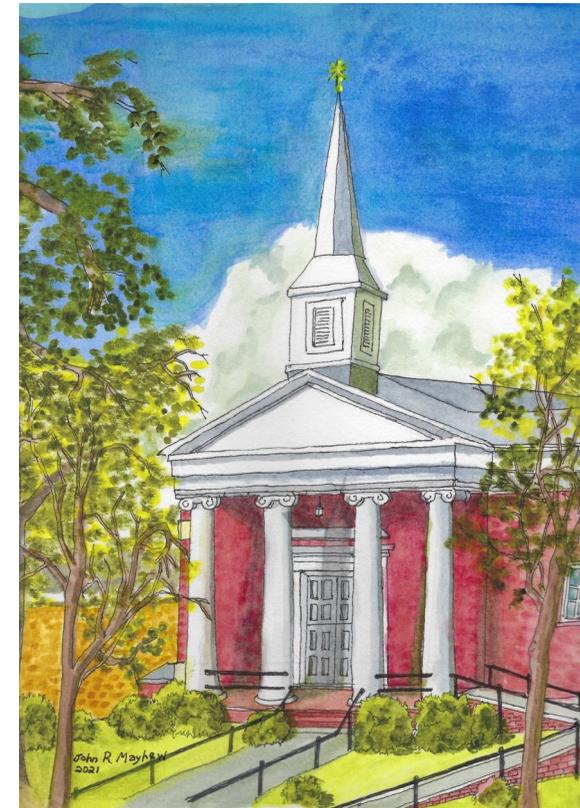


CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2022

10:30 AM



*Sung Response

“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow” No. 609

Praise God, from who all blessings flow.

Praise God, all creatures high and low. Alleluia, alleluia!

Praise God, in Jesus fully known:

Creator, Word, and Spirit one. Alleluia, alleluia!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Song *“Soon and Very Soon”* No. 384

*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.

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

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Class of 2024

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Hoyle Fulbright, Matthew Henshaw, Anne Portrey
Alex Bethard, Kaz Feldstein, Debra Low, Doug McDonough

Class of 2022
Class of 2023
Class of 2024

Trustees

Steve Bossung, Margaret Kursey
Allen Rogers, Susan Wall
Janet Harner

Class of 2022
Class of 2023
Class of 2024



Know. Grow. Serve.

Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Prelude

Call to Worship

Psalm 19:1-3, 14

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

**Day to day pours out speech,
and night to night reveals knowledge.**

There is no speech, nor are there words,
whose voice is not heard.

**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation
of my heart be acceptable in your sight,
O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.**

*Songs

“Come into His Presence”

LUYH No. 8

“Blessed Be the Lord God Almighty” LUYH No. 22

“City of God” LUYH No. 3

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Loving and Most Merciful God, once again tragic violence has shaken our world, reminding us how broken we are. We want it to stop, we want to cast blame, we want to point fingers. What we need is you. We have looked to everyone and everywhere but to you for answers. Forgive our waywardness, heal our souls, and helps us to repent and seek you.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon...

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

*Sung Response to Confession

“There Is a Redeemer” No. 443 (vs. 1)

There is a Redeemer, Jesus, God’s own Son;
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One.

Thank you, O my Father, for giving us your Son,
And leaving your Spirit till the work on earth is done.

Children’s Moment

Garth Stevens-Jennings

Special Music

“Days of Elijah”

Robin Mark

Glory Singers

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*Hymn

“Swing Low, Sweet Chariot”

No. 825

Scripture

2 Chronicles 7:11-22

p. 428

Message

“The Next Step”

Pastor John

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.

Musical Offering

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

The congregation responds in song because God hears our prayer.

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.

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!

“Days of Elijah” (today’s special music)

These are the days of Elijah
Declaring the word of the Lord
And these are the days of Your servant Moses
Righteousness being restored

And though these are days of great trial
Of famine and darkness and sword
Still, we are the voice in the desert crying
"Prepare ye the way of the Lord!"

Behold, He comes riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun at the trumpet call
Lift your voice, the year of jubilee
And out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

And these are the days of Ezekiel
The dry bones becoming as flesh
And these are the days of Your servant David
Rebuilding a temple of praise

Oh, these are the days of the harvest
For the fields are as white in Your world
And we are the labourers in Your vineyard
Declaring the word of the Lord!

Behold, He comes, riding on the clouds
Shining like the sun at the trumpet call
Lift your voice, the year of jubilee
And out of Zion's hill, salvation comes

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Notes:

Today’s Scripture Readings

2 Chronicles 7:11-22

¹¹ When Solomon had finished the temple of the LORD and the royal palace, and had succeeded in carrying out all he had in mind to do in the temple of the LORD and in his own palace, ¹² the LORD appeared to him at night and said:

“I have heard your prayer and have chosen this place for myself as a temple for sacrifices.

¹³ “When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, ¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. ¹⁵ Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. ¹⁶ I have chosen and consecrated this temple so that my Name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there.

¹⁷ “As for you, if you walk before me faithfully as David your father did, and do all I command, and observe my decrees and laws, ¹⁸ I will establish your royal throne, as I covenanted with David your father when I said, ‘You shall never fail to have a successor to rule over Israel.’

¹⁹ “But if you turn away and forsake the decrees and commands I have given you and go off to serve other gods and worship them, ²⁰ then I will uproot Israel from my land, which I have given them, and will reject this temple I have consecrated for my Name. I will make it a byword and an object of ridicule among all peoples. ²¹ This temple will become a heap of rubble. All ^[c] who pass by will be appalled and say, ‘Why has the LORD done such a thing to this land and to this temple?’ ²² People will answer, ‘Because they have forsaken the LORD, the God of their ancestors, who brought them out of Egypt, and have embraced other gods, worshiping and serving them—that is why he brought all this disaster on them.’”

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.

Today is 5th Sunday, the loose offering goes to the Pastor's Help Fund.

The church office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, May 30th, in observance of Memorial Day.

Pentecost Offering. Giving to the Pentecost Offering next Sunday, June 5th, is investing in our greatest resource, our youth and our children. The Pentecost Offering makes it possible for the church to encourage, develop, and support its young people and address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of this offering stays in our local community and will be designated for Jefferson County Community Ministries. The other 60% will help support: young adult volunteer programs, ministries for youth, and child advocacy.

Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner. Get your tickets now from any Yokefellow and plan to join us on Saturday, June 11th, 4:30-7:00 pm, for fresh pork BBQ, slaw, mac & cheese, baked bean, desserts, and drinks provided. Tickets: \$15.00 adults; \$7.00 children under 12 years; Free children under 3 years. Proceeds from the dinner will be used to offset repairs to the fellowship hall roof.

Calling all graduates: We will be recognizing our graduates during the worship service on June 12th.

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, June 12th, following worship to hear a report from the congregational nominating committee. The committee is making the following nominations: CNC class of 2023: Henry Christie, Allen Peacher, Bob Tansill; Elder class of 2025: Doyle Criswell, Marsha Dibbern, Lazan Rogers; Deacon class of 2023: Tommy Morgan; class of 2025: Judy Edwards, Sue Flanagan, Debbie Henshaw, Brooks Kursey; Trustee class of 2025: Steve Bossung, Thane Van Zomeren.

Sermon Passages: June 5th: Ecclesiastes 1:1-11; June 12th: Ecclesiastes 1:12-18; June 19th: Ecclesiastes 2:1-11; June 26th: Ecclesiastes 2:12-17; July 3rd: Ecclesiastes 2:18-26; July 10th: Ecclesiastes 3:1-15.

Please consider the following daily scripture readings this week: Monday: Luke 1-3; Psalms 92; Tuesday: Luke 4-6; Psalms 93; Wednesday: Luke 7-9; Psalms 94; Thursday: 1 Corinthians 12-14; Psalms 100; Friday: 1 Corinthians 15-16; Psalms 101; Saturday: 2 Chronicles 1-4; Psalms 102; Sunday: 2 Chronicles 5-7; Psalms 103.

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:



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.

JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Seth Van Zomeren, Hannah Rossi, Mona Thompson.

Anniversaries this week: Michael & Heather Duncan; Chris & Penny Liston.

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, May 8th Receipts: \$4,600; Special Offerings: Sunday School—\$86; Fellowship Hall Roof—\$200; Facility Use—\$150; Hunger—\$50.
Sunday, May 15th Receipts: \$2,138; Special Offerings: Loose—\$112; Sunday School—\$46; Fellowship Committee—\$100; Memorial—\$25.
Sunday's Receipts: \$2,372; Special Offerings: Hunger—\$131; Sunday School—\$46; Fellowship Hall Roof—\$5,000; Memorial—\$160.

May 8th—Sunday Worship: In-person—61; Nursery—1; Virtual Views—58

May 15th—Sunday Worship: In-person—52; Nursery—3; Virtual Views—28

Last Sunday Worship: In-person—51; Nursery—3; Virtual Views—73

Ushers for May: Kaz Feldstein, Jason Mullens

Ushers for June: Brooks Kursey, Anne Portrey

CTPC Upcoming Events:

May 30th: OFFICE CLOSED

June 4th: Memorial Service and reception for Susan Back 11:00am

June 11th: Yokefellows BBQ dinner 4:30-7:00pm

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, May 29

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

Monday, May 30

OFFICE CLOSED

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

Wednesday, June 1

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

Thursday, June 2

9:00am WW Workshop
5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal

Saturday, June 4

8:30am WW Workshop
11:00am Memorial Service Susan Back
5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, June 5

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