



*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, March 20, 2022

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 Psalm 107:30,*

*“Then they were glad that the waters were quiet,
and he brought them to their desired haven.”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Psalm 107:31-32

Leader: Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love,

People: For his wondrous works to the children of man!

Leader: Let them extol him in the congregation of the people,

All: And praise him in the assembly of the elders.

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name (Hymn #297, vs. 1, 3, and 6)
(Parronet, Rippon, Ellor)

O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus (Hymn #535, vs. 1 and 3)
(Francis, Williams; arr. Rawsthorne)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Justin Chandler

Romans 13:12-14

The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

✦*Please stand if able*

*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*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Justin Chandler

Leader: Almighty God, as your children we are called to model
your character and priorities.

**People: Yet our lives are often reflections
of worldly priorities, values, and interests,
and our behavior bears little semblance
to that which we have been called in Christ.
Father, forgive us for making provision
for the desires of the flesh.**

Leader: Lord, bring to mind where we have not pursued righteousness,
and have not modeled you to a watching world.
Forgive us our sins, and grant that we would increasingly live
for your glory even as Jesus did,
and hear now our prayers of silent personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

*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.*

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Justin Chandler

Isaiah 44:21-22

Remember these things, O Jacob,
and Israel, for you are my servant;
I formed you; you are my servant;
O Israel, you will not be forgotten by me.
I have blotted out your transgressions like a cloud
and your sins like mist;
return to me, for I have redeemed you.

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

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Justin Chandler

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Before the Throne of God Above

(Bancroft, Cook)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Stephen Kovach

*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.*

OFFERTORY

Keep Your Lamps
(Spiritual; arr. Thomas)

Choir

Keep your lamps trimmed and burning, the time is drawing nigh.
Children, don't get weary. Christian journey soon be over.

✦ 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

James 2:1-13

Pastor Ben

SERMON

The Impropriety of Partiality

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

At the Cross (Love Ran Red)
(Cash, Armstrong, Tomlin, Redman, Myrin; arr. Galbraith)

Congregation

✦ BENEDECTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

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

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

Sermon Notes

The Impropriety of Partiality

March 20, 2022

James 2:1-13

Announcements

Monday, March 21	
Session Meeting Pastor's Office	7:00pm
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, March 22	
Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, March 23	
Discovering SCPC Room 119	6:30pm
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30 pm
Thursday, March 24	
MOPS Play Date Pavilion & Playground	10:00am
Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Men's Round Table Spiritosanto home	7:00pm
Friday, March 25	
Saturday, March 26	
Youth Group Game Day Youth Building	3:00pm
Sunday, March 27	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am

Praise & Worship Night

Collaborative Hymn Sing & Prayer

Contact: Wes, wesley@springcypresschurch.com

Join us for an evening of hymn singing and prayer, a great way to joyously close out your Lord's day!

Officer Nomination Announcement

The selection of men to serve in the offices of Deacon or Elder is the duty and privilege of the members of the congregation of SCPC. Officer Nomination forms are available in the Narthex and contain more information about the process and qualifications. **All nominations must be received by NEXT SUNDAY March 27, 2022.**

Bibles for Babies

Women AND Men, stop by the table in the Narthex and add your name by your favorite Bible verse or write a word of blessing or encouragement in the Bibles for Amelia Wykes and Maddock Bodden.

Men's Round Table

Thursday, March 24, 7 pm, Spiritosanto home

Contact: Jim

Men, join us for a time of fellowship and theological discussion. Articles to be discussed are emailed one week prior to our meetings. To be added to the distribution list email Elisa,

elisa@springcypresschurch.com.

Youth Group Game Day

Saturday, March 26, 3 pm, Youth Building

Contact: Felix

Senior and Junior High students, bring a friend and a change of clothes for an afternoon of fun!

The Training Ground

Saturday, April 2, 3-7 pm, Fellowship Hall

Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com

RSVP to Elisa by Wednesday, March 30

Boys in 3rd-9th grade and dads, join us for the next *Training Ground* event. We will be wood working, fire building, and cooking camp dinner all while fellowshiping and learning about God's design for men.

Purpose Week 2022 - July 18-22

Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com

Registration for both camps is open! There is special pricing for SCPC members. Contact Elisa for details.

Created for a Purpose is for girls who are entering 4th-9th grade in the fall and will meet from 9:00am-1:30pm.

Spots are filling up quickly!

Built for a Purpose is for boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall and will meet from 5:00-8:30pm.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 15, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary

Childcare available by reservation, contact Elisa,

elisa@springcypresschurch.com.

Easter Sunday Services

Sunday, April 17, 9:00 am & 11:00 am, Sanctuary

Easter Brunch

Sunday, April 17, 10:00 am, The Gallery

Bridal Shower for Elisa Haaland

Sunday, April 24, 11:00 am, Annex

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

Felicity & Kyle Bodden family - PRAISE - Maddock Arthur was born Tuesday, March 1st at 7:30 am! Felicity and Maddock are doing well. Pray for continued good health and the family's adjustment to this newest addition.

Anne Morrison - healing following knee replacement surgery on March 3rd.

Mark Morrow - healing from chronic asthma/COPD.

Ongoing health concerns: *René & Clairice Chapelle, Carl & Rose Gregory, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, 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, Kentucky

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

Daniel Duncan, Lone Star College

Ayden Steagall, Lone Star College

Rebekah Duncan, Montana State University

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Izzy Tousha, Lone Star College

Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Pray for Our Families and Friends

Ian & Christine Achterkirch's daughter *Meredith* - PRAISE - Meredith & Andy are expecting their first child, a girl, in August. PRAY for a healthy pregnancy and safe delivery.

Bob & Renée Pickard's daughter *Lynne* - continued healing from heart issues related to Covid.

Ray Rhoades' mother *Mary Lou* - wisdom, peace, and comfort.

Mindy Burton's father *Tim Nesbitt* - diagnosed with lung cancer. Pray for direction for treatment and peace.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Charlotte Achterkirch, Short-Term Mission Trip to Greece

Pray for

- the group of nursing and social work students as they prepare to serve together.
- the partnering churches and medical personnel in Greece.
- those they will meet and serve.

Praise

- Charlotte's financial responsibilities have been met in full!

Email prayer requests to robin@springcypresschurch.com.

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.

Our Church Leadership & Staff

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*If you've lost or misplaced an item, please check with the office.
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