



*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, January 31, 2021

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Janice Bradshaw

PRELUDE

Saule Garcia

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Saule Garcia

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Matthew 4:17,*

*“From that time on Jesus began to preach, saying
‘Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.’”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Psalm 18:30-31

Leader: This God - his way is perfect,
the word of the LORD proves true;

People: **He is a shield for all those who take refuge in him.**

Leader: For who is God, but the LORD?

All: **And who is a rock, except our God?**

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

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

*We Come, O Christ, to You (Hymn #181, vs. 1, 2, 3, 5)
(Clarkson, Darwall, arr. Rawsthorne)*

*Behold Our God
(Baird, Altrogge)*

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Erik Haaland

Deuteronomy 30:15-16

See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I command you today, by loving the LORD your God, by walking in his ways, and by keeping his commandments and his statutes and his rules, then you shall live

✦*Please stand if able*

and multiply, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to take possession of it.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Erik Haaland

Leader: Heavenly Father, we acknowledge that you are completely pure and entirely righteous, but we are not. Too often we have disregarded and been disobedient to your commandments, believing the deceitful promises of sin rather than the sure promises of your Word.

People: **O Lord, have mercy upon us
and grant that we would be strengthened
to serve you in newness of life,
and that we would find great delight and joy
in our obedience to you,
the giver of all good things.**

Leader: Father, we thank you for Christ Jesus, through whom we have confidence to come before you now and forever. Please hear our silent prayers of personal confession and forgive us for Christ's sake...
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

Psalm 32:5

You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Erik Haaland

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Jesus Paid It All

Congregation

(Hall, Grape, arr. Chapman, Lawrence)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon David Farmer

*If you would like to give to SCPC as an act of worship
you may leave your gift in the offering baskets at the back of the Sanctuary.*

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

SPECIAL MUSIC

God of Grace

Vocal Ensemble

(Getty, Getty, Rea, arr. Larson)

God of grace, amazing wonder, irresistible and free,
O the miracle of mercy, Jesus reaches down to me.
God of grace, I stand in wonder as my God restores my soul;
His own blood has paid my ransom, awesome cost to make me whole.
God of grace who loved and knew me long before the world began,
sent my Savior down from heaven, perfect God and perfect man;
God of grace, I trust in Jesus, I'm accepted as His own;
Every day new grace sustains me as I lean on Him alone.
God of grace, I stand astounded, cleansed, forgiven and secure.
All my fears are now confounded, and my hope is ever sure.
God of grace, now crowned in glory where one day I'll see Your face;
And forever I'll adore You in Your everlasting grace.

✦ 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 READING

Joel 2:28-32

Pastor Ben

SERMON

The Spirit Poured Out

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

Holy, Holy, Holy! (Hymn #100)

Congregation

(Heber, Dykes, arr. Linker)

PRESENTATION OF NEW MEMBERS

Pastor Ben

✦ BENEDECTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

Gloria Patri (Hymn #735)

Congregation

(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

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

Sermon Notes

January 31, 2021

The Spirit Poured Out

Joel 2:28-32

Congregational Meeting TONIGHT, January 31, 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 2020 and sharing key goals for 2021 - to include presenting the approved 2021 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 January 31st at 6:00 pm.



JUSTIN CHANDLER, Elder

Justin and his wife Kristen have been married for 17 years and have four active children (1st grade through 11th grade). Justin has been working in the oil & gas industry for 13 years, largely as a Quality Manager. He currently serves on the SCPC Missions Team and Youth Leadership team. He has taught 5th and 6th grade Sunday School, as well as youth and adult Sunday School.



DANNY MCDANIEL, Returning Elder

Danny and his wife Pam have been married for 35 years (as of this February) and have one adult son and daughter-in-law. Danny is a practicing CPA in the area. He is a past treasurer of SCPC, and has previously taught adult Sunday school.



JAKOB BASHAM, Deacon

Jakob and his wife Elizabeth have been members of SCPC for four years. They have two young children, Joram and Nova. Jakob came to the Lord at a young age and was baptized in high school. His faith has grown through his role as husband, father, and provider for his family, and his knowledge of reformed theology has grown the last four years at Spring Cypress. Jakob enjoys time with his family adventuring out of doors and creating/fixing things.



STEPHEN KOVACH, Deacon

Steve and his wife Deborah have been at SCPC for over two years. They have four crazy kids (Lilly, Travis, Anna, and Daniel) and have both served in many ministries since joining the church including Children's Church, teaching children's Sunday School, Missions Team, MOPS, Nursery, and Meals Ministry, and are blessed to have found the Spring Cypress family. Steve was saved at a young age and came to the reformed faith while serving in the Navy. He has been in the PCA since 2005, recently serving as a deacon at a PCA church for four years and he looks forward to serving Spring Cypress on the diaconate.



SCOTT LEWIS, Returning Deacon

Scott grew up in Biloxi where he met his wife Misti on the first day of high school, and they have been married for 35 years. Scott works in purchasing for Coca-Cola. He became a Christian shortly after moving to Houston in 1987. They have three adult children and have been members of SCPC for 12 years.

Announcements

Monday, February 1	
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, February 2	
Women in the Word The Gallery	9:30am
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, February 3	
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Thursday, February 4	
Women in the Word The Gallery	7:00pm
Men's Bible Study Zoom	7:00pm
MOPS Fellowship Hall	7:15pm
Friday, February 5	
Saturday, February 6	
Sunday, February 7	
Worship & Communion Sanctuary & LS	9:00am
Adult Sunday School Sanctuary	10:30am
Senior High Sunday School B215-217	10:30am
Junior High Sunday School Youth Bldg	10:30am
Children's Sunday School Children's Wing	10:30am
*Live Stream	

Please welcome our new members!

Dusty Cory
 Noah Duncan
 Lilly Kovach

**Discovering Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church
 Our Culture, Confession, and Calling**

Wednesday evenings, 7-8 pm
 5 weeks (February 24-March 24)

Registration is required and will close on Sunday, February 14.

Learn what kind of church we are trying to be, our beliefs, ministry, and mission. Open to all - the curious and those desiring to join SCPC. Sign up in the Narthex or on our website, springcypresschurch.com.

2020 Giving Statements

A link to your 2020 Giving Statement was emailed to you. If you would like a print copy, please contact Robin, robin@springcypresschurch.com.

Youth Group Retreat and Service Project

Friday & Saturday, March 5 & 6

Cost: \$10

Contact: Justin

Registration is required and will close on Friday, February 19.

Senior and Junior High youth, make plans to join us for our Youth Retreat and Service Project at **Gospel Lakes Ranch!** See the details in the email sent Wednesday, January 27. If you did not receive an email contact Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com.

Ladies' Movie Matinee: Pride & Prejudice

Saturday, February 27, 12:30 pm

Cinemark Spring-Klein, 21440 Kuykendahl Rd

Contact: women@springcypresschurch.com

Ladies, join us for a time of fellowship with a private viewing of Jane Austen's classic tale, *Pride and Prejudice*. Romance and drama, irony and humor, obstacles to overcome from within and without - this story has it all! The cost is \$5/person. Registration and payment (check or cash) reserves your spot. Seating is limited so sign up in the Narthex or watch for an email with the registration link to be sent out today.

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

Felix Espino - peace and comfort following the death of his father.

Mike Hume - successful radiation treatment that will continue through January.

McGlothlin family - success in finding a nanny for Kariss as Jess goes back to work this week.

Those who have tested positive for COVID-19 - complete healing.

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

Gina Rieger (SCPC-supported missionary) - comfort and encouragement as she begins her second round of cancer treatments.

Marc Esteves' mother, *Vera Lucia Esteves* - healing of pelvic fractures.

Kelly Renee's step-mother, *Wanda Kiesling* - healing of recently diagnosed lymphoma.

Jeff Cory's sister, *Kim* - strength as she undergoes treatment for colon cancer and complete healing.

Pray for Our Expectant Mother

Kathryn Ritchie is due in March.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

PCA Ministerial Relief Fund

Pray for peace and comfort for the PCA widows, ministers, and ministry families served by this fund.

Pray for wisdom in the administration of the fund.

Pray for increased donations so that more people may be served.

Pray for Our Missionaries as they return to their work overseas

Chris Crowder - currently in Chad for three weeks.

Tim & Cheri Hoke - plan to return to Uganda by February.

Email prayer requests to robin@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 at the Visitor's Center.
- If you do not have a Bible of your own, please stop by the Visitor's Center.
- To see how our church participates in the global cause for Christ, check out the touch-screen monitor in the Narthex

Restrooms are located in the Narthex.

To learn more about us and our ministries, visit our website, springcypresschurch.com

Like and follow us on Facebook: *Spring Cypress Church*

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.

If you would like to give via **check**, please make your check payable to SCPC. **Online giving** is available at springcypresschurch.com/give. **Text** any amount to **84321** to give (standard message and data rates may apply).

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