

Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Prelude "The Risen Christ" arr. Carol Tornquist
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Call to Worship
Peace be with you.
How good and pleasant it is when we live together in unity.
Receive the Holy Spirit.
It is like precious oil on the head, the blessing of the Lord.

*Songs "Glory" LUYH No. 148

"In The Bulb There Is a Flower" LUYH No. 88

"Great and Mighty" LUYH No. 29

Prayer of Confession (in unison)
O God, your love is boundless and your grace exceeds our imaginations. You keep finding ways to be among us, even when the doors of our hearts are locked. Graciously, you seek us out. We cannot hide, but we can confess that sin has us in its grip. It has led us from your ways and corrupted our best intentions, tempting us to believe that you don't notice, that you aren't even present. Correct our vision. Cleanse our hearts. Create in us a place where we can welcome you and receive the fullness of what you have given 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
"Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" No. 240 (Refrain)
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!
Give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

Children's Moment Garth Stevens-Jennings

Special Music "Believe for It" Dawn Hill, Kyle Lee
(© 2021 from the Void, Fairtrade tunes) Ce Ce Winans, Mitch Wong

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.

*Hymn "Now the Green Blade Rises" No. 247

Scripture Romans 1:10-17 p. 1116

Message "Kingdom and Nation" Garth Stevens-Jennings

Musical Offering "The Power of the Cross"
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Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

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 humility, allowing us to hear God more clearly as we worship.

The congregation responds in song because God hears our prayer.

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

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

Please pass the offering plate to your neighbors in your pew.

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

“Believe for It” (today’s special music)

They say this mountain can't be moved
They say these chains will never break
But they don't know You like we do
There is power in Your name

We've heard that there is no way through
We've heard the tide will never change
They haven't seen what You can do
There is power in Your name
So much power in Your name

Move the unmovable
Break the unbreakable
God we believe
God we believe for it

From the impossible
We'll see a miracle
God we believe
God we believe for it

We know that hope is never lost (oh)
For there is still an empty grave
God we believe no matter what
There is power in Your name
So much power in Your name

Move the unmovable
Break the unbreakable
God we believe
God we believe for it

From the impossible
We'll see a miracle
God we believe
God we believe for it (hey)

You are the way
When there seems to be no way
We trust in You
God You have the final say, yeah

You are the way
When there seems to be no way (yes You are)
We trust in You
God You have the final say
(You are the final say)

Move the unmovable
Break the unbreakable
God we believe
God we believe for it

From the impossible
We'll see a miracle
God we believe
God we believe for it

God we believe for it

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Today’s Scripture Readings

Romans 1:10-17

¹⁰ asking that by God’s will I may somehow at last succeed in coming to you. ¹¹ For I am longing to see you so that I may share with you some spiritual gift to strengthen you— ¹² or rather so that we may be mutually encouraged by each other’s faith, both yours and mine. ¹³ I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that I have often intended to come to you (but thus far have been prevented), in order that I may reap some harvest among you as I have among the rest of the Gentiles. ¹⁴ I am a debtor both to Greeks and to barbarians, both to the wise and to the foolish ¹⁵—hence my eagerness to proclaim the gospel to you also who are in Rome. ¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, “The one who is righteous will live by faith.”

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.

This morning we welcome Garth Stevens-Jennings to the pulpit.

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

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.

Sermon Passages: May 1st: Revelation 5:1-14; May 8th: John 10:22-30; May 15th: Psalm 148; May 22nd: Acts 16:9-15; May 29th: 2 Kings 2:1-15.

Please consider the following daily scripture readings this week: Monday: 1 Samuel 1-3; Proverbs 24:23-34; Tuesday: 1 Samuel 4-6; Proverbs 25:1-14; Wednesday: 1 Samuel 7-9; Proverbs 25:15-28; Thursday: 1 Samuel 10-12; Proverbs 26:1-16; Friday: 1 Samuel 13-15; Proverbs 26:17-28; Saturday: 1 Samuel 16-19; Proverbs 27:1-14; Sunday: 1 Samuel 20-22; Proverbs 27:15-27.

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:**



JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Judy Edwards, John Mayhew, Keating Amos, Dennis Dibbern, Marty Hunt.

Anniversaries this week: John & Bethany Hollida.

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: \$4,585; Special Offerings: Loose—\$271; Sunday School—\$45; Fellowship Hall Roof—\$100; Lilies—\$30; OGHS/Ukraine—\$1,245; Memorial—235.

Last Sunday Worship: In-person—113; Virtual Views—153

Ushers for April: Judy Edwards, Debra Low

Ushers for May: TBD

CTPC Upcoming Events:

May 21st: Aglow event 9:00am
World Vision's "Global 6K for Water" 9:00am
May 30th: OFFICE CLOSED

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, April 24

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

Monday, April 25

5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)
7:00pm Worship & Music
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Tuesday, April 26

7:00pm DFM Team Meeting
7:00pm Property Team Meeting

Wednesday, April 27

12:30pm Legato Ringers
6:30pm Geneva Ringers
7:00pm CAV Meeting
7:30pm Glory Singers
8:30pm A.A. Meeting

Thursday, April 28

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

Saturday, April 30

8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, May 1

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