

The musical offering allows us time to reflect on all that God has given us.

Offering is our response to all that God has given us!

Our sending is a recommitment to the mission of Charles Town Presbyterian

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Musical Offering

Presentation of our Gifts and Offerings

*Sung Response

“Great God of Every Blessing” No. 694 (vs. 1)

Great God of every blessing, of faithful, loving care,
You are the fount of goodness, the daily bread we share.
How can we hope to thank you? our praise is but a start:
Sincerely and completely I offer you my heart.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Song “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” No. 275

*Sending

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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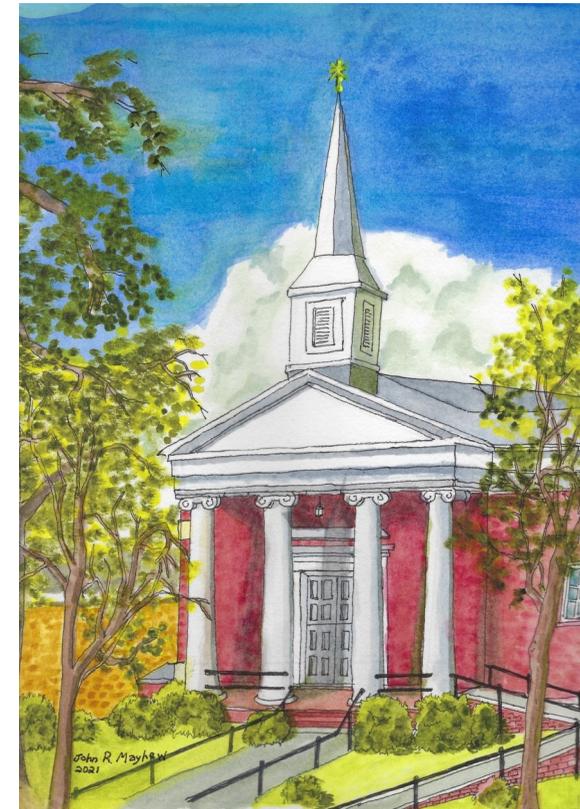
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CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022

10:30 AM



Know. Grow. Serve.

Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"How Can I Keep From Singing?"*
© 2018 by GIA Publications) arr. John Atteberry
Geneva Ringers

Call to Worship Psalm 147:6,7,10,11

The Lord lifts up the humble;
he casts the wicked to the ground.
**Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
make melody to our God on the lyre!**
His delight is not in the strength of the horse,
nor his pleasure in the legs of a man,
**But the Lord takes pleasure in those who fear him,
in those who hope in his steadfast love.**

*Song *"We Are Singing"* LUYH No. 56

*Song *"Holy Is the Lord on High"* LUYH No. 31

*Song *"Halle, Halle, Hallelujah"* LUYH No. 28

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Loving God, you have formed a covenant with us,
committing yourself to us and inviting us to walk with you.
Yet we have resisted, seeking other companions, going in
different ways, thinking that we know best. Now we find
ourselves far from life, further still from you. Have mercy on
our waywardness. Help us find our way back. Give us faith so
that we can hold the hand you have extended to us in Jesus
Christ.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon...

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

*Sung Response to Confession

"Create in Me a Clean Heart, O God" No. 423 (vs. 1)
Create in me a clean heart, O God;
Create in me a clean heart, O God;
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
And renew a right spirit within me.

Children's Moment Garth Stevens-Jennings

Special Music *"How Can I Keep from Singing?"* Choral setting
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Glory Singers

Sung Call to Prayer

"More Love to Thee, O Christ" No. 828 (vs. 1)
More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee!
Hear thou the prayer I make on bended knee.
This is my earnest plea: more love, O Christ, to thee;
More love to thee, more love to thee!

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.

*Song *"My Life Flows On"* No. 821

Scripture Philippians 3:17-4:1 p. 1166

Message *"Following"* Pastor John

*Songs listed with
"No. " are found
in the purple
hymnal. Songs
listed with
"LUYH" are
found in the light
blue songbook*

*When this
symbol (*)
precedes an
element of the
service, please
rise in body or
spirit.*

*Confessing our
sins brings us to
a place of humil-
ity, allowing us
to hear God
more clearly as
we worship.*

*The congrega-
tion responds in
song because
God hears our
prayer.*

*The sung call to
prayer gets us
ready to bring
our prayer
request to God.*

*Prayer in
worship connect
us to God and to
one another.*

“How Can I Keep from Singing?” (today’s special music)

There is an endless song,
Echoes in my soul, I hear the music ring
And though the storms may come
I am holding on
To the rock I cling
How can I keep from singing Your praise
How can I ever say enough
How amazing is Your love
How can I keep from shouting Your name
I know I am loved by the King
And it makes my heart want to sing
I will lift my eyes
In the darkest night
For I know my Savior lives
And I will walk with You
Knowing You’ll see me through
And sing the songs You give
I can sing in the troubled times
Sing when I win
I can sing when I lose my step
And fall down again
I can sing 'cause You pick me up
Sing 'cause You’re there
I can sing 'cause You hear me, Lord
When I call to You in prayer
I can sing with my last breath
Sing for I know
That I’ll sing with the angels
And the saints around the throne
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Tools for a Growing Faith

All are welcome to join us for this six-week study during Lent. Each week will focus on a different topic that is integral to personal discipleship and spiritual growth. This series will be led by Pastor John and Garth Stevens-Jennings. Participants are welcome to attend one, several, or all of the meetings. While the whole series will be of benefit to all who attend, if there are one or two topics that stand out, it is fine to attend only those weeks.

We will meet in the church parlor on Saturdays at 10am.

March 19
March 26
April 2
April 9

Prayer and Fasting
Study, meditation, solitude
Spiritual Gifts and Service
Sharing Our Faith

Questions? Email Pastor John at jbethard@ctpres.org,
or Garth at garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org.

We will follow the most recent pandemic guidelines adopted by the session.

Today’s Scripture Reading **Philippians 3:17-4:1**

¹⁷ Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. ¹⁸ For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. ¹⁹ Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly things. ²⁰ But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. ²¹ He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. ⁴ ¹ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Notes:

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Warmly Welcome Visitors in the name of our Lord. We invite you to tell us more about yourself by filling out a visitor's card, and placing it in the offering plate located in the narthex.

The session is looking for a treasurer. Duties include: attending quarterly Joint Finance Team Meetings, ensuring all bookkeeping procedures are being followed, presenting quarterly reports to the Joint Finance Team, and ensuring the annual financial review is completed and presented to Session. This person should be versed in financial practice and able to commit to the tasks outlined above. Interested persons are welcome to contact the chair of the finance committee, Kathy Donadio, at feebler8@gmail.com.

The Congregational Nominating Committee has begun work on securing nominees for elders, deacons, trustees, and at-large members for next year's nominating committee. If you have suggestions for persons the CNC might consider, please be sure to speak with Sue Flanagan, Hoyle Fulbright, Diane Mayhew, David Weil or Patsy White.

Memorial or Honorarium Lilies. Lilies are available this year to be placed in the sanctuary on Resurrection Sunday, April 17th. Please call or email the church office (304-725-5316 or ctpres@ctpres.org) by **Wednesday, March 30th**, to place an order. Cost is \$15. Pet owners, please be advised that lilies are toxic to our pets when ingested. Please take necessary precaution.

Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt: Palm Sunday will be here soon! On Palm Sunday, April 10th, is our annual Easter Egg Hunt for the kiddos. Weather permitting, we will have two different hunts: the 2-5 year olds will hunt on the grass lawn of Mildred street and the 6-10 year olds will hunt for eggs around the playground equipment and the lawn closest to the manse. **We are asking for candy donations for inside of the eggs.** No Hershey kisses or foil wrapped candies, please. We had some ants get into our eggs last year, which was not a fun surprise. If you can donate a bag or two of candy, please drop them off in Garth's office on Sundays or at the Church Office during the week. Thank you!

Sermon Passages: March 20th: Luke 13:1-9, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; March 27th: Psalm 32; April 3rd: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21.

Please consider the following daily scripture readings this week: Monday: Deuteronomy 11-13; Psalms 43; Tuesday: Deuteronomy 14-16; Psalms 44; Wednesday: Deuteronomy 17-19; Psalms 45; Thursday: Deuteronomy 20-22; Psalms 46; Friday: Deuteronomy 23-26; Psalms 47; Saturday: Deuteronomy 27-30; Psalms 48; Sunday: Deuteronomy 31-34; Psalms 49.

For those who wish to continue with the Bible reading plan in 2022, you can access or download the document [here](#). This plan is a little different than the 2021 plan. The 2021 plan had only five readings per week, and we were able to finish the entire New Testament. The 2022 plan has two readings every day, and they are a little longer, but we will read through the whole Bible in a year. If you read through the 2021 plan, it is okay to use this plan but skip the New Testament readings. These are the readings from which Pastor John will do his daily devotions each morning on the church Facebook page.

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 Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement on the Google Play or Apple App Store. You can set up for weekly, monthly or one time giving! Note: If you were previously using the "Give Plus" app, that has been superseded by the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement as of January 31, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you. **For electronic giving, please scan here:**



The flower chart for 2022 is available for sign up. It is located on the bulletin board by the church office or call at 304-725-5316. If you would like to donate your flowers for the deacons to deliver to a shut-in or someone in the hospital, please call the church office.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Joseph Farmer, Mike Thompson, David VanVuuren, Vincent Pugh.

Prayer Concerns: U.S. troops serving worldwide. Please continue to pray for those who are sick. Missionaries supported by CTPC: Drake Williams, Mark Hare in Haiti, Michael & Cathy Sander in Eswatini. Please keep these faithful servants in prayer. **Those persons admitted to the hospital or nursing home seeking a visit from Pastor John must have a family member make contact with the church office. HIPAA law prohibits hospitals from divulging their patient roster.**

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. Sunday's Receipts: \$3,967; On-Line Giving—\$882; Special Offerings: Loose—\$31; Sunday School—\$25; Ash Wednesday—\$105; Fellowship Hall Roof—\$400; Help Fund—\$80; Hunger—61.

Last Sunday Worship: In-person—64; Nursery—0; Virtual Views-NA

Ushers for March: Anne Portrey, Tommy Morgan

Ushers for April: Judy Edwards, Debra Low

CTPC Upcoming Events:

March 19th: Tools for Growing Faith 10:00am
March 26th: Tools for Growing Faith 10:00am
April 2nd: Tools for Growing Faith 10:00am
Friendship Ministry Meal 5:30pm
April 9th: Tools for Growing Faith 10:00am
April 10th: Palm Sunday—Easter Hunt following worship
Beulah Chapel 1:30pm
April 14th: Maundy Thursday Service 7:00pm
April 15th: Community Cross Walk at Asbury UMC 10:00am
April 17th: Resurrection Sunday—One Great Hour of Sharing Offering
Community Sunrise Service at Jefferson Memorial Park 6:30am
April 18th: OFFICE CLOSED

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 13

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
3-5:00pm Kid's Group

Thursday, March 17

8:30-9:30am WW Workshop
10-11:00 WW Workshop
5:30 pm Friendship Ministry Meal
5:30-6:30pm WW Workshop

Monday, March 14

5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)
7:00pm Technology & Communication Mtg
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Saturday, March 19

10:00am Tools for Growing Faith study
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Wednesday, March 16

13:30pm Legato Ringers
6:30pm Geneva Ringers
7:00pm CAV Meeting
7:30pm Glory Singers
8:30pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, March 20

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
3-5:00pm Kid's Group