

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, July 25, 2021

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRELUDE Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Janice Bradshaw

Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship, and reflect on 1 Timothy 3:16,

"Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness: He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory."

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Isaiah 44:23

Leader: Sing, O heavens, for the LORD has done it;

People: Shout, O depths of the earth;

Leader: Break forth into singing, O mountains,

O forest, and every tree in it!

All: For the LORD has redeemed Jacob, and will be glorified in Israel.

+PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

+SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

How Firm a Foundation (Hymn #94, vs, 1, 3, 4, and 6) (Rippon's Selection of Hymns, 1787; traditional American melody)

I Know Whom I Have Believed (Hymn #705, vs. 1, 2, and 3) (Whittle, McGranahan)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Erik Haaland

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart." Psalm 119:34

"Give me understanding

Worship begins

where spiritual life begins - with

God's call.

Appropriately, we respond with

prayers and

songs of

adoration.

⁺Please stand if able

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Erik Haaland

Leader: Almighty God, you are one, and there is no god besides you.

Though you are Triune, the persons of the godhead

exist in complete harmony and unity of essence, being, purpose, and will.

In light of your unity, you call us to a single-minded devotion

to you, and to your ways.

People: Yet our hearts are divided, our minds are distracted, and our faith and obedience are wavering.

Forgive us for not loving you

with all our heart, soul, and might.

Leader: Father, grant that by the power of your indwelling and empowering Spirit,

> we will live our lives in increasing adoration and devotion to you.

Lord, bring to mind where we have loved created things with greater vigor and devotion than we have you, and hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Erik Haaland

2 Chronicles 7:14

Amen.

If my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Erik Haaland

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

+SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah

(Williams, Casella, Littlepage)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Stephen Kovach

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

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

Elisa Haaland, oboe

Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me

Robinson, Farren, Thompson (arrangement based on CityAlight recording, Duren, Lawrence)

+SONG OF PRAISE

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

Congregation

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

Genesis 3:1-7

Pastor Ben

SERMON

The Fall: Temptation and Sin

Pastor Ben

+SONG OF RESPONSE

Christ the Sure and Steady Anchor

Congregation

(Boswell, Papa, arr. Galbraith, Lawrence)

Pastor Ben

+SONG OF BLESSING

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

POSTLUDE

+BENEDICTION

Janice Bradshaw

Sermon Notes

The Fall: Temptation and Sin

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Announcements

Monday, July 26 SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, July 27 Women in the Word Fellowship Hall Annex CODA Meeting Youth Building	9:30am 7:30pm
Wednesday, July 28 MOPS Field Day Pavilion Youth Group Youth Building	10:00am 6:30pm
Thursday, July 29 Women in the Word Fellowship Hall Annex	7:00pm
Friday, July 30	
Saturday, July 31	
Sunday, August 1 Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:00am

Hospitality Team Meeting TODAY after Sunday School, Fellowship Hall Contact: Tracy

There's a place for you to use your gift of hospitality on a regular or occasional basis, from greeting visitors to making coffee, to big all-church events like the Reformation Party! Come TODAY to this meeting to see where you can plug in!

Mission: Possible:

Pick up your FINAL MISSION TODAY!

I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength. Phil. 4:13

Children PreK-5th grade, should you choose to accept this week's mission, you may pick up your mission folder in the Narthex. Bible memorization, service projects, and activities are all part of the mission. Prizes for the most completed challenges will be awarded the first part of August!

August Slow Down

For the month of August we will not have Sunday School or mid-week activities so that teachers and ministry leaders have time to rejuvenate and plan for an exciting fall kick-off!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR - Fall Kick-Off Sunday, September 5th, after worship

Learn about our church's ministry plans for the fall semester, from new Sunday School classes to midweek activities and special events for everyone!

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

René Chapelle - wisdom for René's medical team, healing following surgery, and encouragement for both René and Clairice.

Jackie Toothman - PRAISE - healing of intestinal hole which alleviated the need for extensive surgery!

Ongoing health concerns: Eldon & Virginia Faries, Carl & Rose Gregory, Barbara Honts, 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 Austin Dragoo, Air Force, Overseas Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department Jessy Wykes, Army, Kentucky

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University Zach Allan, Tarleton State University Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University Lauren Steagall, University of Houston AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Families and Friends

Mindy & Patrick Burton's daughter, *Sydney Brooks* - Sydney is expecting a baby due in August! Pray for a healthy pregnancy and safe delivery.

Jim & Mary Spiritosanto's daughter and Deb Kovach's sister *Rebecca Cooper* - Pray that kidney dialysis will go smoothly and that she will not develop an infection at the port site. Pray that a compatible donor kidney can be found.

Gina Rieger (SCPC-supported missionary) - Pray for healing and encouragement following radiation treatments.

Pray for Our Expectant Mother

Carrington Jones is due in July.

Emily Wykes is due in December.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

David & Eowyn Stoddard, Mission to the World, Europe

- Travel mercies for David as he is visiting churches in the US.
- Praise their oldest daughter, Alethea, graduated from the John F. Kennedy school in Berlin and will be attending university in The Netherlands in the fall.
- Their oldest son, Jesse, will be leaving for China to teach English for a year with a long-term interest in a potential master's degree in Chinese foreign policy.
- Prayer regarding their financial support to address Germany's current stance to allow landlords to charge backpay for rent lost due to not being allowed to raise rents during the pandemic.
- Pray for Eowyn and her Doctorate of Ministry studies: for perseverance as she works alone on independent studies. It's a bit of a lonely road, but pray it would bear fruit.
- Pray for more German church-planters. They'd love to see more reformed and covenantal churches planted in Germany, but are currently bottle-necked by the lack of church-planters..

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. 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

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