



*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, July 17, 2022

## Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

### PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

*Stephanie Hicks*

### PRELUDE

*Janice Bradshaw*

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Ruling Elder Erik Haaland*

### PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

*Janice Bradshaw*

*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

*Erik Haaland*

*Isaiah 12:2*

Leader: Behold, God is my salvation;

**People: I will trust, and will not be afraid;**

Leader: For the LORD GOD is my strength and my song,

**All: And he has become my salvation.**

### ✦ PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Erik Haaland*

### ✦ SONGS OF ADORATION

*Congregation*

***God of Our Fathers** (Hymn #710, vs. 1, 2, and 4)  
(Roberts, Warren; arr. Greer, Lawrence)*

***Crown Him with Many Crowns** (Hymn #295, vs. 1, 3, and 4)  
(Bridges, Elvey; arr. Courtney, Hayes, Lawrence)*

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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**

*Erik Haaland*

*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**

*Erik Haaland*

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.

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 silent prayers of personal confession...

*silent confession of personal sin*

Amen.

**PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL**

*Erik Haaland*

*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.

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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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*"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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**PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD**  
*concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

*Erik Haaland*

**✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING**

***Psalm 62***

(Keyes, Townend; arr. Williamson)

*Congregation*

**DIACONAL PRAYER**

*Deacon Stephen Kovach*

**OFFERTORY**

***Jesus, Name Above All Names***

(Hearn; arr. Wilson)

*Brooke Lewis, piano*

**✦ SONG OF PRAISE**

***The Doxology*** (Hymn #731)

(Ken, Bourgeois)

*Congregation*

**BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN**

*Ruling Elder Ian Achterkirch*

*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**

Luke 19:1-10

*Rev. Paul Miller*

**SERMON**

*The Sovereign Seeker*

*Rev. Miller*

**✦ SONG OF RESPONSE**

***Living Hope***

(Wickham, Johnson; arr. Martin)

*Congregation*

**✦ BENEDICTION**

*Rev. Miller*

**✦ SONG OF BLESSING**

***Gloria Patri*** (Hymn #735)

(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

*Congregation*

**POSTLUDE**

*Stephanie Hicks*

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

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# Sermon Notes

*The Sovereign Seeker*

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July 17, 2022

Luke 19:1-10

## Announcements

<b>Monday, July 18</b> Created for a Purpose Built for a Purpose	9:00am 5:00pm
<b>Tuesday, July 19</b> Created for a Purpose NO Women in the Word Built for a Purpose	9:00am 5:00pm
<b>Wednesday, July 20</b> Created for a Purpose Built for a Purpose	9:00am 5:00pm
<b>Thursday, July 21</b> Created for a Purpose Built for a Purpose NO Women in the Word	9:00am 5:00pm
<b>Friday, July 22</b> Created for a Purpose Built for a Purpose	9:00am 5:00pm
<b>Saturday, July 23</b> Youth Group Scavenger Hunt Youth Bldg	5:30pm
<b>Sunday, July 24</b> Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream Sunday School for all ages Praise & Worship Sanctuary	9:30am 11:00am 6:00pm

### **Aschmann Visit**

#### **TODAY, The Gallery**

Rick & Betty Aschmann, missionaries in Ecuador with PCA Mission to the World, will be visiting us next Sunday! Stop by The Gallery and chat with them about their work with the Quichua Indians.

### ***Purpose Week Set-Up***

#### **TODAY after Sunday School, Fellowship Hall**

#### **Contact: Amy**

We could use YOUR help as we prepare our campus for *Created for a Purpose* and *Built for a Purpose*. Join us around 12:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall to receive your assignment!

### **Youth Group Scavenger Hunt**

**Saturday, July 23, 5:30 pm**

#### **Contact: Felix**

Jr. High and Sr. High students, are you up for the challenge? Complete tasks and challenges in order to find clues in this amazing race type of scavenger hunt. There will be two teams and only one winner!

### **Praise & Worship**

**Sunday, July 24, 6:00 pm, Sanctuary**

Make plans to join us for an evening of Praise & Worship. Pastor Ben will give us a report about General Assembly. Hope to see you then!

### **Ladies' Pool Party**

**Saturday, July 30, 4-8pm, Esteves home**

#### **Contact: Julie**

The sun is hot, the water's cool. Come join us in the pool! Grab a friend, bring a salad or appetizer to share along with a towel and sunscreen. Hope to see you there!

### **Joint Presbytery Worship & Fellowship Meal**

**Sunday, July 31, 5:00 pm**

#### **Covenant Presbyterian Church**

**2402 Gray Fall Dr, Houston 77077**

**Contact: Robin [robin@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:robin@springcypresschurch.com)**

Please join in 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 the Houston area. A fellowship dinner will be served afterwards.

**RSVP by Friday, July 22 to Robin.**

### **Welcome Rev. Paul Miller**

Upon graduating from Westminster Theological Seminary, Paul and Laura Miller launched RUF at Texas A&M Corpus Christi (TAMUCC) in 2008. Paul served seven years as campus minister at TAMUCC. He has served as an assistant and associate pastor in the PCA; as a hospital chaplain at Methodist Hospital in Dallas; and now as the Texas regional director of Metanoia Prison Ministries (Metanoia is the official prison ministry of the PCA).

# Prayer

## **Pray for Our Church**

*Purpose Week* - Pray for the over 80 participants in *Purpose Week*! Pray that God would be glorified through both *Created for a Purpose* and *Built for a Purpose* as the programs share with girls and boys how they were made by God for a purpose. Pray also for safety for the participants and energy for the volunteers.

## **Pray for Our Congregation**

*Laurie Byerly & family* - peace and comfort following the death of her grandmother.

*Catherine Seeland* - PRAISE - Catherine is now home from the hospital!

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chappelle, Carl & Rose Gregory, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Jim Spiritosanto.*

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

*Peter Achterkirch*, Army, Washington

*Shawn Maya*, Spring Fire Department

*Christian Cory*, Army, New York

*Jessy Wykes*, Army, Europe

*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

*Rebekah Duncan*, Montana State University

*Ayden Steagall*, Lone Star College

*Austin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University

*AJ Tousha*, Lone Star College

*Justin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University

*Izzy Tousha*, Lone Star College

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

*Daniel Garcia*, Metanoia Ministry student - grace to help Daniel transition back into society from prison.

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

*Paul & Laura Miller*, Metanoia Prison Ministries of Texas, PCA Mission to North America

- Pray that the LORD will send many volunteers for their correspondence and mentoring ministry.
- Pray that Paul will be able to start a mentoring ministry in the Boyd Unit by early fall.
- Pray for that Laura remains cancer free (almost ten years now) and that she will have relief from daily chronic pain.
- Pray for Metanoia's administrative director, Shelly Marshall. The doctors have discovered lesions on her liver and do not know yet if they are cancerous.
- Pray that their family continues to grow in grace and faith.

Email prayer requests to [robin@springcypresschurch.com](mailto: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 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, 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](http://springcypresschurch.com/give).

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