



*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, September 25, 2022

Celebration of God in Corporate Worship

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

Brooke Lewis

PRELUDE

Janice Bradshaw

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Ben

PREPARATION TO WORSHIP

Janice Bradshaw

*Please take a moment to silently prepare to worship,
and reflect on 1 Timothy 3:16,*

*“Great indeed, we confess, is the mystery of godliness:
He was manifested in the flesh,
vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels,
proclaimed among the nations,
believed on in the world, taken up in glory.”*

✦CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Ben

Isaiah 44:23

Leader: Sing, O heavens, for the LORD has done it;
shout, O depths of the earth;

People: **Break forth into singing, O mountains,
O forest, and every tree in it!**

Leader: For the LORD has redeemed Jacob,

All: **And will be glorified in Israel.**

✦PRAYER OF ADORATION

Pastor Ben

✦SONGS OF ADORATION

Congregation

All Praise to God (Hymn #4, vs. 1, 3, and 6)
(Schütz, Cox, *Bohemian Brethren's Gesangbuch*, arr. Greer, Rawsthorne)

What Wondrous Love Is This? (Hymn #261)
(American folk hymn, *The Southern Harmony*, arr. Lawrence)

*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

Pastor Ben

Deuteronomy 6:4-5

Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Pastor Ben

Leader: Almighty God, you are one, and there is no god besides you. Though you are Triune, the persons of the godhead exist in complete harmony and unity of essence, being, purpose, and will. In light of your unity, you call us to a single-minded devotion to you, and your ways.

People: **Yet our hearts are divided, our minds are distracted, and our faith and obedience are wavering. Forgive us for not loving you with all our heart, soul, and might.**

Leader: Father, grant that by the power of your indwelling and empowering Spirit, we will live our lives in increasing adoration and devotion to you. Lord, bring to mind where we have loved created things with greater vigor and devotion than we have you, and hear now our silent prayers of personal confession...

silent confession of personal sin

...amen.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF GOD'S GOSPEL

Pastor Ben

Romans 8:31-33

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

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

*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.*

PRAYER FOR CHRIST'S CHURCH AND THE WORLD

Pastor Ben

concluding with the Lord's Prayer

✦ SONG OF THANKSGIVING

Congregation

Jesus, I My Cross Have Taken

(Lyte, Moore)

DIACONAL PRAYER

Deacon Jakob Basham

OFFERTORY

Children of the Heavenly Father

Choir

(arr. Forrest)

Text can be found on page 131 in the hymnal.

✦ SONG OF PRAISE

The Doxology (Hymn #731)

Congregation

(Ken, Bourgeois)

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

Micah 6:1-8

Pastor Ben

SERMON

The Vindication of God

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF RESPONSE

He Will Hold Me Fast

Congregation

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

✦ BENEDICTION

Pastor Ben

✦ SONG OF BLESSING

Gloria Patri (Hymn #735)

Congregation

(Traditional 2nd century text, Greatorex)

POSTLUDE

Brooke Lewis

Sermon Notes

Micah: Who Is Like the Lord?

September 25, 2022

The Vindication of God

Micah 6:1-8

Announcements

Monday, September 26 SAA Meeting Youth Building	7:30pm
Tuesday, September 27 Women in the Word Room 119 CODA Meeting Youth Building	9:30am 7:30pm
Wednesday, September 28 Youth Group Youth Building Choir Rehearsal Sanctuary	6:15pm 6:30pm
Thursday, September 29 Women in the Word Room 119	7:00pm
Friday, September 30	
Saturday, October 1	
Sunday, October 2 Worship & Communion Sanctuary & LS Sunday School for all ages Digging Deeper Sanctuary LS = Live Stream	9:30am 11:00am 6:00pm

Welcome Brooke Lewis!

We are excited to announce that our own Brooke Lewis has accepted the position as staff pianist here at SCPC! We are blessed that the Lord ordered things for us to welcome a new staff member who is already a member of the church, and we look forward to the rich blessings the Lord has in store for us through Brooke. If you haven't yet had the chance, take a moment to say hello to Brooke this morning!

Digging Deeper. *Systematic Theology in Depth*

TONIGHT at 6:00 pm, Fellowship Hall Annex

Next Class: Sunday, October 2 at 6:00 pm

Contact: Pastor Ben

Adults, join us for this seminary-lite study of systematic theology. We will begin by examining various prolegomena matters before diving into what the Bible teaches us about the person of God.

Discovering Spring Cypress Presbyterian Church

Our Culture, Confession, and Calling

Wednesday evenings, 6:30-8 pm

Fellowship Hall Annex

5 weeks (September 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26)

Registration is required by TODAY.

Learn what kind of church we are trying to be, our beliefs, ministry, and mission. Open to all - the curious and those desiring to join SCPC. Sign up in the Narthex or on our website, springcypresschurch.com.

Merciful Like Him Women's Conference

Saturday, October 8, 8:30am-3:00pm

Fellowship Hall Annex

Contact: Pam McDaniel

Cost: \$20 (\$21 by credit card)

Ladies, invite a friend and join us as we consider what the Bible says about mercy, learn more about Care Net Pregnancy Center, and make baby tie-blankets to donate to Care Net. **Register by TODAY** at springcypresschurch.com/merciful-conference.

Tables of Eight

Contact: Christine Achterkirch

Adults, we invite you to build deeper relationships with others in the church by sharing a meal with a small group in a host's home.

Dinners are hosted quarterly. Contact Christine for more information and to **sign up by next**

Sunday, October 2.

Prayer

Pray for Our Church

Children - Pray that they grow in their love for Jesus as we partner with their parents to nurture them in the Lord.

Pray for Our Congregation

Neal Benedict - healing from bladder cancer surgery; successful treatment of cancer.

Byerly family - PRAISE - King's adoption was finalized! Continue to pray for his birth family.

Denise Cooper - peace and comfort following the death of her mother Joyce Hatfield.

Bruce Honts - healing from periodontal surgery, that the bone graft will take and not be rejected.

Jeff Kuhn - strength, stamina, and peace while he has radiation and chemo treatments for esophageal cancer.

Brenda Ricks - positive results from medication for treatment of an aortic aneurysm.

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

Katie Medeiros, Mark Morrow, Jim Spiritosanto.

Pray for Our Military and First Responders

Peter Achterkirch, Army, Washington

Christian Cory, Army, New York

Chris Dietz, Navy Reserves, Texas

Joshua Duncan, Army, Georgia

Shawn Maya, Spring Fire Department

Jessy Wykes, Army, Europe

Pray for Our College Students

Charlotte Achterkirch, Samford University

Zach Allan, Tarleton State University

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 Expectant Mothers

Theresa Adams is due in February.

Christine Harris is due in March.

Pray for Our Family & Friends

Daniel Burch's friend *Justin Gray* - peace and comfort for Justin, his wife, and three young children, as Justin faces a terminal prognosis from cancer.

Jolene Wykes' brother Kevin - successful open heart surgery scheduled for September 29.

Bruce & Barbara Honts' daughter *Rebecca* - PRAISE for the safe delivery of Caleb Julton Tomanguillo Honts.

Patricia Wyatt's granddaughter *Mistie Hoot* - healing and strength following abdominal surgery..

Pray for Our Missionary of the Month

David & Eowyn Stoddard, International Director for Europe, PCA Mission to the World

- Praise for a fruitful and encouraging Home Ministry Assignment this summer.
- Pray for Ethan as he heads to Paderborn, Germany to play in a national baseball tournament September 22nd to 25th.
- Pray for David as he travels back to Atlanta the week of September 26th for the PCA's Committee to MTW meetings.
- Pray for Eowyn as she prepares to speak at several conferences in Berlin and Switzerland.

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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