



*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 3, 2022

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Janice Bradshaw

PRELUDE

Stephanie Hicks

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ruling Elder Ian Achterkirch

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

Ian Achterkirch

Paul Miller

Metanoia Prison Ministries, PCA Mission to North America

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Stephanie Hicks

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Psalm 46:10,*

*“Be still, and know that I am God.
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth!”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Ian Achterkirch

Psalm 95:3-7

Leader: For the LORD is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth;
the heights of the mountains are his also.

People: **The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands formed the dry land.**

Leader: Oh come, let us worship and bow down;
let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!

All: **For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Ian Achterkirch

*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*

✦Please stand if able

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

O Church, Arise

(Getty, Townend, Getty, Tomlin; arr. Campbell, Lawrence)

At the Cross (Love Ran Red)

(Cash, Armstrong, Tomlin, Redman, Myrin; arr. Galbraith)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ian Achterkirch

Luke 9:23-25

And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself?"

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.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ian Achterkirch

Leader: Father, you have called us in Christ to be your children,
and you have set before us the example of Jesus,
our elder brother and king,
and you have told us to listen to him.

People: **Yet we often fail to heed the word of Jesus,
and instead live as if we are our own,
and as if the preservation and promotion of self
is our most cherished goal.**

Leader: Father, bring to mind where we have not followed the way of Christ,
where we have sought to save our lives instead of dying to self,
and where we have recoiled from, rather than embraced, our cross,
and hear our silent prayers of confession...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

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

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Ian Achterkirch

Galatians 2:16

Yet we know that a person is not justified by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Ian Achterkirch

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Day by Day and with Each Passing Moment (Hymn #676)

(Berg, Ahnfelt)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon David Jones

OFFERTORY

Scott Thibaut

✦ SONG OF PRAISE

The Doxology (Hymn #731)

(Ken, Bourgeois)

Congregation

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Ian Achterkirch

*After the blessing on the first Sunday of the month,
children remain in the service with their parents.*

SCRIPTURE TEXT

Judges 1:1-21

Rev. Ken Thurman

SERMON

Rev. Thurman

A Good Beginning - the Success of Judah and Simeon

✦ SONG OF PREPARATION

Congregation

To God Be the Glory (Hymn #55, vs. 1 and 2)

(Crosby, Doane; arr. Holck, Lawrence)

SERVICE OF COMMUNION

✦ AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Rev. Thurman

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.

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

*We confess our
common faith as
an expression of
our unity in
coming to the
Lord's Table.*

INSTITUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Rev. Thurman

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.

*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."

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

MUSIC OF REFLECTION

Glenn Ayles

✦SONG OF RESPONSE

Congregation

To God Be the Glory (Hymn #55, vs. 3* and 4)
(v3 text from #349, adapted from Psalm 80; Crosby, Doane; arr. Holck, Lawrence)

✦BENEDICTION

Rev. Thurman

✦SONG OF BLESSING

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

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

DEACONS' FUND OFFERING

Announcements

Monday, July 4 - Holiday, office closed	
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, July 5	
Women in the Word 119	9:30am
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, July 6	
Thursday, July 7	
Women in the Word 119	7:00pm
Friday, July 8	
Ladies' Movie & Discussion The Gallery	7:00pm
Saturday, July 9	
Sunday, July 10	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am

Ladies' Night Out: Movie & Discussion

July 8, 7:00 pm, The Gallery

Contact: Carrington

Feminism has over promised and under delivered. Now what? Ladies, join us for a movie night featuring the documentary *Eve in Exile* as we explore the idea of Christian femininity, what women are designed for, and how to live out that design. Sweet and salty movie snacks provided. We will have a time of discussion following the movie.

Youth Group Scavenger Hunt

July 23, 5:30 pm, Youth Building

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!

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY

All classes resume next Sunday, July 10th.

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

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

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

Catherine Seeland - that platelet levels would rise enough to leave the hospital.

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chapelle, 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

Jan Roberts' nephew, *Jim* - healing of serious heart issues.

Mindy Burton's dad, *Tim Nesbitt* - healing with immunotherapy treatments for stage 4 lung cancer; peace for his family.

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.



MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH July 2022

PAUL & LAURA MILLER & JACK TEXAS REGIONAL DIRECTOR METANOIA PRISON MINISTRIES PCA MISSION TO NORTH AMERICA



After Paul graduated from Westminster Theological Seminary, he and Laura launched RUF at Texas A&M Corpus Christi in 2008 where Paul served seven years as campus minister. He has served as an Assistant and Associate Pastor in the PCA, as a hospital chaplain at Methodist Hospital in Dallas, and now serves as the Texas Regional Director of Metanoia Prison Ministries, the official prison ministry of the PCA.

Metanoia (meh-tuh-*nōy*-uh) chose its name because it is the Greek word for repentance, signifying turning from a life of sin to a life that is lived for the glory of God. They partner with churches by providing discipleship and outreach to prisoners in the churches' communities.

Prayer:

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Sermon Notes *A Good Beginning - the Success of Judah and Simeon*

July 3, 2022

Judges 1:1-21

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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