

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 8, 2022

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Janice Bradshaw

PRELUDE Stephanie Hicks

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Stephanie Hicks

Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship, and reflect on John 1:5,

"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

+CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

based on Exodus 15:1-2

Leader: Let us sing to the LORD, for he has triumphed gloriously;

People: The Lord is our strength and our song, and he has become our salvation;

Leader: This is our God,

All: And we will praise him.

+PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

+SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

Living Waters

(Getty, Getty, Cash; arr. Lawrence)

Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

(Newton, Traditional American Melody, Giglio, Tomlin)

DECLARATION OF GOD'S LAW

Ruling Elder Ian Achterkirch

Proverbs 1:8-9

Hear, my son, your father's instruction, and forsake not your mother's teaching, for they are a graceful garland for your head and pendants for your neck.

"Give me understanding that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart." Psalm 119:34

Worship begins

where spiritual life begins - with God's call.

Appropriately,

we respond with prayers and

songs of

adoration.

⁺Please stand if able

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Ian Achterkirch

Leader: Almighty God, you have given us parents,

both a father and a mother.

to raise us, and to instruct us in the way we should go. On this day, we especially thank you for the gift of mothers.

People: Yet as children we often took for granted our parents, as adolescents we chafed at their rules,

and as adults we find it too easy to live our own lives without remembering them.

Leader: Father, grant that we should honor our father and our mother

by remembering them, and showing appreciation for their investment in us, and by walking in what is

for their investment in us, and by walking in what is right, as we were taught.

Lord, bring to mind where we have disregarded you by disregarding our father and our mother, and hear our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin Amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Ian Achterkirch

Isaiah 66:13

As one whom his mother comforts, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Ian Achterkirch

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

+SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Choir

Turn Your Eyes

(Lemmel, Romanacce, Winebarger, Stiff, Trout; arr. Loehrs, Lawrence)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Bob Pickard

OFFERTORY I Will Arise

(arr. Drennan)

Text can be found on page 472 in the hymnal.

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.

God's law

"Let your steadfast love come to me, O LORD, your salvation according to your promise." Psalm 119:41 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. **+**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 4:1-10

Pastor Ben

SERMON

The Path to Peace

Pastor Ben

+SONG OF RESPONSE

Congregation

He Will Hold Me Fast

(Habershon, Merker, Sibelius; arr. Campbell, Lawrence)

+BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

+SONG OF BLESSING

Gloria Patri (Hymn #735)

Congregation

(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

POSTLUDE

Janice Bradshaw

Sermon Notes

The Path to Peace

May 8, 2022

James 4:1-10

Announcements

Monday, May 9	
SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, May 10	
Women in the Word Room 119	9:30am
CODA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Wednesday, May 11	
Wednesday Family Night Fellowship Hall	6:30pm
Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:30pm
Youth Group Youth Building	6:30pm
Thursday, May 12	
MOPS Play Date Pavilion & Playground	10:00am
Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Diaconate Meeting Pastor's Office	7:00pm
Friday, May 13	
Saturday, May 14	
Church Picnic Set Up	8:30am
Sunday, May 15	
Worship Sanctuary & Live Stream	9:30am
Sunday School for all ages	11:00am
Church Picnic Pavilion	3:00pm

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 one chapter of their lives and begin 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.

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 watch for a text this afternoon.

Wednesday Family Night Wednesday, May 11, 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall Contact: Elisa, elisa@springcypresschurch.com RSVP by TODAY to Elisa

Our monthly Wednesday Family Night is this Wednesday! 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.

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 TODAY to ensure you get a t-shirt.

Built for a Purpose July 18-22, 5:30-8:30pm

Contact Elisa, <u>elisa@springcypresschurch.com</u>
Registration is still open for boys entering 4th-9th grade in the fall!

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Session - Pray for our Session as seek the Lord's direction and will for our church, and wisdom as they shepherd our covenant community.

Pray for Our Congregation

Daniel Duncan - PRAISE - Daniel will be starting truck driving school on May 9th. Pray that he successfully completes the course and then finds employment.

Catherine Seeland - PRAISE - Catherine is now home!

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

Mark Morrow - comfort and peace for Mark and Jan as they wait for test results of muscle biopsy.

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

Cason Moncrief - PRAISE, he received a promotion!

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.

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.

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

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