



*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, April 14, 2024

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 Zechariah 9:9b,*

*“Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he,
humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

from Isaiah 12

Leader: Behold, God is our salvation; let us trust and not be afraid.

People: **With joy we will draw water from the wells of salvation!**

Leader: Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his name.

All: **For great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel.**

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation (Hymn #342, verses 1, 3, and 5)
(Neale, Smart)

Christ the True and Better
(Boswell, Getty, Papa)

DECLARATION OF GOD’S LAW

Ruling Elder Justin Chandler

Isaiah 64:6

We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Justin Chandler

Leader: Almighty God, we come before you and confess that we are sinners. Our hearts are filled with wicked desires and so reveal that like a leper, we are both infected and infectious.

✦Please stand if able

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*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*

People: Because of this, even our most noble aspirations, and our best works, are as filthy rags in your sight. We know our time is short on the earth, and our iniquities drive us from you, our only hope.

Leader: Father, look down from Heaven and show pity on us, your sons and daughters, for the sake of your precious Son, our elder brother, who gave his life for us. Bring to mind where we have transgressed your holy law, and hear our prayers of silent personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

...Amen!

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Justin Chandler

Jeremiah 33:8

I will cleanse them from all the guilt of their sin against me, and I will forgive all the guilt of their sin and rebellion against me.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Justin Chandler

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Before the Throne of God Above

(Bancroft, Cook)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Kyle Bodden

OFFERTORY

There is One Gospel

Praise Team

(Robinson, Thompson)

Verse 1

There is one Gospel on which I stand for all eternity.
It is my story, my Father's plan, the Son has rescued me.
Oh what a Gospel, oh what a peace, my highest joy and my deepest need.
Now and forever He is my light, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Verse 2

There is one Gospel to which I cling, all else I count as loss.
For there, where justice and mercy meet, He saved me on the cross.
No more I boast in what I can bring, no more I carry the weight of sin.
For He has brought me from death to life, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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.*

OFFERTORY *There is One Gospel (cont.)* *Praise Team*

Verse 3

There is one Gospel where hope is found, the empty tomb still speaks.
For death could not keep my Saviour down, He lives and I am free.
Now on my Saviour, I fix my eyes, my life is His and His hope is mine!
For He has promised I, too, will rise, I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

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

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 Matthew 24:1-3 *Pastor Ben*

SERMON *Introduction to the Olivet Discourse, pt. 2* *Pastor Ben*

✦ SONG OF PREPARATION *Congregation*

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (Hymn #679, verses 1 and 2)
(Stead, Kirkpatrick)

SERVICE OF BAPTISM *Pastor Ben*
Hunter and Jonathan Burch

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

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE *Congregation*

Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus (Hymn #679, verses 3 and 4)
(Stead, Kirkpatrick)

✦ BENEDICTION *Pastor Ben*

✦ SONG OF BLESSING *Gloria Patri* (Hymn #735) *Congregation*
(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

POSTLUDE *Janice Bradshaw*

✦ Please stand if able

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Sermon Notes

April 14, 2024

Introduction to the Olivet Discourse, pt. 2

Matthew 24:1-3

Announcements

Monday, April 15	
Tuesday, April 16	
Women's Bible Study Room 119	9:30am
Wednesday, April 17	
Enfuego Youth Meal Fellowship Hall	6:15pm
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Enfuego Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Thursday, April 18	
Women's Bible Study Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, April 19	
Saturday, April 20	
Sunday, April 21	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages Education Bldg.	11:15am
Fellowship Meal Fellowship Hall/Annex	12:00pm

April Fellowship Meal

NEXT SUNDAY, 12:00pm, Fellowship Hall/Annex

Contact: Kyra Moncrief

No time to siesta, it's time for a fiesta with your SCPC family! Sign up in the Narthex TODAY and bring your favorite TEX-MEX dish to share. The church will provide chips & salsa, queso, and drinks! Drop your dish(es) off to the kitchen any time after 9am **NEXT SUNDAY**. *Please use disposable dishes!* If using non-disposable dishes make sure all pieces are clearly marked with your name and be sure to pick them up at the kitchen window at the end of the meal!

Summer Trimester Sunday School Classes

Beginning in May

Watch for information on our Summer Trimester Adult and Youth Sunday School Classes in the bulletin **NEXT SUNDAY!**

Baby Shower - Katelyn Schaeffer

TODAY, 12:00pm, Annex

Contact: Susy Tousha

Ladies, Join us in the Annex immediately following Sunday School **TODAY** to honor Katelyn and shower her with love as she prepares for her baby boy!

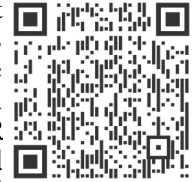
Enfuego Youth Paintball War!

THIS SATURDAY, 12:00pm - 3:30pm

Contact: Felix Espino

Texas Legends Paintball, 11099 Ponderosa Timbers Drive, The Woodlands, TX. \$20 per student.

Enfuego Youth - Join Felix **THIS SATURDAY** for our annual paintball war! Don't miss this exciting experience and great time of fellowship! Delicious refreshments and food will be provided. Be there...and bring a friend! **Parents, please use the QR code to complete the waiver, and contact Felix by 4/17 if you need help with transportation!**



Women's Proverbs Study

Starting Tuesday April 30/Thursday May 2

Watch for more information on this one-month study coming soon!

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Pray for our Session - Pray for the pastor and our elders as they seek the Lord's direction and will for our church, and wisdom as they shepherd our covenant community.

Pray for Our Congregation

Steve Williams - Pray for strength, courage, and healing during chemotherapy treatments.

Clairice Chapelle - Pray for recovery for a shoulder injury from a recent fall.

Leslee Stollberg - Pray for healing from broken ankle.

Neal Benedict - Please pray for favor with the UAMS transplant center.

Christine Achterkirch - Pray for peace and comfort following the death of her father.

Cara Dobson - Prayer for surgery on April 9th, and quick recovery following surgery.

Tracy Allen - Pray for complete healing from fractured shoulder.

Ongoing health concerns: *Neal Benedict, René & Clairice Chapelle, Jeff Kuhn, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Ebenezer Musima, Mary Spiritosanto.*

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Washington

Felix Espino, Army Reserves, Texas

Levi Camden, National Guard, Texas

Joshua Duncan, Army, North Carolina

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Jessy Wykes, Army, Germany

Pray for Our College Students

Claire Achterkirch, Samford University

Jenna Haaland, Samford University

Rebekah Allcorn, Abilene Christian University

Aiden Steagall, Texas A&M

Kyle Benedict, Lone Star College

Izzy Tousha, Texas State

Ben Chandler, Samford University

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Friends & Family

Beccy Esteves' *Grandma Vera* is in Brazil trying to find good healthcare. Pray that she will remain safe and that she will find the healthcare she needs.

Katie Medeiros daughter, *Karen*, has been diagnosed with an abdominal aneurism and is in a lot of pain. Please pray for healing.

Elia Reichenberg, for sons in CO, *Alex* - his college classes and job, and *Christian* - his job and peaceful heart. Please pray for salvation, grace, and favor for both of them.

Daniel Burch, prayer for *Zack & Lane Winchester* as they struggle with marriage/life, and for *Kyle VanArsdall* as he enters a new phase of life. PRAISE for *Kyle's* recent sell and purchase of houses, pray this will relieve stress for him.

Pray for Our Expectant Mothers

Brooke Lewis, due in April

Daniela McConnell, due in June

Katelyn Schaeffer, due in May

Elizabeth Basham, due in July

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Julian Zugg, MINTS International Seminary

- Pray for the students from the smallest villages to the largest cities in Africa as they seek to be faithful ministers of the Word.

- Pray for the students in China. They are being pressured and have had to shut things down a bit and are uncertain about when they'll be able to open again.

- Pray we can collaborate closely with translators and teachers and expand the program in Tanzania to offer more courses.

Email prayer requests to susan@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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