

Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 6, 2020

10:30am

Welcome and Invocation

*“Rain Down”*

(see attachment)

*(Refrain) Rain down, rain down, rain down your love on your people.  
Rain down, rain down, rain down your love, God of life.*

Faithful and true is the word of our God. All of Gods works are so worthy of trust.  
God’s mercy falls on the just and the right; full of God’s love is the earth. (Refrain)

We who revere and find hope in our God live in the kindness and joy of God’s wing.  
God will protect us from darkness and death; God will not leave us to starve. (Refrain)

God of creation, we long for your truth; you are the water of life for our thirst.  
Grant that your love and your peace touch our hearts, all of our hope lies in you.

(Refrain)

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Prayer of Confession Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Forgiving God, your way of love teaches us to seek reconciliation with those who have wronged us. But we let resentment smolder until anger flares, destroying any chance of peace. We blame others and refuse to repent. Grant us grace, we pray. Make space in our wounded hearts for the possibility of forgiveness, and teach us to love one another the way you love us. Amen.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon...

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel,  
**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.**

Response

*“Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound”*

(vs. 1)

Amazing grace, how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me!  
I once was lost, but now and found, was blind, but now I see.

Scripture Reading

*Matthew 5:43-48*

Message

*“Loving Others”*

Pastor John

Presentation of Our Gifts and Offerings

Prayers of the People and the Lord’s Prayer

**The Lord’s Prayer:** Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

## Celebration of the Lord's Supper

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you;

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and praise...**

### Distribution of the Elements

#### Song

*"I Come with Joy"*

(see attachment)

I come with joy, a child of God, forgiven, loved and free,  
The life of Jesus to recall, in love laid down for me,  
in love laid down for me.

I come with Christians far and near to find, as all are fed,  
The new community of love in Christ's communion bread,  
in Christ's communion bread.

As Christ breaks bread, and bids us share, each proud division ends.  
The love that made us, makes us one, and strangers now are friends,  
and strangers now are friends.

The Spirit of the risen Christ, unseen, but ever near,  
Is in such friendship better known, alive among us here,  
Alive among us here.

Together met, together bound by all that God has done,  
We'll go with joy, to give the world the love that makes us one,  
The love that makes us one.

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#### Benediction

Brothers and sisters, as the Church of Jesus Christ, go from this place...

**Knowing Christ, growing in God's love, and serving as  
the Holy Spirit leads.**

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**Communion—today.** The denomination has offered clear guidance for celebrating the Lord's Supper virtually. If you are participating in virtual worship on today, the sacrament will be part of the worship service. Please have some bread and grape juice to share with all who are participating in the worship service. Please do not substitute the elements with anything other than bread and juice (for example, Doritos and coke is not the sacrament).

**Come one, come all to CTPC Workday!!** The Property Committee will be conducting a workday on Saturday, September 12th, starting at 8:30am. We will be working on trimming bushes, weeding, and other outside beautification of the Church property. Bring you gloves, trimmers, shovels, rakes, and other implements of destruction and help get the outside of the Church ready for our tentative reopening in October.

**Online Giving.** Online giving helps you to bring your offering before God. In addition to the no-fee Facebook donations and nominal fee Paypal service, we set up online giving through the Presbyterian Foundation. **Money donated via any of these services gets deposited to our church bank account.** By going through the Foundation, the fee they charge actually helps the mission of their organization, which is to help Presbyterian churches to be excellent stewards of their gifts and resources. The exciting part about working with the foundation is that we are able to use a mobile app that is connected to our account. The app is called Give Plus (created by Vanco) and you can find it at the Google Play Store if you have an android device or you may find the app in the Apple app store by searching for "Give Plus." The great part about the Give Plus app is that you can set up for weekly, monthly or one time giving! If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you.

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