

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, June 9, 2024

<u>Celebration of God in Corporate Worship</u>

PRELUDE Brooke Lewis

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ruling Elder Michael Byerly

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Brooke Lewis

Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship, and reflect on Isaiah 9:2.

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone."

+CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER OF ADORATION

Michael Byerly

from Psalm 9

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord with our whole heart: People: We will recount all his wondrous deeds; we will be

glad and exult in him!

Leader: Let us sing praise to the Lord Most High! For he is a stronghold in times of trouble! All:

+SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

(Dyke, Beethoven, Marsh)

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer, Creator (Hymn #97)

(Cory, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclank)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Michael Byerly

Romans 7:21-24

So I find it to be a law that when I want to do right, evil lies close at hand. For I delight in the law of God, in my inner being, but I see in my members another law waging war against the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

"Give me

understanding that I may keep your law and

observe it with

Worship begins

where spiritual

life begins - with

God's call. Appropriately,

we respond with prayers and

> songs of adoration.

mv whole heart." Psalm 119:34

⁺Please stand if able

^{**}Denotes song ending on slides

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Michael Byerly

Leader: Almighty God, we come to you confessing that we are sinners. On the one hand, we desire to please you, but on the other hand, in this life we cannot gain total victory over the war with indwelling sin.

People: Father, we do not do the good we want, but the evil we do not want to do is what we keep on doing. Have mercy on us and deliver us!

Leader: Lord, we rejoice in you knowing that your commitment to us is written in the nail pierced hands of our Savior, whose sacrifice has fully atoned for all our sin. So, hear now our silent personal prayers of confession, and forgive us for the sake of Jesus...

silent confession of personal sin

...Amen!

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Michael Byerly

Romans 8:1-2

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Michael Byerly

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

+SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Every Promise of Your Word

(Getty, Townend)

DIACONAL PRAYER Deacon Bill Dietz

OFFERTORY Jesus Shall Reign Praise Team

(Hatton, Watts, Getty, Getty, Cash)

+SONG OF PRAISE The Doxology (Hymn #731) Congregation (Ken, Bourgeois)

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

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

John 21:15-25

Rev. Chris Crowder

SERMON

Rev. Chris Crowder

God Can Use Anyone to Grow His Kingdom

+SONG OF RESPONSE

Congregation

More Love to Thee, O Christ (Hymn #649, verses 1, 2, and 4)

(Prentiss, Doane)

+BENEDICTION

Rev. Chris Crowder

+SONG OF BLESSING

Gloria Patri (Hymn #735)

Congregation

(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

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

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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Sermon Notes

God Can Use Anyone to Grow His Kingdom

June 9, 2024

John 21:15-25

Announcements

Monday, June 10	
Tuesday, June 11 Men's Bible Study Rm. 119	7:00pm
Wednesday, June 12 Youth Girls Bible Study Youth Building	7:00pm
Thursday, June 13	
Friday, June 14	
Saturday, June 15 - Campus Closed Safety Team Training Sanctuary 9:00am	
Sunday, June 16 Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am

Welcome Rev. Chris Crowder!

Please welcome our guest preacher, Chris Crowder. He and his wife, Beverly, are missionaries supported by SCPC. Chris & Beverly have served with a least-reached mission called SIM since 2004. Chris has held various roles; Front-Line Missionary in Sudan, Sudan Director, and Regional Director for East and Central Africa. He currently serves as the Global Director of Regional Development and is on the executive leadership team. While the Crowders miss living in Kenya and Sudan, they are happy to be near aging parents and excellent high schools. After their teenagers launch into the world, Chris and Beverly hope to redeploy somewhere to serve Jesus overseas.

Missions Presentation - SIM

TODAY, Immediately following the Worship Service

All are invited to remain in the Sanctuary TODAY for this brief, informal presentation on the mission of SIM to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in communities where He is least known with their 4000+ workers in 70+ countries on 6 continents! ***There are no Sunday School classes today, children may remain in the Sanctuary with their parents for the presentation!

Officer Nominations - DEACON ONLY June 2024, Narthex

The selection of men to serve in the office of Deacon is the duty and privilege of the members of SCPC. Officer Nomination Forms are available in the Narthex throughout the month of June, and contain more information about the process and qualifications. Nominations must be received by June 30th.

Safety Team Training - Volunteers Needed THIS SATURDAY, 9am, Sanctuary Contact: David Jones

Our Safety Team invites the congregation to participate in a simulated training event preparing them to respond to medical emergencies as well as suspicious, disruptive, or violent persons. Volunteers will serve as bystanders and injured individuals. Your help will go a long way toward making the training as realistic and effective as possible. Scan to sign up!

Vacation Bible School - Olympion Monday-Friday, June 24-28, 9am-noon Contact: Ashley Lin

VBS is only a few weeks away! Children

ages 4 through entering 6th grade are invited to join us and "Go for the Gold" as 2024 Olympions! Scan to register. The cost is \$15/student or \$30/family. Registration fees may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office. Please be

Video Game Truck Party Saturday, June 22nd, 11am-1pm, SCPC Parking Lot Contact: Felix Espino

sure to clearly note "VBS" on your check/envelope.

Enfuego Youth - Get ready for some gaming! Invite your friends and join us for this afternoon of epic fun on some of the latest technology available!

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Pray for Our Church

Pray for our Children - Pray that they grow in their love for Jesus as we partner with their parents to nurture them in the Lord.

Pray for Our Congregation

Neal Benedict - Pray for favor in working through insurance issues associated with pursuing transplant centers with shorter wait times.

Virginia Faries - Pray for Virginia as she adjust to her new home in MS, and for continued healing. strength, and complete recovery from pneumonia.

Jovce Hill - Please continue to pray for Joyce as she recovers from a recent back injury.

Schaeffer Family - PRAISE - Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family, Oliver Bryce.

McConnell Family - PRAISE - Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family, Felix Nicholas.

Ongoing health concerns: Neal Benedict, René & Clairice Chapelle, Jeff Kuhn, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Ebenezer Musima, Mary Spiritosanto.

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army Reserves, Washington Felix Espino, Army Reserves, Texas Levi Camden, National Guard, Texas Christian Cory, Army, New York Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Pray for Our College Students

Claire Achterkirch, Samford University Rebekah Allcorn, Abilene Christian University Kyle Benedict, Lone Star College Ben Chandler, Samford University

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

Jenna Haaland, Samford University Aiden Steagall, Texas A&M Izzy Tousha, Texas State AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Friends & Family

Sara Carrera - prayer for healing, strength, and endurance for her friend, Stephanie, who is struggling with cancer. Above all, for Stephanie's faith remain strong, and for her reliance on God to increase. Sara's sister, Candace, learned that her cancer has returned. Please pray for peace, healing, and wisdom as they await more information about this diagnosis.

Susy Tousha - Father had a toe amputated due to infection. Please pray that the infection is fully healed. Vincent & Eleanor Tracey - PRAISE that their grandson, Elijah, is making wonderful progress towards regaining the ability to walk, and the results from his resent MRI and spinal tap were clear!

Pray for Our Expectant Mother

Elizabeth Basham, due in July

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Tim & Cheri Hoke, African Bible University (ABU) - Kampala, Uganda

- Safe return travel back to Uganda in August
- Good health prior to and during their teaching assignments in Africa
- Continued growth of students at ABU
- Spreading the gospel in Uganda and in neighboring countries through the graduates of ABU

Email prayer requests to susan@springcypresschurch.com

General Information

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:

Stephen Kovach

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

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

Restrooms are located in the Narthex.



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If you've lost or misplaced an item, please check the Lost & Found at the Visitor's Kiosk!

Office hours: Monday-Thursday, 9am-3pm