

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 7, 2023

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	PRE-SERVICE MUSIC		Janice Bradshaw
	PRELUDE		Brooke Lewis
Worship begins	WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENT	S	Pastor Ben
where spiritual life begins - with God's call. Appropriately; we respond with prayers and songs of adoration.	MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH	<i>Julian Zugg</i> MINTS International	Pastor Ben
	PREPARATION TO WORSHIP		Brooke Lewis
	Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship, and reflect on Zechariah 2:13,		
		esh, before the Lord, self from his holy dwelling."	
	+CALL TO WORSHIP & PRAYER (from Isaiah 12:4-6	OF ADORATION	Pastor Ben
	Leader: Give thanks to the LORD make known his deed proclaim that his nam People: Sing praises to the LORD let this be made know	ls among the peoples, ne is exalted. 9, for he has done gloriousl	у;
"Give me understanding that I may keep	Leader: Shout, and sing for joy, O	inhabitant of Zion,	
your law and observe it with	All: For great in our midst is	the Holy One of Israel!	
my whole heart."	+ SONGS OF ADORATION		Congregation

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

Come Praise and Glorify (Kauflin, Chester)

> His Mercy is More (Boswell, Papa)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW Leviticus 20:7-8

Ruling Elder Justin Chandler

Consecrate yourselves, therefore, and be holy, for I am the Lord your God. Keep my statutes and do them; I am the Lord who sanctifies you.

+Please stand if able

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"Give me understand that I may k your law al observe it w my whole he Psalm 119:34

in thought, we People: You have callent to be holy, e Yet we disobey Leader: Father, by your where we have and hear our p	God, t we have sinned against you word, and deed. d us, as your children, even as you are holy. y you by what we do, and by wha		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
flesh, God made alive to trespasses, by canceling legal demands. This he	d in your trespasses and the und ogether with him, having forgiver the record of debt that stood ag set aside, nailing it to the cross. S CHURCH AND THE WORLD	n us all our gainst us with its	Christ
+SONG OF THANKSGIV	ING	Congregation	"Let your
Rejor	steadfast love come to me, O LORD, your salvation		
DIACONAL PRAYER	Ĩ	Deacon Jakob Basham	<i>according to</i> <i>your promise."</i> Psalm 119:41
OFFERTORY	<i>O Magnify the Lord</i> (Tunney; arr. Fettke)	Choir	
	O magnify, O magnify the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together. O magnify the Lord; O magnify the Lord, and may His name be lifted high forever. King of kings and Lord of lords, may His name be lifted high forever.	,	
		continued on the next page	

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

O for a thousand tongues to sing the glories of my God and King. Magnify Him! Hallelujah! Wonders of grace to God belong; repeat His mercies in your song. Magnify Him! Hallelujah! Glorify Him! Hallelujah, hallelujah! O worship Him: O worship Christ the Lord with me. and let us exalt His Name forever. O worship Christ, the Lord; O worship Christ the Lord, and may His name be lifted high forever. Give to the Lord of lords renown; the King of kings with glory crown. Magnify Him! Hallelujah! His mercies ever shall endure when lords and kings are known no more. Magnify Him! Hallelujah! Glorify Him! Hallelujah, hallelujah! **+**SONG OF PRAISE The Doxology (Hymn #731) Congregation (Ken, Bourgeois) BLESSING OF THE CHILDREN Pastor Ben After the blessing on the first Sunday of the month, children remain in the service with their parents. SCRIPTURE TEXT Matthew 9:36-10:4 Pastor Ben SERMON Authority Delegated Pastor Ben **+**SONG OF PREPARATION Congregation Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (Hymn #264, vs. 1 & 2) (Crosby, Doane) SERVICE OF COMMUNION **+**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Pastor Ben

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

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

Pastor Ben

Brooke Lewis

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.

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

+SONG OF RESPONSE Congregation Jesus, Keep Me Near the Cross (Hymn #264, vs. 3 & 4) (Crosby, Doane)

+BENEDICTION		Pastor Ben
+SONG OF BLESSING	<i>Gloria Patri</i> (Hymn #735) (Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)	Congregation
POSTLUDE		Janice Bradshaw
DEACONS' FUND OFFE	ERING	

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

Announcements

Monday, May 8	
Tuesday, May 9 Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
Wednesday, May 10 Youth Fellowship Gather Youth Building	6:15pm
Thursday, May 11 Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, May 12	
Saturday, May 13	
Sunday, May 14 - Mother's Day Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am

Honoring Our 2023 High School Graduate Ben Chandler

Please consider blessing Ben Chandler with your expressions of congratulations and encouragement as he ends one chapter of his life and begins another! A basket is available in the Narthex to collect your cards and gifts and will be presented to him immediately after worship on Sunday, May 21st.

Church Picnic Sunday, May 21, 3-6:30pm Contact: Kyra

NO Sunday School

Make plans to join your church family for our annual church picnic! Fun for the whole family, with water slides, a bouncy house, yard games, card and board games, 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.

Baby Shower honoring Laurie Byerly TODAY, May 7, 12:00pm

Fellowship Hall Annex

Ladies, please join us for a baby shower honoring Laurie Byerly.

Save the Date - Church Work Day Saturday, June 10

Contact: Bob Pickard, bob@springcypresschurch.com The deacons invite adults and youth to join them in working on several projects around campus. Watch for more information coming soon.

New Sunday School Classes Begin TODAY!

Adults: Reformed Christology - the Person and Work of Christ, Sanctuary Teacher: Pastor Ben

Continuing the in-depth course on Reformed

Soteriology began previously, Pastor Ben will lead us in a study of Jesus both in terms of who he is and what he does. Class participants will grow in their devotion to the Lord as well as develop a greater understanding of how his ministry fits into the broader plan and purposes of God for our salvation.

Senior & Junior High: Pilgrim's Progress, Room 116 Teachers: Michael Byerly, Felix Espino, Wayne Lin Contact: Felix

Youth will journey with Christian as he leaves the City of Destruction and makes his way to the Celestial City along a road filled with obstacles and colorful characters.

Toddler & Children's Sunday School Children's Wing

Children will continue the studies they began last trimester.

Youth Group Summer Trimester Activities Contact: Felix

Junior and Senior High youth will meet periodically throughout the summer trimester for a variety of activities: Wednesday night gatherings (worship, teaching, fellowship) and special events (racetrack racing, Hurricane Harbor, pool party, etc.). The first activity is this coming **Wednesday, May 10 at 6:15pm** when the youth will gather for worship, teaching, fellowship, and fun!

Built for a Purpose - July 10-14, 5-8:30pm

Contact: Erik Haaland, erik@springcypresschurch.com Built for a Purpose is a week-long skills camp for boys currently in 2nd-7th grade. The goal of the camp is to teach the boys that they are created in the image of God, by God, and for God. This will be a fun-filled week of projects and activities, worship, and fellowship with men, young and old.

Registration opens Monday, May 8 at noon at springcypresschurch.com/bfap

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Our Hospitality Team - Praise God for the wonderful volunteers in the hospitality ministry! Pray that the Lord would draw more people into this ministry as we seek to warmly welcome visitors and show hospitality and care for one another.

Pray for Our Congregation

David Cate - peace and comfort following the death of his brother Jimmy.
John Morrison - successful treatment of prostate cancer.
Kathryn, Nicholas Ritchie & family - PRAISE Stephen Robert Ritchie was born Saturday, April 22nd (9lbs 1 oz, 22")! Kathryn and Stephen are doing well. Pray for continued good health and for the family's adjustment to the newest addition to their family.

Ongoing health concerns: René & Clairice Chapelle, Rose Gregory, Jeff Kuhn, Rick & Jeanne Maddy, Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Mary Spiritosanto.

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Washington Christian Cory, Army, New York Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University *Claire Achterkirch*, Samford University *Zach Allan*, Tarleton State University *Rebekah Duncan*, Montana State University *Austin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University *Justin Gatlin*, Louisiana State University Joshua Duncan, Army, North Carolina Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department Jessy Wykes, Army, Kentucky

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 Expectant Mothers

Laurie Byerly is due in June.

Pray for Our Friends

Jolene Wykes' brother *Kevin* - healing of heart complications. Martha Dietz' nine-year-old friend, *Kate Tracey* - healing of a brain tumor.

Pray for Julian Zugg, MINTS International Seminary

- Pray for the students from the smallest villages to the largest cities in Africa as they seek to be faithful ministers of the Word.
- Pray for the students in China. They are being pressured and have had to shut things down a bit and are uncertain about when they'll be able to open again.
- Pray for Julian as he faces a number of administrative challenges in his new role as President of MINTS. Pray that they will find a new admin assistant to help process the student registration and degrees.

Email prayer requests to robin@springcypresschurch.com.

Sermon Notes

May 7, 2023

Authority Delegated

Matthew 9:36-10:4



MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH May 2023

JULIAN ZUGG MINTS International Seminary President



MINTS was founded in 2000 as a collaborative effort between church leaders and missionaries. It started in Miami initially to reach what *National Geographic* called "the most international city in the world." As MINTS began classes in other languages for the diverse Miami residents, the work spread to other locations worldwide. MINTS advocates taking the education to the people by having the professors go and establish new schools in an ever-expanding circle of communities rather than expecting students to come to one central location. MINTS provides curriculum, high academic standards, administrative software, and training to national believers to start schools in their own communities in churches, schools, and homes. They can do this with little or no cost so once they are established we assist them in establishing new centers in new areas so they can continue the Great Commission.

Julian Zugg is the new President of MINTS. In addition to the extra duties as president, he continues to travel. In April he taught classes on Revelation in Uganda, eschatology in Zambia, the doctrine of the Holy Spirit in Ethiopia and preached on Sundays in churches in those countries. He is now back in the States and continues to teach Covenant Theology, Hermeneutics, and Synoptics Gospels via Zoom and the internet to students in Ethiopia, China, and Zimbabwe.

Prayer Requests:

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

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