



*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, January 30, 2022

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRELUDE

Stephanie Hicks

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Stephanie Hicks

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on 1 Samuel 12:24,*

*“Only fear the LORD and serve him faithfully with all your heart.
For consider what great things he has done for you.”*

✦ CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Psalm 118:1-4

Leader: O give thanks to the LORD, for he is good;

People: **for his steadfast love endures forever!**

Leader: Let Israel say,

People: **“His steadfast love endures forever!”**

Leader: Let the house of Aaron say,

People: **“His steadfast love endures forever!”**

Leader: Let those who fear the LORD say,

All: **“His steadfast love endures forever.”**

✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

(Newton, Giglio, Tomlin)

All I Have Is Christ

(Kauflin)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Erik Haaland

Romans 12:2

Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

✦ *Please stand if able*

*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*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Erik Haaland

Leader: Almighty God, in love you have called us
to be conformed to your character and likeness,
that we may discern your will.

People: **Yet our hearts so often reflect
worldly priorities, values, and interests.
Forgive us, Father, for not discerning
what is good, and acceptable, and perfect.**

Leader: Father, bring to mind where we have conformed
to the pattern of this world rather than to that of your holy will.
Grant that we would seek your perfect will
and hear now our silent prayers of confession...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

*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.*

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Erik Haaland

1 John 2:1-2

My little children, I am writing these things to you so that you may not sin.
But if anyone does sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ
the righteous. He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but
also for the sins of the whole world.

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)

*"Let your
steadfast love
come to me, O
LORD, your
salvation
according to
your promise."
Psalm 119:41*

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon David Farmer

OFFERTORY

Saved My Soul

Band and Choir

(Smith, Ferguson, Thompson; arr. Marcum, Lawrence)

✦ SONG OF PRAISE

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

Congregation

*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.*

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

James 1:1-4

Pastor Ben

SERMON

Introducing James

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

Blessed Assurance (Hymn #693)
(Crosby, Knapp)

Congregation

✦ BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

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

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Stephanie Hicks

Sermon Notes

Introducing James

January 30, 2022

James 1:1-4

Announcements

Monday, January 31	
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, February 1	
Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
Men's Bible Study Room 116	7:00pm
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, February 2	
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Thursday, February 3	
MOPS Room 130	7:00pm
Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, February 4	
Saturday, February 5	
Sunday, February 6	
Worship & Communion Sanctuary & LS	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am
Congregational Meeting Sanctuary	6:00pm
LS = Live Stream	

Joint Presbytery Evening Worship Service
TONIGHT at 6:00 pm, Sanctuary & Live Stream
 Please join us for this unique opportunity to worship alongside members of some sister churches in our Presbytery. This will be a joyous celebration of the connectional nature of the Church in our area. A fellowship dinner will be served afterwards.

Annual Congregational Meeting
Next Sunday, February 6, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary
 Members, make plans to join us for this important meeting. See the insert for detailed information.

2021 Giving Statements

An email was sent this past week with a link to your 2021 Giving Statement. (If you don't see the email in your inbox please check your junk folder.) If you would prefer a print copy, email Robin robin@springcypresschurch.com.

Wednesday Family Night

Wednesday, February 9, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

RSVP by Sunday, February 6 with Elisa

elisa@springcypresschurch.com

Our monthly Wednesday Family Night is coming soon! Dinner will be served from 6:30-7:00, then the children will have a lesson and activity and parents will be led in a study.

SAVE THE DATES!

more information coming soon

Chili Cook-off and Praise & Worship Night

Sunday, February 20, 5pm

Wonderfully Made (girls 3rd-9th grade)

Saturday, February 26, 9am-12pm

The Training Ground (boys 3rd-9th grade)

Saturday, February 26, 3-7pm

SUMMER PROGRAMS

Vacation Bible School

Monday-Friday, June 13-17, 9am-12pm

Boys and girls PreK-3rd grade

Purpose Week

Monday-Friday, July 18-22

Created for a Purpose, mornings

Girls who have completed 3rd-8th grade

Built for a Purpose, evenings

Boys who have completed 3rd-8th grade

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Upcoming Congregational Meeting - Pray that God will be glorified and that we will be encouraged by the election of officers and presentation of the vision for 2022

Pray for Our Congregation

Katie Medeiros - full recovery following hospitalization.

Scott Thibaut - PRAISE for a promotion at work!

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chapelle, Carl & Rose Gregory, Rick & Jeanne Maddy.*

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 Reserves, Texas

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University

Jenna Haaland, Samford University

Zach Allan, Tarleton State University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University

Daniel Duncan, Lone Star College

Ayden Steagall, Lone Star College

Rebekah Duncan, Montana State University

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Izzy Tousha, Lone Star College

Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Pray for Our Families and Friends

Pete & Rita Rivera's daughter *Michelle* - PRAISE - Michelle's cancer surgery went well. Pray for positive results from the lab tests and complete healing.

Jorge Gutierrez's friend *Jerry Peña* - PRAISE - Jerry is home with a new pacemaker. Pray for successful speech and physical therapy and for full recovery.

Mindy Burton's father *Tim Nesbitt* - healing and guidance following COPD and COVID diagnosis.

Tracy & Rusty Allen's niece *Marina Allen* - successful rehab for alcoholism, wisdom and understanding

Pray for Our Expectant Mothers

Felicity Bodden is due in March.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Way Rutherford, Campus Ministry at Baylor University with Reformed University Fellowship

Praise and thanks to God for a great fall semester: being free of Covid restrictions, a great Fall Conference weekend, successful outreach to freshmen and new students, a fruitful sermon series through Luke, and God at work in the students' hearts in countless ways.

Pray that God will raise up new students for our Ministry Team for the spring semester; for intern Graham Harmon, that he would finish his internship well and for his transition to seminary; for the spring semester, particularly that God will work through the upcoming sermon series through Romans.

Email prayer requests to robin@springcypresschurch.com.

Congregational Meeting

Sunday, February 6, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary

Members - please join us for this important congregational meeting! We will be celebrating what God has done in our midst over the course of 2021 and sharing key goals for 2022 - to include presenting the approved 2022 budget as being instrumental in realizing these goals, and holding an election for officers. Contact Pastor Ben with any questions or concerns!

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Session has approved the following men to be on the ballot at our Congregational Meeting on February 6th at 6:00 pm.



KYLE BODDEN, Deacon

Kyle and his wife Felicity have been married for 15 years and have four children with a fifth due on March 1st. Kyle works for Celebrity Cruises as a Market Sales Manager. Kyle teaches the 3rd-5th grade Sunday School class, Children's Worship, and is active in other areas of service at SCPC.



BILL DIETZ, Deacon

Bill and his wife of 51 years, Sue, moved to Texas three years ago. Having visited SCPC many times with their son Chris' family, they became regular attenders immediately. They joined the choir in the fall of 2019, continuing a dedication to music ministry that spans more than 50 years. Bill is a retired software engineer and Sue a retired high school teacher. Bill grew up in a Christian family and professed his faith at a young age. However, the abandonment of Biblical principles by the main line denominations resulted in Bill and Sue finding a PCA church in Pittsburgh 25 years ago. The reformed faith is at the center of their lives.



DAVID JONES, Deacon

David repented and came to Christ several years ago. Shortly thereafter, he met his wife Carrington, and they have been blessed with two beautiful children, Benjamin and Evelyn. While searching for a reformed church, they found SCPC only a few minutes from home and have been here for a little over two years. David is a Human Resources Consultant which has provided a surprising number of opportunities to both witness to others and help strengthen fellow Christians that are intimidated about openly expressing their faith and beliefs. He looks forward to serving our SCPC family.



BOB PICKARD, Returning Deacon

Bob and his wife Renee' have been married for 42 years and have three children and eight grandchildren. They have been members of SCPC for 12 years. Bob grew up in north Texas and graduated from Texas A&M with a B.S. in Civil Engineering. Bob is retired from the oil and gas industry where he worked in engineering and project management.

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

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