



*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, June 27, 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 Philippians 2:9-10,*

*“Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him  
the name that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth.”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

*Pastor Ben*

*Psalm 150:1-2, 6*

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary;  
praise him in his mighty heavens!

People: Praise him for his mighty deeds;  
praise him according to his excellent greatness!

Leader: Let everything that has breath praise the LORD!

All: Praise the LORD!

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

*Pastor Ben*

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

*Congregation*

*Forever*  
(Tomlin)

*At the Cross (Love Ran Red)*  
(Tomlin, Redman)

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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**

*Pastor Ben*

*1 Corinthians 3:18-20*

Let no one deceive himself. If anyone among you thinks that he is wise in this age, let him become a fool that he may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is folly with God. For it is written, "He catches the wise in their craftiness," and again, "The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise, that they are futile."

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

*Pastor Ben*

Leader: Eternal God, we humble ourselves before your great majesty, against which we have frequently and grievously sinned. We often prefer our own perspective to heavenly wisdom.

People: **Almighty God, we routinely walk according to the pattern of this world, and fail to set apart Jesus as Lord in our hearts. Our fellowship with you and others suffers the disorder of selfish ambition and hurtful practices.**

Leader: Heavenly Father, help us to sow the peace of heavenly wisdom, cultivating gentleness, mercy, and humility, that we may reap a harvest of righteousness as we walk by faith and not by sight. Hear now our silent prayers of personal confession, and forgive us for the sake of Christ...

*silent confession of personal sin*

Amen.

**PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL**

*Pastor Ben*

*Romans 5:8-9*

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

**PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD**

*Pastor Ben*

*concluding with the Lord's Prayer*

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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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**✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING** *Congregation*  
*I Know Whom I Have Believed* (Hymn #705, vs. 1, 3, and 4)  
(Whittle, McGranaham)

**DIACONAL PRAYER** *Deacon Stephen Kovach*

**SPECIAL MUSIC** *Be Alright* *Ben Chandler*  
(Cook, Craft, Gonzalez) *Glenn Ayles*  
*Emily Toothman*

**✦ 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 TEXT** Luke 8:26-37 *Rev. Aaron Halbert*

**SERMON** *The Unexpected Ways of Jesus* *Rev. Halbert*

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

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**✦ SONG OF RESPONSE** *Congregation*  
*Lead On, O King Eternal* (Hymn #580)  
(Shurtleff, Smart, arr. Linker)

**✦ BENEDICTION** *Pastor Ben*

**✦ SONG OF BLESSING** *Gloria Patri* (Hymn #735) *Congregation*  
(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

**POSTLUDE** *Janice Bradshaw*

## **Sermon Notes**

## **The Unexpected Ways of Jesus**

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June 27, 2021

Luke 8:26-37

# Announcements

<b>Monday, June 28</b>		
SAA Meeting Youth Building		7:30pm
<b>Tuesday, June 29</b>		
Women in the Word Fellowship Hall Annex	9:30am	
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm	
<b>Wednesday, June 30</b>		
MOPS Field Day Pavilion	10:00am	
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm	
<b>Thursday, July 1</b>		
Women in the Word Fellowship Hall Annex	7:00pm	
Men's Bible Study Zoom	7:00pm	
<b>Friday, July 2</b>		
<b>Saturday, July 3</b>		
<b>Sunday, July 4</b>		
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:00am	
NO SUNDAY SCHOOL		

## **Missionary Presentation**

**TODAY at 10:30 am, Sanctuary**

Aaron Halbert, our June Missionary of the Month, will be sharing about his work with Mission to the World in Honduras!

## **Baby Shower for Carrington Jones**

**TODAY after Sunday School Fellowship Hall Annex**

A new little baby is coming on board, so let's help mommy celebrate her precious gift from the Lord! Ladies, please join us for a salad brunch baby shower in honor of Carrington Jones and Baby Evelyn Grace.

**NO SUNDAY SCHOOL NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 4TH!**

## **Thank you to all the VBS Volunteers!**

Praise God for a wonderfully successful week of VBS! Thank you Elisa and the over 20 volunteers who demonstrated God's love to the over 40 children who were challenged to join God's Team and run the Race of Faith with wholehearted love and obedience to God.

## **Mission Possible**

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

**Children PreK-5<sup>th</sup> 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 at the end of the summer!

## **Ladies' Beach Day at Galveston!**

**Saturday, July 10, 8:15am-5pm**

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

Summer is flying by! Ladies, let's take in God's beautiful creation at Galveston Beach together! Grab a friend, your beach gear, and that book you've been wanting to read and enjoy a day on the beach! Look for details in the email sent Friday, June 25 or by contacting [women@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:women@springcypresschurch.com). Children are welcome to join us!

## **Built for a Purpose - July 12-17, 5-9pm**

**Boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall**

**Cost: \$75**

**Contact Erik**, [erik@springcypresschurch.com](mailto:erik@springcypresschurch.com)

Register on the church website, [springcypresschurch.com/bfap](http://springcypresschurch.com/bfap).

# Prayer

## **Pray for Our Church**

*General Assembly* - Our denomination's annual General Assembly convenes this week in St. Louis.

Please pray for our church's commissioners: Pastor Ben, Chuck Dorau, and Danny McDaniel.

Additionally, be in prayer for the work of the Assembly as there are some significant issues to be addressed this year.

## **Pray for Our Congregation**

*Joyce Hill* - complete healing of broken collar bone and cut on her head.

*Barbara Honts* - preparation for surgery (now planned in August) for migraines.

*Gail Hume* - healing and relief of sciatic pain and back issues.

*Jackie Toothman* - wisdom for her medical team as they prepare for upcoming enteroscopy surgery.

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

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

*Peter Achterkirch*, Army, Washington

*Shawn Maya*, Spring Fire Department

*Christian Cory*, Army, New York

*Jessy Wykes*, Army, Georgia

*Chris Dietz*, Navy, Texas

## **Pray for Our College Students**

*Charlotte Achterkirch*, Samford University

*Rebekah Kooiman*, Abilene Christian University

*Zach Allan*, Tarleton State University

*Lauren Steagall*, University of Houston

*Austin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University

*AJ Tousha*, Lone Star College

*Justin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University

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

Kelly Renéé Cory's father, *Harvey Kiesling* - PRAISE that he is recovering well from his heart surgery.

Kelly Renéé Cory's mother, *Ella Lyons* - positive results from a heart scan and complete healing following a heart attack.

Jorge Gutierrez's former co-worker *David Sullenberger* - recently diagnosed with stage IV pancreatic cancer, pray for salvation and peace for his family.

Jim & Mary Spiritosanto's daughter and Deb Kovach's sister *Rebecca* - preparation for dialysis.

*Gina Rieger* (SCPC-supported missionary) - healing, comfort, and encouragement during radiation treatments.

## **Pray for Our Expectant Mother**

*Carrington Jones* is due in July.

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

*Aaron & Rachel Halbert*, Mission to the World (MTW), Honduras

- Pray for the congregation of Iglesia Presbiteriana Gracia Soberana in Tegucigalpa and for Aaron as he pastors the flock. Pray that another pastor will be available to lead this church so that Aaron can start a second church plant.
- Pray for Aaron as he leads MTW's Honduras Team.
- Pray for the lifting of restrictions in Honduras due to COVID-19, as there continue to be many new cases primarily due to poverty throughout the country.
- Pray for the strengthening of Aaron & Rachel's marriage.

## 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. 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](http://springcypresschurch.com/give)

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## Our Church Leadership & Staff

### **Elders**

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