

CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, JULY 17, 2022
10:30 AM

*Sung Response

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" No. 607
Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Christ, all people here below;
Praise Holy Spirit evermore;
Praise Triune God, whom we adore. Amen.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Hymn *"Standing on the Promises"* No. 838

*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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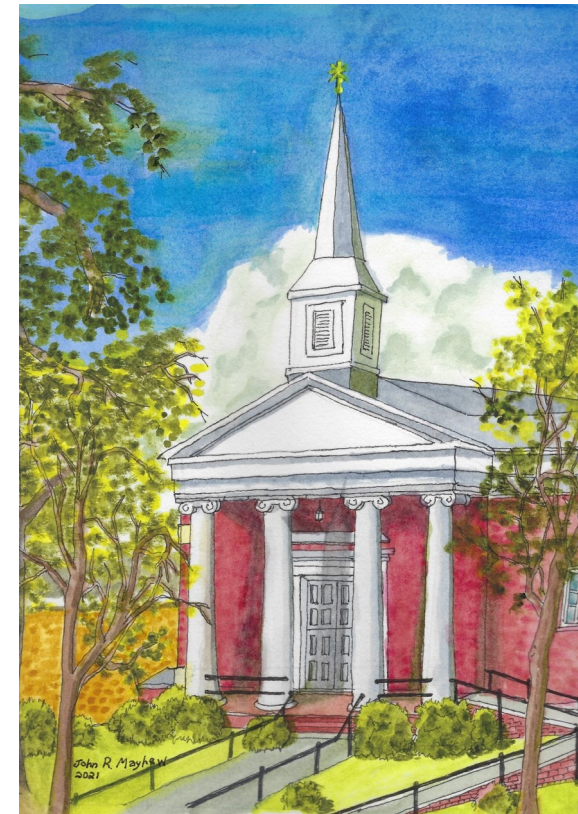
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Know. Grow. Serve.

Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Prelude "Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven" Lani Smith
(© MCMLXXV Lorenz Publishing Co.) Tune: "Lauda Anima" by John Goss
Rose Ann Glover

Call to Worship Psalm 25:6-9

Remember your mercy, O Lord, and your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

**Remember not the sins of my youth or my
transgressions; according to your steadfast love
remember me, for the sake of your goodness,
O Lord.**

Good and upright is the Lord;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.
**He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.**

*Songs "We Bow Down" LUYH No. 57
"Love the Lord Your God" LUYH No. 96
"God Is So Good" LUYH No. 24

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Merciful Savior, you stand beside us, yet we prefer to stand
on our own. You choose us, yet we choose worry. You attend
to us, yet we attend to our own interests. Forgive us, gentle
Teacher. Call us by name and visit us once more that we
might find at your feet our joy, our purpose, and our hope.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon...

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

*Sung Response to Confession

"Glory Be to the Father" No. 581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen, amen.

Children's Moment

Garth Stevens-Jennings

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 "I Stand in Awe" (see insert)

Scripture Ecclesiastes 5:1-20 p. 659

Message "Zip It" Pastor John

Musical Offering "Andante" Beethoven
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Rose Ann Glover

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

*The congrega-
tion 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!*

*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.*

Today's Scripture Readings
Ecclesiastes 5:1-20

5 Guard your steps when you go to the house of God. To draw near to listen is better than to offer the sacrifice of fools, for they do not know that they are doing evil. ² Be not rash with your mouth, nor let your heart be hasty to utter a word before God, for God is in heaven and you are on earth. Therefore let your words be few. ³ For a dream comes with much business, and a fool's voice with many words.

⁴ When you vow a vow to God, do not delay paying it, for he has no pleasure in fools. Pay what you vow. ⁵ It is better that you should not vow than that you should vow and not pay. ⁶ Let not your mouth lead you into sin, and do not say before the messenger that it was a mistake. Why should God be angry at your voice and destroy the work of your hands? ⁷ For when dreams increase and words grow many, there is vanity; but God is the one you must fear.

⁸ If you see in a province the oppression of the poor and the violation of justice and righteousness, do not be amazed at the matter, for the high official is watched by a higher, and there are yet higher ones over them. ⁹ But this is gain for a land in every way: a king committed to cultivated fields.

¹⁰ He who loves money will not be satisfied with money, nor he who loves wealth with his income; this also is vanity. ¹¹ When goods increase, they increase who eat them, and what advantage has their owner but to see them with his eyes? ¹² Sweet is the sleep of a laborer, whether he eats little or much, but the full stomach of the rich will not let him sleep.

¹³ There is a grievous evil that I have seen under the sun: riches were kept by their owner to his hurt, ¹⁴ and those riches were lost in a bad venture. And he is father of a son, but he has nothing in his hand. ¹⁵ As he came from his mother's womb he shall go again, naked as he came, and shall take nothing for his toil that he may carry away in his hand. ¹⁶ This also is a grievous evil: just as he came, so shall he go, and what gain is there to him who toils for the wind? ¹⁷ Moreover, all his days he eats in darkness in much vexation and sickness and anger.

¹⁸ Behold, what I have seen to be good and fitting is to eat and drink and find enjoyment in all the toil with which one toils under the sun the few days of his life that God has given him, for this is his lot. ¹⁹ Everyone also to whom God has given wealth and possessions and power to enjoy them, and to accept his lot and rejoice in his toil—this is the gift of God. ²⁰ For he will not much remember the days of his life because God keeps him occupied with joy in his heart.

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 next Sunday, July 24th, to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

Vacation Bible School! Monday, July 18th -- Friday, July 22nd, 9-Noon. The theme for our Bible School this year is the Knights of North castle. Come join us for a week of learning, fun, knights, and dragons! Any questions contact Garth Stevens-Jennings at garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org.

Meals on Wheels—Volunteers Needed! MOW is in urgent need of drivers. Please call 304-725-1061 if you are interested in being a volunteer driver. You can do as little as one day a month.

Help needed: Long-time church member James Ahalt is looking for a place to live, either an apartment or a room. If you know of a place, please contact James at 304-240-9293. Thank you.

Sermon Passages: July 24th: Ecclesiastes 6:1-12; July 31st: TBD; August 7th: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20; August 14th: TBD; August 21st: Ecclesiastes 7:1-13, 25-29; August 28th: Ecclesiastes 8 (select verses).

Please consider the following daily scripture readings this week: Monday: 1 Corinthians 1-2; Psalms 96; Tuesday: 1 Corinthians 3-5; Psalms 97; Wednesday: 1 Corinthians 6-8; Psalms 98; Thursday: 1 Corinthians 9-11; Psalms 99; Friday: 1 Timothy 1-3; Psalm 119:49-64; Saturday: 1 Timothy 4-6; Psalms 119:65-80; Sunday: Esther 1-3; Psalms 119:81-96.

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: Alyse Low, Harry Puster, Robert Puster, Jonathan Burns.

Anniversaries this week: John & Diane Mayhew.

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: \$1,933; Special Offerings: Loose—\$60; Sunday School—\$26; Scrubbies—\$4

Ushers for July: Tommy Morgan, Debra Low

CTPC Upcoming Events:

July 18th-July 22nd: Vacation Bible School, 9:00-Noon

August 14th: Stewardship Sunday

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 17

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration

Thursday, July 21

9:00am-Noon Vacation Bible School
9:00am WW Workshop

Monday, July 18

5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)
9:00am-Noon Vacation Bible School
7:00pm Technology and Communication
7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Friday, July 22

9:00am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Saturday, July 23

8:30am WW Workshop
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Tuesday, July 19

9:00am-Noon Vacation Bible School

Sunday, July 24

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

Wednesday, July 20

9:00am-Noon Vacation Bible School
7:00pm CAV Meeting
8:00pm A.A. Meeting