



*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, April 18, 2021

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Saule Garcia

PRELUDE

Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Janice Bradshaw

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on 2 John 6,*

*“And this is love, that we walk according to his commandments;
this is the commandment, just as you have heard from the beginning
so that you should walk in it.”*

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

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Jude 24-25

Leader: To him who is able to keep you from stumbling

People: **And to present you blameless**

before the presence of his glory with great joy,

Leader: To the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord,

All: **Be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority,
before all time and now and forever. Amen!**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

Great Is Thy Faithfulness (Hymn #32)
(Chisholm, Runyan)

This Is My Father's World (Hymn #111)
(Babcock, Shepard)

✦Please stand if able

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Danny McDaniel

John 15:8-10

By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Danny McDaniel

Leader: Almighty God, we come to you this morning to confess our sin.
We acknowledge that we are sinners,
without hope apart from your grace to us in Jesus Christ.

**People: Lord, forgive us for our transgressions of your holy law,
for our neglect of your Word and prayer,
and for being lukewarm concerning eternal matters.**

Leader: Father, we pray that you would cleanse us from our iniquity,
and fill us with love, joy, and peace that come from the Spirit.
Hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Danny McDaniel

John 3:16

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Danny McDaniel

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah Congregation

(Williams, Casella, Littlepage)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Scott Lewis

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.

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

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

Turn Your Eyes
(Lemmel, Romanacce, Winegarger, Stiff, Trout)

Band

✦ SONG OF PRAISE

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

Congregation

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

*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.*

Pastor Ben

SCRIPTURE TEXT

2 Thessalonians 3:6-15

Pastor Ben

SERMON

A Tradition of Hard Work

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

See, What a Morning
(Getty, Townend)

Congregation

✦ BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

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

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Saule Garcia

Sermon Notes

A Tradition of Hard Work

April 18, 2021

2 Thessalonians 3:6-15

Announcements

Monday, April 19	
Session Meeting Pastor's Office	7:00pm
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, April 20	
Women in the Word The Gallery	9:30am
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, April 21	
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Thursday, April 22	
MOPS Play Date Playground & Pavilion	10:00am
Women in the Word The Gallery	7:00pm
Men's Round Table Pavilion	7:00pm
Friday, April 23	
Saturday, April 24	
Youth Game Day Youth Building	2:00pm
Sunday, April 25	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:00am
Sunday School for all ages	10:30am
Contemporary Praise & Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	6:00pm

Bring Your Own Lunch Social

TODAY after Sunday School, Pavilion

Come fellowship with your church family *al fresco!* Join us under the pavilion with your packed lunch. Tables are set-up and drinks will be provided.

Contemporary Praise & Worship

NEXT SUNDAY, April 25, 6:00 pm

Sanctuary & Live Stream

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

Youth Game Day

Saturday, April 24, 2:00 pm, Pavilion & Field

Contact: Susy

Senior and Junior High youth, mark your calendar for an afternoon of games, food, and ice cream! Bring a towel and change of clothes.

New Sunday School Classes begin May 2nd!

See insert for details

New Women-in-the-Word Study begins 5/4 & 5/6

Tuesdays at 9:30 am, The Gallery

Thursdays at 7:00 pm, The Gallery

Ladies, discover how to strengthen and deepen your faith as we study 1, 2, 3 John. These three books will lead us through doctrine, obedient living, and fervent devotion. Invite a friend and let's pursue righteousness and mature in Christ together as we learn and apply these truths to our lives.

VBS Olympion

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

Cost: \$10

Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com

Calling all 4 year olds - 3rd graders! Join us for a week of Bible stories, crafts, and fun at VBS Olympion this summer. **Registration is open NOW on the church website.**

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

Cost: \$75

Contact: Erik, erik@springcypresschurch.com

This summer we are launching Built for a Purpose! This camp is for boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall and will teach them that they are built by God in his image, for a purpose! The camp will run 5-9 pm beginning July 12 and end with an overnight campout on the 16th. **Registration is open NOW on the church website.**

Youth Group Mission Trip to Opelousas, 6/27-7/3

Cost: \$70 (includes t-shirt)

Contact: Justin, justin@springcypresschurch.com

Senior and Junior High students, mark your calendar to return to Opelousas this summer to serve with Hope for Opelousas! Registration will open Wednesday, April 21st.

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Men - Pray that our men will grow in their faith and in their relationships with one another and their families as they grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord.

Pray for Our Congregation

Barbara Honts - wisdom for her medical team as they makes plans for her to have surgery to relieve migraines in the near future.

Ritchie Family - PRAISE - we rejoice with the Ritchies on the birth of *George Peter* on March 19th. Mom and baby are home and doing well.

Jackie Toothman - wisdom for medical team to correctly identify and correct the source of her anemia.

Tony Tousha - permanent employment.

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

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Chris Dietz, Navy, Texas

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Jessy Wykes, Army, Georgia

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University

Ian Allan, Calvin University

Zach Allan, Tarleton State University

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Jacob Kerr, Texas A&M University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University

Lauren Steagall, University of Houston

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Families and Friends

Glenn Ayles' father, *Rodney* - peace and comfort while experiencing failing health.

Gina Rieger (SCPC-supported missionary) - comfort and encouragement during her cancer treatments.

Pray for Our Expectant Mothers

Carrington Jones is due in July.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Houston Metro Presbytery

- Pray for biblical and confessional integrity, moral courage, wisdom, and love to be manifest at each meeting.
- Pray for the work of the various committees of the Presbytery, that their work would be conducive to the expansion of the Kingdom in our area.
- Pray for a strong spirit of unity between our sister churches in HMP as we labor together to do the Lord's work in our area.

Email prayer requests to robin@springcypresschurch.com.

New Sunday School Classes Beginning May 2, 10:30-11:15 am

ADULTS

Sanctuary

Worship: What We Do and Why We Do It

various teachers

When it comes to Sunday morning worship services many Christians often participate without understanding the rationale for what is taking place during the service. Even less consideration is typically given to numerous other factors that inform and shape our worship. In this team-taught class we will discuss the rationale, elements, and circumstances of our worship service in order to increase the understanding, appreciation, and participation of our church members in our weekly services.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

B215-217

James

taught by Justin Chandler & Erik Haaland

James is a beloved and practical book full of exhortations to live a godly life. In just a few pages, the author offers concrete counsel on many issues that confront Christians on a daily basis. James certainly stirs us to action, but it also reveals our sins and inability to do what this letter commands. So, how then are we to live? Join us as we dig into this letter (and the rest of Scripture) to find the answer.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH

Youth Building

Teach Me Your Way

taught by Felix Espino

Junior High students will continue to study the Sermon on the Mount and how it demonstrates the character of a true believer: surrendering to Jesus in salvation and submitting to His way in obedience. *“Teach me Your way, O LORD, that I may walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name.”* -Psalm 86:11

CHILDREN

Children’s Wing

Toddlers in our Nursery Ministry hear Bible stories and participate in activities from the *Show Me Jesus* curriculum as they build a sure foundation.

Our Elementary Students will all be using curriculum by Great Commission Publications. This quarter our **Pre-K and Kindergarten students** will learn about Jesus’ great love for his people, his death, resurrection, his ascension, the promised Holy Spirit, and the Lord’s return one day. The **Lower Elementary Sunday school class (grades 1-2)** will be focusing on what it means to become devoted to God’s Word using stories and passages from both the Old and New Testaments. **Upper Elementary Sunday School (grades 3-5)** will continue working through a two-year Bible survey course helping students desire God’s word and grow closer in relationship with Christ. Students will discover the joy of being called to be a part of this grand narrative of redemption as they study the scriptures together!



Monday, July 12 - Saturday, July 17
5:00-9:00 pm
concludes with an overnight campout July 16

Built for a Purpose is a week-long skills camp for boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall, led by men, to encourage, teach and mentor boys in the church and community. The purpose of the camp is to teach the boys that they were created in the image of God, by God, and for God. We will have building projects, archery, gun safety/BB guns, games and activities, as well as worship and small group time each night. Our goal is for the boys to recognize that they are sinners in need of a Savior and that Jesus Christ is the only savior of man. The projects, activities, and devotionals are designed to point participants to Christ.

The cost is \$75 and includes t-shirt, dinner nightly, and project materials. Spots are limited, so register now at springcypresschurch.com/bfap. For more information, contact Erik at erik@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 mothers with infants.
- 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

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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