

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 2, 2023

	Celebration of God in Corporate Worship		
	PRE-SERVICE MUSIC	Janice Bradshaw	
	PRELUDE	Brooke Lewis	
Worship begins where spiritual	WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS	Pastor Ben	
life begins - with God's call. Appropriately, we respond with pravers and	MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH Joe & Felicity Congdom Mission to the Word, Tokyo,		
songs of adoration.	PREPARATION TO WORSHIP	Brooke Lewis	
	Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship, and reflect on Zechariah 2:13,		
	"Be silent, all flesh, before the Lord, for he has roused himself from his holy dwelling,"		
	<b>+</b> CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF ADORATION Isaiah 12:4-6	Pastor Ben	
"Give me understanding that I may keep your law and observe it with	<ul> <li>Leader: Give thanks to the LORD, call upon his name, make known his deeds among the peoples, proclaim that his name is exalted.</li> <li>People: Sing praises to the LORD, for he has done gloriously; let this be made known in all the earth.</li> <li>Leader: Shout, and sing for joy, O inhabitant of Zion,</li> <li>All: For great in our midst is the Holy One of Israel!</li> </ul>		
<i>my whole heart."</i> Psalm 119:34	+SONGS OF ADORATION	Congregation	
	<i>Immortal, Invisible God Only Wise</i> (Hymn #38) (Smith, Traditional Welsh hymn melody)	Congregation	

To God Be the Glory (Hymn #55) (Crosby, Doane)

+Please stand if able

# DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Leviticus 20:7-8

Ruling Elder Erik Haaland

Consecrate yourselves, therefore, and be holy, for I am the LORD your God. Keep my statutes and do them; I am the LORD who sanctifies you.

# PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Leader: Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed.

People: You have called us, as your children, to be holy, even as you are holy. Yet we disobey you by what we do, and by what we do not do.

Leader: Father, by your Spirit bring to mind where we have not kept your statutes and hear our prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

...amen.

# PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Erik Haaland

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Colossians 2:13-14

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.

# PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

**+**SONG OF THANKSGIVING

The Old Rugged Cross (Bennard)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Reed Wykes

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

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OFFERTORY	O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus (Francis, Williams)	VBS Children
+SONG OF PRAISE	<i>The Doxology</i> (Hymn #731) (Ken, Bourgeois)	Congregation
BLESSING OF THE	CHILDREN After the blessing on the first Sunday of the month, children remain in the service with their parents.	Pastor Ben
SCRIPTURE TEXT	Matthew 12:22-32	Pastor Ben
SERMON	By What Power?	Pastor Ben
+SONG OF PREPARA' The C	TION Church's One Foundation (Hymn #347, vs. 1 (Stone, Weslev)	<i>Congregation</i> & 2)

# SERVICE OF COMMUNION

# **+**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

the Apostle's Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

# INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Pastor Ben

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# ABOUT THE SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

We welcome to the Lord's Table all who have been baptized, belong to a church which embraces the Gospel, and who look in faith to the Lord Jesus Christ as Savior. Since Communion is a sacrament of sustaining grace, we request that children not participate until they have professed their faith to the elders of this church or their church of regular worship.

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

We confess our common faith as an expression or our unity in coming to the Lord's Table. As the communion servers pass in front of you, please remember to take **both** of the stacked cups from the tray. Note that the bread is in the bottom cup and is gluten-free. Grape juice is in the colored cups in the outer ring, wine is in the clear cups in the inner rings.

# from 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

The Lord Jesus, on the night of his arrest, took bread, and after giving thanks to God, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is my body, given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper Christ took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant sealed in my blood, shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

# MUSIC OF REFLECTION

Brooke Lewis

Pastor Ben

Congregation

+SONG OF RESPONSE Congregation The Church's One Foundation (Hymn #347, vs. 3 & 4) (Stone, Wesley)

**+**BENEDICTION

**+**SONG OF BLESSING

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

POSTLUDE

DEACONS' FUND OFFERING

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

Janice Bradshaw

# Announcements

Monday, July 3

Tuesday, July 4 - Holiday, office closed

Wednesday, July 5

Thursday, July 6

Friday, July 7

Saturday, July 8

#### Sunday, July 9

Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream9:30amSunday School for all ages11:00am

# Welcome, Susan Cochran

We are pleased to announce that Susan Cochran began work as our part-time Administrative Assistant in the office this past week. Susan is excited to use her many skills, talents, and gifts to minister to our church body. Please extend a warm welcome to Susan!

## Hymn Sing

## Sunday, July 16, 6pm, Sanctuary

Make plans to join us for hymn singing, prayer, and worship! Pastor Ben will also share highlights from the 2023 PCA General Assembly he attended in Memphis earlier this month.

## Safety Team Volunteers Contact: David Jones,

david.j@springcypresschurch.com

Men, more volunteers are needed for our Safety Team. If interested in learning about how you can serve the church body in this way, contact David Jones.

# Joint Presbytery Evening Worship Service Sunday, July 30, 5:00pm

# Southwest Presbyterian Church, Bellaire

You are invited to a special worship service with our sister churches in our Presbytery on Sunday, July 30th. This will be a joyous celebration of the connectional nature of the Church in our area. No registration is required.

# WANTED!

Who: Women who love Jesus and serving others What: Volunteers Needed When: July 10-14, 8:30am-1:30pm Where: SCPC Why: *Created for a Purpose* needs YOU! It is a

wonderful opportunity to get to use your gifts, work alongside your sisters in Christ, and share the love of Jesus with girls from our community.

**How**: Register online at <u>springcypresschurch.com/cfap</u>, click the volunteer registration button!

Contact Amy Haaland with any questions.

#### SAVE THE DATES IN JULY

Mark your calendars!

#### Sunday, July 2

No Sunday School (Independence Day weekend)

### Sunday, July 9

*Sunday School resumes* and continues through the end of July.

## Monday-Friday, July 10-14

*Created for a Purpose* (9am-1:30pm) *Built for a Purpose* (5-8:30pm)

#### Sunday, July 16, 6pm

*Hymn Sing* and highlights from the PCA General Assembly

### Sunday, July 30, 5pm

*Joint Presbytery Evening Worship Service* Southwest Presbyterian Church, Bellaire

## Women in the Word (Ladies' Bible Study)

Tuesday mornings at 9:30am, July 18 & 25 Thursday evenings at 7pm, July 20 & 27

## Men's Bible Study

Tuesday evenings at 7pm, July 18 & 25

#### Youth Group

Wednesday Night Gathering, July 19, 6:15pm Pool Party, Saturday, July 22

# Prayer

#### Pray for Our Church

Our Youth - Pray for our youth parents, Sunday School teachers, and Youth Group leaders as they work together to help our youth grow in their Christian faith.

#### Pray for Our Congregation

Erin Burnett - healing of her back and wrist injuries due to a recent accident.

Laurie, Michael Byerly & family - PRAISE - Hannah Jane was born Wednesday, June 7 weighing in at 5 lbs 11 oz. Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family.

Virginia Faries - healing following surgery to remove her gall bladder.

Jeanne Maddy - PRAISE - Jeanne is home from the hospital; pray for continued healing and pain management.

Ongoing health concerns: René & Clairice Chapelle, Jeff Kuhn, Barbara Langford, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, John Morrison, Mark Morrow, Mary Spiritosanto.

## Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Washington Christian Cory, Army, New York Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

#### Pray for Our College Students

Claire Achterkirch, Samford University Rebekah Duncan, Blinn College Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University Jenna Haaland, Samford University

Joshua Duncan, Army, North Carolina Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department Jessy Wykes, Army, Kentucky

Rebekah Kooiman. Abilene Christian University Aiden Steagall, Lone Star College Izzy Tousha, Lone Star College

#### Pray for Our Friends & Family

Patrick Burton's daughter Sabrina - Pray for complete healing following a vehicle accident.

Vincent & Eleanor Tracey's grandson Elijah - PRAISE - brain tumor was successfully removed; pray that he is able to swallow, regains muscle strength, and that his spinal fluid is cancer-free next week.

Heather Burch's sister Kerri - Pray for comfort following a miscarriage.

Friend of Ayles' family Jimmy Brennan - Pray for restored health.

*Kevin Bailey* - Pray for strengthening of his faith and perseverance as he begins Bible college.

## Pray for Our Expectant Mother

Carrington Jones due in November.

#### Praise with & Pray for Joe & Felicity Congdon, Missions to the World, Tokyo, Japan

- **Praise** God for a great and gifted team of Americans and Japanese that we have working with us.
- **Pray** for a permanent space to use for Sunday worship. We are ready to rent or buy a place but there are very few spaces in our target area big enough. We need the Lord to work a miracle and to provide a space.
- Praise God for blessing two Japanese in our ministry with saving faith in Christ. Pray for Kaori and Mimi as we walk through baptism class with them. Pray that the Lord would protect their young faith and give them a continued love for His Word.
- Pray for the Japanese seekers that attend one of the three community groups our church plant offers. Community groups are our primary means for evangelism and discipleship, and right now most attendees are non-Christians. Pray especially for the salvation of Ryuji, Yuka, Riona, Keiko, Shin, Iro, Shiho, Rino, Kentarou, Nisshi, Satou, Yusuke, and Inoue. 7

# **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 touchscreen 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

**Our Session** Justin Chandler Ben Duncan

Erik Haaland Danny McDaniel

The Session may be reached at: session@springcypresschurch.com

## Our Diaconate

Glenn Ayles Jakob Basham Kyle Bodden Bill Dietz David Jones Stephen Kovach Scott Lewis Wayne Lin Bob Pickard Reed Wykes

## Our Principal Staff

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If you've lost or misplaced an item, please check with the office. Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-3pm

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