



*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, March 28, 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 Mark 11:8-9,*

*“And many spread their cloaks on the road,
and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields.
And those who went before and those who followed were shouting,
‘Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!’”*

*Worship begins
where spiritual
life begins - with
God's call.
Appropriately,
we respond with
prayers and
songs of
adoration.*

✦ **CALL TO WORSHIP**

Pastor Ben

Revelation 7:9-10

Leader: After this I looked, and behold,
a great multitude that no one could number,

**People: From all tribes and peoples and languages,
standing before the throne and before the Lamb,**

Leader: Clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,
and crying out with a loud voice:

**All: “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne,
and to the Lamb!”**

✦ **PRAYER OF ADORATION**

Pastor Ben

✦ **SONGS OF ADORATION**

Congregation

All Glory, Laud, and Honor (Hymn #235)
(Theodulph of Orleans c.820, Teschner c.1615)

O Worship the King (Hymn #2, vs. 1, 4, and 5)
(Based on Psalm 104, Grant, JM Haydn, arr. Linker)

✦ *Please stand if able*

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Justin Chandler

Joel 2:12-13

“Yet even now,” declares the LORD,
“return to me with all your heart,
with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning;
and rend your hearts and not your garments.”
Return to the LORD your God,
for he is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love;
and he relents over disaster.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Justin Chandler

Leader: Merciful Lord, we confess that with us there is an abundance of sin,
but in you there is an even greater abundance of mercy.

People: **Though you implore us to turn to you in repentance,
yet so often we prefer to justify ourselves
and do what seems right in our eyes.**

Leader: Lord, strengthen us, and warm us, that we might hate our sin
and turn to you in humble faith and repentance.
Father, hear now our silent prayers of 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

1 John 1:8-9

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Justin Chandler

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

The Power of the Cross
(Getty, Townend)

Congregation

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Scott Lewis

*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

Blessed is He
(Dennis & Nan Allen)

Children's Choir

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!
"Hosanna in the highest!" that ancient song we sing,
for Christ is our Redeemer, the Lord of heaven, our King.
O may we ever praise Him with heart and life and voice,
and ever in His presence eternally rejoice.

✦ 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 READING

2 Thessalonians 2:1-17

Pastor Ben

SERMON

Standing Firm Until the End, Part 3

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded (Hymn #247)
(Gerhardt, Hassler)

Congregation

✦ BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

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

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

Sermon Notes

Standing Firm Until the End, Part 3

March 28, 2021

2 Thessalonians 2:1-17

Announcements

Monday, March 29 SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, March 30 NO Women in the Word Bell Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:00pm 7:30pm
Wednesday, March 31 Choir Rehearsal The Gallery Youth Group Youth Building NO New Member Class	6:00pm 6:30pm
Thursday, April 1 NO Women in the Word The Gallery Men's Bible Study Zoom	7:00pm 7:00pm
Friday, April 2 - Good Friday Good Friday Service Sanctuary	7:00pm
Saturday, April 3	
Sunday, April 4 - Easter Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream Worship Sanctuary	9:00am 10:30am

Deacon Nominations

All nominations must be received by TODAY!

The selection of men to serve in the office of Deacon is the duty and privilege of the members of the congregation of Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church. Deacon Nomination forms are available in the Narthex and contain more information about the process and qualifications.

Good Friday Service

Friday, April 2, 7:00 pm, Sanctuary & Live Stream

Join us for a contemplative service where we will reflect on Christ's incredible sacrifice for us, through scripture, music, and a homily from Pastor Ben.

Easter Worship

9:00 am, Sanctuary & Live Stream

10:30 am, Sanctuary

Join us at one of our **two identical services** for joyous worship, celebrating our risen Lord! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR APRIL EVENTS

Friday, April 2 - *Good Friday Service* (see above)

Sunday, April 4 - *Easter Worship* (see above)

Saturday, April 10 - *Ladies' Road Trip* to attend the Bluebonnet Festival in Chappell Hill

Contact: women@springcypresschurch.com

Grab a girlfriend and join us for a day of live music, local vendor booths, and food trucks! Cost is \$2 cash for parking, bring additional funds for lunch and SHOPPING! Please register by April 7th with the link sent by email Saturday, March 27th.

Sunday, April 11 - *Worship & Communion*, 9:00 am;
Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am

Sunday, April 18 - *Worship*, 9:00 am; ***Sunday School*** for all ages, 10:30 am; ***Bring Your Own Lunch Social***, following Sunday School in the Pavilion

Saturday, April 24 - *Youth Game Day*, 2:00 pm

Sunday, April 25 - *Worship*, 9:00 am; ***Sunday School*** for all ages, 10:30 am, ***Contemporary Praise & Worship***, 6:00 pm

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Session - Praise God for our godly pastor and elders! Pray for them as they seek the Lord's direction and will for our church and wisdom as they shepherd our covenant community.

Pray for Our Congregation

Ritchie Family - PRAISE - we rejoice with the Ritchies on the birth of *George Peter* on March 19th. Mom and baby are home and doing well.

Tony Tousha - employment.

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

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Chris Dietz, Navy, Texas

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Jessy Wykes, Army, Georgia

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University

Ian Allan, Calvin University

Zach Allan, Tarleton State University

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Jacob Kerr, Texas A&M University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University

Lauren Steagall, University of Houston

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Families and Friends

Tim & Cheri Hoke - smooth transition as they've returned to Uganda to begin again their ministry at the African Bible University.

Glenn Ayles' father, *Rodney* - peace and comfort while experiencing failing health.

Gina Rieger (SCPC-supported missionary) - comfort and encouragement during her ongoing cancer treatments.

Pray for Our Expectant Mothers

Carrington Jones is due in July.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Southwest Church Planting Network (SWCPN)

- Pray for the pastors of church plants that they would boldly preach the Gospel and wisely minister to their growing flocks.
- Pray for RUF campus ministers as they mentor student leaders, plan outreach to students on campus, and share the gospel one-on-one, online, and in small group settings.
- Pray for people to join in SWCPN's mission whether as a planter, one who waters, or one who prays for growth.
- Pray for increased funds to support SWCPN and wisdom in the administration of those funds.

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 mothers with infants.
- 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

Our Church Leadership & Staff

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

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

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