



*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, May 1, 2022

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Stephanie Hicks

PRELUDE

Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ruling Elder Danny McDaniel

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

Danny McDaniel

Joe & Felicity Congdon
Mission to the World, Tokyo, Japan

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Janice Bradshaw

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on Psalm 73:26,*

*“My flesh and my heart may fail,
but God is the strength of my heart
and my portion forever.”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Danny McDaniel

Isaiah 40:28-29

Leader: Have you not known? Have you not heard?

People: **The LORD is the everlasting God,
the Creator of the ends of the earth.**

Leader: He does not faint or grow weary;
his understanding is unsearchable.

All: **He gives power to the faint,
and to him who has no might he increases strength.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Danny McDaniel

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

Come Thou Fount

(Robinson, Traditional American Melody; arr. Hogan)

Behold Our God

(Baird, Altrogge; arr. Greer)

*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

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Danny McDaniel

1 Peter 2:1-2

So put away all malice and all deceit and hypocrisy and envy and all slander. Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Danny McDaniel

Leader: Almighty God, we are thankful that your mercy is higher than the heavens, wider than our wanderings, and deeper than all of our sin.

People: Please forgive us for our frivolous attitude toward life, our callousness toward others, our envy of those who have more than we have, our indifference to the treasures of heaven, and our neglect of your wise and gracious Law.

Leader: Father, transform us by your grace so that we might desire what is good, love what you love, and do what you command.

Hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

Amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Danny McDaniel

1 John 4:9-10

In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Danny McDaniel

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

All to Jesus I Surrender (Hymn #562, vs. 1 and 3; arr. Greer)
(VanDeVenter, Weeden)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Bob Pickard

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

OFFERTORY

Grace

Choir

(arr. Mark Hayes)

Text can be found on page 460 in the hymnal.

✦ SONG OF PRAISE

The Doxology (Hymn #731)
(Ken, Bourgeois)

Congregation

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

BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN

Ruling Elder Ian Achterkirch

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

SCRIPTURE TEXT

Psalm 27:1-6

Rev. Ken Thurman

SERMON

The Lord is My Light and My Salvation

Rev. Thurman

✦ SONG OF PREPARATION

Congregation

God, the Lord, a King Remaineth (Hymn #64, vs. 1 and 4)

(Text adapted from Psalm 93 by Keble, Smart; arr. Greer)

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.

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.

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

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."

MUSIC OF REFLECTION

Janice Bradshaw

✦SONG OF RESPONSE

Congregation

God, the Lord, a King Remaineth (Hymn #64, vs. 2 and 5)
(Text adapted from Psalm 93 by Keble, Smart; arr. Lawrence, Rawsthorne)

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

✦BENEDICTION

Rev. Thurman

✦SONG OF BLESSING

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

Congregation

POSTLUDE

Stephanie Hicks

DEACONS' FUND OFFERING

Announcements

Monday, May 2	
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, May 3	
Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
Men's Bible Study Room 116	7:00pm
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, May 4	
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Women's Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	7:00pm
Thursday, May 5	
MOPS Room 130	7:00pm
Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, May 6	
Saturday, May 7	
Sunday, May 8 - Mother's Day	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am

New Sunday School Classes Begin Today

See the bulletin insert for a description of the new classes!

Honoring Our High School Graduates

Claire Achterkirch and Joshua Duncan

Please consider blessing our high school graduates with your expressions of congratulations and encouragement as they end of one chapter of their lives and the beginning of another! Baskets are available in the Narthex to collect your cards and gifts and will be presented to them immediately after worship on Sunday, May 15th.

Women's Choir on Mother's Day!

Rehearsals: **THIS WEDNESDAY, May 4, 7:00 pm**

Sunday, May 8, 8:30 am, Sanctuary

Contact: Wes, wesley@springcypresschurch.com

Calling all ladies who love to sing - we will return to our tradition of a women's choir on Mother's Day! Even if you can't make rehearsal this Wednesday, grab a copy of the anthem from Wes and join us on Sunday at 8:30 am for final prep and polish (coffee and snacks provided). Hope to see you there!

Wednesday Family Night

Wednesday, May 11, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com

RSVP by Sunday, May 8 to Elisa

Our monthly Wednesday Family Night is coming soon! Dinner will be served from 6:30-7:00, then the children will have a lesson and activity and parents will be led in a study.

Church Picnic

Sunday, May 15th, 3-6:30 pm, Pavilion

Contact: Tracy

Make plans to join your church family for our annual church picnic! Fun for the whole family, with an awesome water slide, bouncy houses, petting zoo, delicious food, and fantastic fellowship - you don't want to miss it! We need your help to make this a huge success! **Sign up in the Narthex or reply to the volunteer request email sent 4/27.**

VBS: Space Probe

June 13-17, 9am-noon

Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com

Registration is open now for boys and girls in PreK-3rd grade, join us for an "out of this world" adventure at VBS: Space Probe! 4/8). The registration fee is \$10 per child payable by check or cash (please put "VBS" in the memo line). Register by next Sunday, 5/8 to ensure you get a t-shirt.

Built for a Purpose

July 18-22, 5:30-8:30pm

Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com

Registration is still open for boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall!

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Missions - Pray for our Missions team as they pray for and provide encouragement to the missionaries SCPC supports.

Pray for Our Congregation

Virginia Faries - healing from hand surgery on April 18.

Catherine Seeland - PRAISE - Catherine is now home!

Ray Rhoades and family - comfort and peace following the death of his mother Mary Lou.

Mark Morrow - clarity of testing and wisdom for his medical team; peace and comfort during his hospitalization.

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

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Jessy Wykes, Army, Kentucky

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University

Zach Allan, Tarleton State University

Daniel Duncan, Lone Star College

Rebekah Duncan, Montana State University

Austin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Justin Gatlin, Louisiana State University

Jenna Haaland, Samford University

Rebekah Kooiman, Abilene Christian University

Ayden Steagall, Lone Star College

AJ Tousha, Lone Star College

Izzy Tousha, Lone Star College

Pray for Our Families and Friends

Jim & Mary Spiritosanto's daughter, Deb Kovach's sister, *Rebecca Cooper* - wisdom regarding possible heart surgery and physical strength for kidney dialysis.

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

Joe & Felicity Congdon, Mission to the World, Tokyo, Japan

- **Church Planting** - Pray for Joe as he shepherds Mitsuo & Natsuki who have begun church planting work in Tokyo.
- **Evangelism** - Pray for Congdons as they reach out to those around them through their weekly *Person of Jesus* study on Zoom and through the PTA at their children's school.
- **Sunday School** - Pray for the recently launched Sunday school program for non-Christian elementary school students and their families.

Email prayer requests to robin@springcypresschurch.com.

Sermon Notes

The Lord is My Light and My Salvation

May 1, 2022

Psalm 27:1-6



MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH May 2022

JOE & FELICITY CONGDON ZOEY, JONAH, RAMONA, & LINUS MISSION TO THE WORLD TOKYO, JAPAN



Joe Congdon serves as team lead for Mission to the World in Tokyo, Japan and is also involved in planting churches. Since the COVID immigration restrictions in Japan have been lifted two families have joined the Congdons in Tokyo in April and two single men plan to join them in May!

Prayer points:

- **Church Planting** - Mitsuo & Natsuki, a Japanese couple, joined the Congdons in their church planting work. Pray for good connection and unity for them as they begin working together. Pray the Lord would build up Mitsuo, who recently graduated from seminary, to be a "skilled master builder" (1 Cor 3:10) as he continues his training in pastoral ministry. Pray for wisdom for Joe as he shepherds them through this transition.
- **Evangelism** - The Congdons continue their weekly *Person of Jesus* study on Zoom. A sharp young woman named Mimi started coming recently, pray for the Lord to work in her life. Joe has recently joined the PTA at their children's school, pray that this would open up new doors for them in their relationships with those in the community.
- **Sunday School** - The Congdons recently launched a Sunday school program (Grace School) for non-Christian elementary school students and their families. Pray that many would come, and that the Lord would use the time in the lives of these families to open their hearts to Jesus.

You can find Joe and Felicity on Facebook.





Sunday School Classes Summer Trimester 2022 Sundays at 11:00-11:45 am

Adults

Spiritual Disciplines of the Christian Life Sanctuary

Teachers: Michael Byerly & Chris Dietz

As Christians our goal should always be to grow in both personal holiness and in conformity to Christlikeness. Spiritual disciplines play an important role in our sanctification and spiritual growth. The primary objective of this class is an overview of the biblical spiritual disciplines as well as providing practical ways of incorporating them into the believer's everyday life. Join us for this thought-provoking and devotion-enhancing study!

Youth (6th-12th grade)

Habits of Grace (Junior High)

118

Teacher: Erik Haaland

As Christians we are called to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is part of God's work of sanctification, where we are renewed more and more to the image of Christ. We will be studying how we are able to participate in this process through regularly and consistently partaking of the means of grace.

Spiritual Disciplines (Senior High)

Youth Building

Teachers: Ian Achterkirch

During the summer trimester we will dig into spiritual disciplines - what they are and how to incorporate them into regular habits that will deepen our faith and daily walk with the Lord. We will explore disciplines such as prayer, personal Bible study, meditation, stewardship, fellowship, and in the second part of the class we will look at how to thrive as a Christian in an increasingly secular world.

Children

Children's Wing

Toddlers in our Nursery Ministry will be in a unit entitled *God's People* learning stories from the Old Testament about God's guidance and deliverance of his people.

Room 127

Our **Pre-K and Kindergarten** students will be using a curriculum by *Great Commission Publications* (GCP) and will spend the summer trimester learning about God's promises! Our children will follow God's amazing unfolding promises to Adam and Eve, Noah, Abraham, Jacob, and David to their fulfillment in Jesus the Savior and will be encouraged by God's love and faithfulness to his people.

Room 126

Students in our **Lower Elementary** Sunday school class (grades 1-2) will be using a curriculum by GCP and will spend the summer trimester in the books of Exodus-Judges learning that the stories of the Israelites are more than the dramatic scenes of baby Moses in the reeds, the 10 plagues, the Passover, the crossing of the Red Sea, and the wandering in the wilderness. God used these events to show us *who* he is, that he has a *plan*, and what it means to *trust* him.

Room 124

Students in our **Upper Elementary** Sunday School class (grades 3-5) will continue their two-year *Bible survey course* by studying the New Testament. Students will discover the joy of being called to be a part of this grand narrative of redemption as they study the scriptures together!

Room 125

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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