

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

“O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing with Sing to the King”

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arr. Carol Tornquist

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 *“Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart”* No. 804

*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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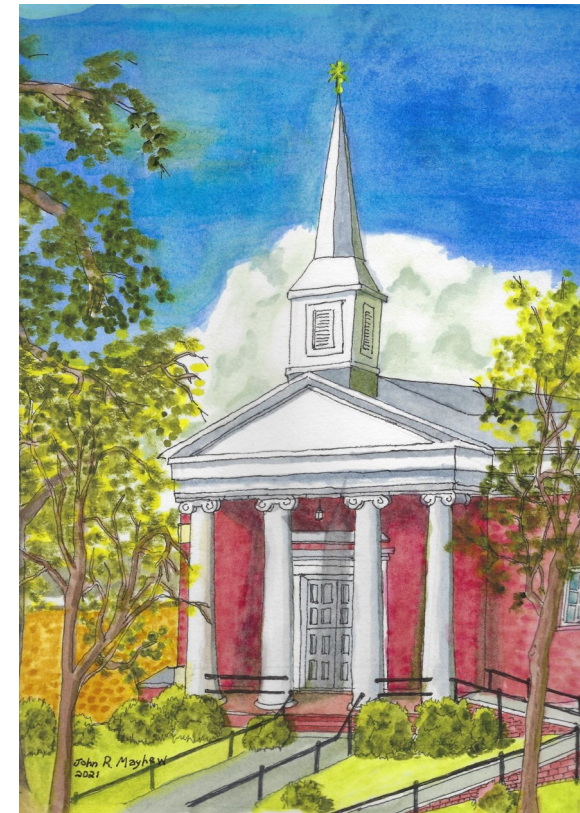
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CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 2022

10:30 AM



Know. Grow. Serve.

“Graves into Gardens” (today’s prelude)
I searched the world but it couldn’t fill me
Man’s empty praise and treasures that fade are never enough

Then You came along and put me back together
And every desire Is now satisfied
Here in Your love (hey)

Oh, there’s nothing better than You there’s nothing better than You
Lord, there’s nothing, nothing is better than You

I’m not afraid to show You my weakness
My failures and flaws Lord, You’ve seen ‘em all and You still call me friend

‘Cause the God of the mountain is the God of the valley
There’s not a place Your mercy and grace won’t find me again

Oh, there’s nothing better than You ,there’s nothing better than You
Lord, there’s nothing, nothing is better than You

You turn mourning to dancing, You give beauty for ashes
You turn shame into glory, You’re the only one who can

You turn graves into garden, You turn bones into armies
You turn seas into highways, You’re the only one who can
You’re the only one who can

Oh, there’s nothing better than You, there’s nothing better than You
Lord, there’s nothing, nothing is better than You

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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.

April 2 Spiritual Gifts and Service

April 9 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 Readings Psalm 32

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven,
whose sin is covered.

² Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

³ While I kept silence, my body wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

⁴ For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. *Selah*

⁵ Then I acknowledged my sin to you,
and I did not hide my iniquity;

I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”
and you forgave the guilt of my sin. *Selah*

⁶ Therefore let all who are faithful
offer prayer to you;

at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters
shall not reach them.

⁷ You are a hiding place for me;
you preserve me from trouble;

you surround me with glad cries of deliverance. *Selah*

⁸ I will instruct you and teach you the way you should go;
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

⁹ Do not be like a horse or a mule, without understanding,
whose temper must be curbed with bit and bridle,
else it will not stay near you.

¹⁰ Many are the torments of the wicked,
but steadfast love surrounds those who trust in the LORD.

¹¹ Be glad in the LORD and rejoice, O righteous,
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart.

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.

Six-cents a meal offering will be collected today to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

One Great Hour of Sharing to Support Ukraine. Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing allow for an immediate response from Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) when emergencies first occur, often responding to crises that never make it into the news. In this volatile situation, PDA was able to provide urgent funding to trusted, established partners with the expertise to carry out humanitarian aid. Reformed and Orthodox church partners, like the Community of St. Egidio and Hungarian Reformed Church Aid, are working closely with local churches and organizations to provide food, water, clothing, shelter, psychosocial support and other basic items for survival. They are the "boots on the ground," listening and responding to the needs of those impacted. To stay informed about the work Presbyterians are doing in and around Ukraine, visit pcusa.org/pda/ukraine. To learn more about One Great Hour of Sharing and the vital ministries it supports, visit pcusa.org/oghs. In this season of Lent, pray for our siblings in Ukraine. Pray for peace. And pray that all of us will remember that we are the Church, together. The OGHS offering will be collected on Sunday, April 17th.

Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt: On Palm Sunday, April 10th, is our 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 in the past, 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!

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 next **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.

Please consider the following daily scripture readings this week: Monday: Joshua 16-18; Psalms 57; Tuesday: Joshua 19-31; Psalms 58; Wednesday: Joshua 22-24; Psalms 59; Thursday: Matthew 1-4; Psalms 60; Friday: Matthew 5-7; Psalms 61; Saturday: Matthew 8-10; Psalms 62; Sunday: Matthew 11-13; Psalms 63.

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.

Sermon Passages: April 3rd: 2 Corinthians 5:16-21.

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.

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:**



JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Diane Mayhew, Chloe Ruffner, Laura Van Vuuren, Donna Burns, Jane Ishman, Spencer Howard, Ken Reim, John Burns, Liz Kursey.

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: \$2,376; Special Offerings: Loose—\$40; Sunday School—\$60; Fellowship Hall Roof—\$550.

Last Sunday Worship: In-person—43; Nursery—1; Virtual Views—102

Ushers for March: Anne Portrey, Tommy Morgan

Ushers for April: Judy Edwards, Debra Low

CTPC Upcoming Events:

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 Egg 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 27	Thursday, March 31
9:00am Education Hour (all ages)	8:30-9:30am WW Workshop
10:30am Worship Celebration	10-11:00 WW Workshop
3-5:00pm Kid's Group	5:30-6:30pm WW Workshop
Monday, March 28	Saturday, April 2
5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)	10:00am Tools for Growing Faith study
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting	5:30 pm Friendship Ministry Meal
Tuesday, March 29	8:00pm A.A. Meeting
7:00pm Session Meeting	Sunday, April 3
Wednesday, March 30	9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
13:30pm Legato Ringers	10:30am Worship Celebration
6:30pm Geneva Ringers	3-5:00pm Kid's Group
7:00pm CAV Meeting	
7:30pm Glory Singers	
8:30pm A.A. Meeting	