*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 "What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine" No. 837

*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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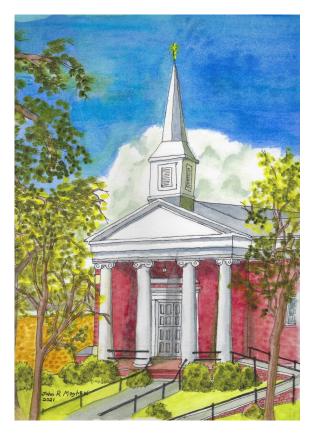
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CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, July 24, 2022 10:30 AM





Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Prelude *"His Eye Is On the Sparrow"* Charles H. Gabriel (© 2021 Hope Publishing) arr. Joel Raney

Call to Worship

Psalm 27:1-4

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life;

of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though war arise against me, yet I will be confident.

One thing have I asked of the Lord, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to inquire in his temple.

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

spirit.

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"We Are Singing" LUYH No. 56

"Surely It Is God" LUYH No. 81

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Gracious God, we humbly confess that we have fallen short of who you call us to be. We seek peace and comfort in our lives, ignoring the needs of those around us. We live our lives in ways that bring chaos and calamity to our neighbors. Cleanse us from sin and show us your steadfast love, so that in turning to you, we may seek unity and peace for all of creation.

Silent Confession

*Songs

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.

Ministry Moment Vacation Bible School Marsha Dibbern

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 "Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service" (see insert)

Scripture Ecclesiastes 6:1-12 p. 659

Message "More Pain" Pastor John

Musical Offering "Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

(© 2021 Hope Publishing Co.) arr. Joel Raney/Anthony J. Showalter

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

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!

Confessing our sins brings us to a place of humility, allowing us to hear God more clearly as

we worship.

Today's Scripture Readings Ecclesiastes 6:1-12

6 There is an evil that I have seen under the sun, and it lies heavy on mankind: ²a man to whom God gives wealth, possessions, and honor, so that he lacks nothing of all that he desires, yet God does not give him power to enjoy them, but a stranger enjoys them. This is vanity; it is a grievous evil. ³ If a man fathers a hundred children and lives many years, so that the days of his years are many, but his soul is not satisfied with life's good things, and he also has no burial, I say that a stillborn child is better off than he. ⁴ For it comes in vanity and goes in darkness, and in darkness its name is covered. ⁵ Moreover, it has not seen the sun or known anything, yet it finds rest rather than he. ⁶ Even though he should live a thousand years twice over, yet enjoy no good—do not all go to the one place?

⁷ All the toil of man is for his mouth, yet his appetite is not satisfied. ⁸ For what advantage has the wise man over the fool? And what does the poor man have who knows how to conduct himself before the living? ⁹ Better is the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the appetite: this also is vanity and a striving after wind.

¹⁰ Whatever has come to be has already been named, and it is known what man is, and that he is not able to dispute with one stronger than he. ¹¹ The more words, the more vanity, and what is the advantage to man? ¹² For who knows what is good for man while he lives the few days of his vain life, which he passes like a shadow? For who can tell man what will be after him under the sun?

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.

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

Next Sunday, July 31st, is 5th Sunday, the loose offering collected today will go to the Pastor's Help Fund.

<u>Meals on Wheels—Volunteers Needed!</u> 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 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: Esther 4-7; Psalms 119:97-112; Tuesday: Esther 8-10; Psalms 119:113-128; Wednesday: 2 Timothy 1-4; Psalms 119:129-144; Thursday: Job 1-3; Psalms 119:145-160; Friday: Job 4-6; Psalm 119:161-176; Saturday: Job 7-9; Psalms 120; Sunday: Job 10-12; Psalms 121.

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

<u>Birthdays this week:</u> Patsy White, Judy Hockman, Rosalyn LaVallee, Bryan LaVallee, Gary Scott, Doyle Criswell, Chris Damm, Katherine Hunt, Debbie Stafford, Michael Stevens.

<u>Prayer Concerns</u>: 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.

Ushers for July: Tommy Morgan, Debra Low

Ushers for August: Alex Bethard, Matthew Henshaw

CTPC Upcoming Events:

August 14th: Stewardship Sunday

September 5th: OFFICE CLOSED—Labor Day

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, July 24

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

3-5:00pm Kid's Group

Monday, July 25

5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)

7:30 pm A.A. Meeting

Tuesday, July 26

7:00pm DFM Team Meeting

Wednesday, July 27

7:00pm CAV Meeting 8:00pm A.A. Meeting Thursday, July 28

9:00am WW Workshop

5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal

Saturday, July 30

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

Sunday, July 31

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

3-5:00pm Kid's Group