO THE WORLD, HONDURAS

Aaron was born into a missionary family in Honduras and lived there until he was 10 years old. He developed a deep love for the country and the people and desired to return. He attended Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) and received a degree in history and education with the hope that he could return to Honduras and teach school.

While in high school and college Rachel participated in several short-term mission trips to Haiti which convinced her she wanted to pursue long-term missions. She also attended MTSU and received her degree in elementary education. Aaron and Rachel met on a blind date and two years later were married. They moved to Honduras and taught at Academia Los Pinares. During their two years of teaching their love for the country and their burden for the lost grew more and more.

In 2009 they returned to the US for Aaron to attend Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson and in 2013 were approved by MTW to become church planters in Tegucigalpa. Returning to Honduras in 2015, Aaron and Rachel continued to learn the language and started the first church plant with their national partners Josue and Ely Pineda. They are blessed with five children.

Pray for the **congregation** of Iglesia Presbiteriana Gracia Soberana in Tegucigalpa and for **Aaron as he pastors** the flock. Pray that **another pastor** will be available to lead this church so that Aaron can start a **second church plant**. Pray for Aaron as he leads MTW's **Honduras Team**. Pray for the **lifting of restrictions** in Honduras due to COVID-19. There continue to be many new cases primarily due to poverty throughout the country. Pray for the **strengthening of Aaron and Rachel's marriage**.