

# CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2023  
10:30 AM

\*Sung Response “Lord of All Good” No. 711 (vs 1)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Song “A Mighty Fortress Is Our God” No. 275

\*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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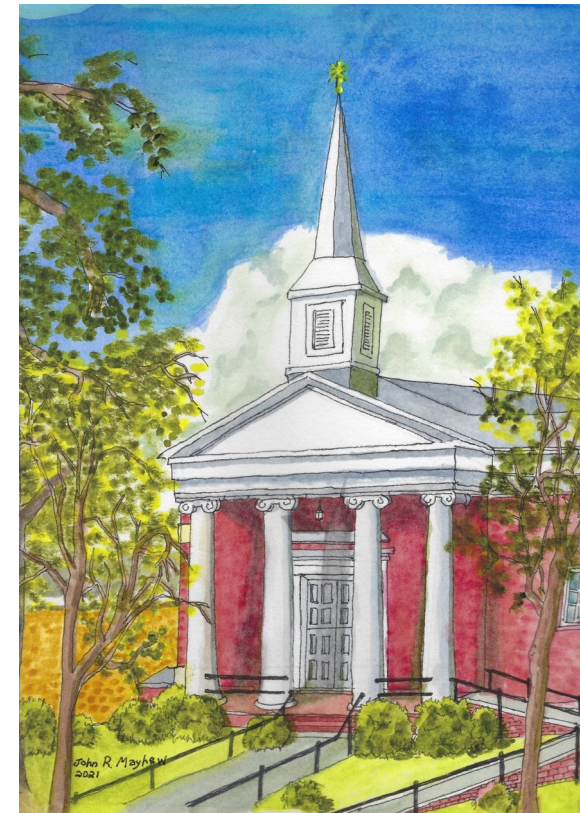
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Welcome and Announcements

Prelude                    **“Praise Medley”**                    arr. Marilyn Ham  
                                  (© 1985 Lillenas Publishing Co.)  
                                  Rose Ann Glover

Call to Worship    Psalm 100:1-5  
                                  Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Serve the Lord  
                                  with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!  
                                  **Know that the Lord, he is God!**  
                                  **It is he who made us, and we are his;**  
                                  **we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**  
                                  Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!  
                                  Give thanks to him; bless his name!  
                                  **For the Lord is good; his steadfast love endures**  
                                  **forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.**

\*Songs                    **“Come into His Presence”**                    LUYH No. 8  
                                  **“Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart”**                    LUYH No. 114  
                                  **“God, We Honor You”**                    No. 709

Prayer of Confession (unison)  
                                  God of justice and truth, you ask us to give to you the things  
                                  that are yours. If we are honest, we know we hold so much  
                                  back. We have promised you our obedience, but we often  
                                  fulfill our own desires first. We have promised you our  
                                  worship, but we give our attention to idols instead. We have  
                                  promised to do your work in the world, but we put it last on  
                                  the list of priorities. Have mercy on us and forgive us.  
                                  Increase our generosity that we might give freely, grateful for  
                                  all of the gifts you have given us.

Silent Confession  
Assurance of Pardon...

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

\*Sung Response to Confession                    **“We Are Forgiven”**                    No. 447

Children’s Moment    Garth Stevens-Jennings

Special Music                    **“Festive Toccata on Old Hundreth”**  
                                  (© 2016 Choristers Guild)                    arr. Cathy Mokleburst  
                                  Geneva Ringers

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

\*Song                    **“O Word of God Incarnate”**                    No. 459

Scriptures                    Acts 12:20-25                    p. 1094

Message                    **“How to ACT Like Jesus—God’s Got This”**  
                                  Pastor John

\*Sung Response to Message  
                                  **“That We May Act Like Jesus”**                    (see screen)

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Musical Offering                    **“A Mighty Fortress Is Our God”**  
                                  (© 2020 Pam Turner)                    arr. Pam Turner

*Please use this time to quietly prepare for worship.*

*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 connects us to God and to one another.*

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

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

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

## Session News

The session met for its October stated meeting on Tuesday, October 17, and took the following actions:

- Received as presented, the minutes from the August stated meeting and the September stated meeting.
- Received as presented, the report from the treasurer
- Received as presented, the 2024 proposed ministry income and expense plan for 2024. The 2024 fiscal plan includes a 4% salary increase for employees.
- Approved the 2024 terms of call for the pastor and called for a congregational meeting on Sunday, November 5, following worship. Copies of the terms of call are available in the church narthex.
- Heard a verbal report from the Discipleship and Family Ministry Committee. The DFM has several events and projects in the works, including Trunk or Treat (10/29) and the annual advent festival.
- Heard an update on the upcoming capital campaign. The Stewardship and Vision committee has recruited co-chairs and plans to have a workshop on Sunday, November 19, during the SS hour for adults. This will be an opportunity to hear and give input on the scope of the capital campaign. The workshop will be held in the fellowship hall.
- Kathy Shue was appointed elder commissioner by acclamation for the November meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery.
- Elders were invited to sign up for assisting with homebound communion on November 5.

## The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

### Sunday, October 22

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)  
10:30am Worship Celebration  
11:30am Children's Choir  
3-5:00pm Kid's Group

### Monday, October 23

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

### Tuesday, October 24

1:00pm Silver Bells  
7:00pm DFM Meeting

### Wednesday, October 25

12:00pm Zoom Bible Study  
6:30pm Geneva Ringers  
7:00pm CAV Meeting  
7:15pm Choir  
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

### Thursday, October 26

2:30pm FCHC  
5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal

### Friday, October 27

7:30am A.A. Meeting

### Saturday, October 28

4:30-7:00pm Yokefellows BBQ Dinner  
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

### Sunday, October 29

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)  
10:30am Worship Celebration  
11:30am Children's Choir  
3-5:00pm Trunk or Treat

## Today's Scripture Reading

### Acts 12:20-25

Now Herod was angry with the people of Tyre and Sidon, and they came to him with one accord, and having persuaded Blastus, the king's chamberlain, they asked for peace, because their country depended on the king's country for food. <sup>21</sup>On an appointed day Herod put on his royal robes, took his seat upon the throne, and delivered an oration to them. <sup>22</sup>And the people were shouting, "The voice of a god, and not of a man!" <sup>23</sup>Immediately an angel of the Lord struck him down, because he did not give God the glory, and he was eaten by worms and breathed his last.

<sup>24</sup>But the word of God increased and multiplied.

<sup>25</sup>And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem when they had completed their service, bringing with them John, whose other name was Mark.

## 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.

**Our Christian sympathy** is extended to the family of Jimmy Burns who died this past Sunday. May God bless those who grieve.

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

**Next Sunday, October 29th, is 5th Sunday**, the loose offering collected will go to the JCCM.

**Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner.** Get your tickets now from any Yokefellow and plan to join us this Saturday, October 28th, 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 go to church ministries.

**Missionary Visit.** Mick and Cathy Sander, missionaries to Eswatini, will be visiting us next Sunday, October 29. They will give a presentation in the fellowship hall during the Christian Education hour, and participate in worship. We encourage everyone to attend. We have support the Sanders and their work in Eswatini for several years.

**The session** has called for a congregational meeting on Sunday, November 5th, immediately following worship for the purpose of acting on the 2024 terms of call for the pastor. Copies of the terms of call are available in the narthex.

**CTPC trunk-or-treat!** The event will take place next Sunday, October 29th, from 3pm to 5pm. Please contact [garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org](mailto:garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org) if you would like to display a trunk, and we look forward to seeing your spooky (but not too spooky) costumes there!

**Worship Help Needed.** We need help running the technology used in worship each week. We are seeking two or three people to help run the PowerPoint slides and the camera for our live broadcast. These are fairly simple tasks, and we provide training. Please speak with Pastor John or Roger Snook if you can help.

**Mission and Outreach.** Our Mission and Outreach Committee is involved in several projects, but we need assistance. Will you help with one of the following? Assisting with at least one Friendship Meal, which is served the first Saturday of each month; Writing letters or sending cards to our missionaries, shut-ins, and others in our church family; Leading or Assisting with our "Sock-It-To-Me" campaign to collect socks for the Jefferson County Community Ministries during November; Helping as our church serves food and drink to those attending the Charles Town Christmas Parade. Please contact Doyle Criswell at 502.718.6411 or [doyle.criswell@att.net](mailto:doyle.criswell@att.net)

**Online giving** helps you to bring your offering before God in a simple, and secure way. You can choose from The Presbyterian Foundation, Facebook, or PayPal, each of which have a nominal fee that you can include as part of your gift. The Presbyterian Foundation fee does help the organization's mission, and you can easily use a mobile app (Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement on Google Play/Apple AppStore) to set up for repeating or one time giving. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Donation options and tax information at [www.ctpres.org](http://www.ctpres.org) (<http://www.ctpres.org>).

**The flower chart for 2023** 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.

**Life Line Screening**, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Charles Town Presbyterian Church on Wednesday, November 1, 2023. A package of four screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered: **Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque), Peripheral, Arterial Disease Screening, and Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)**. These 4 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-844-591-7160, text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or online at <https://llsa.social/HC>

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Birthdays this week:** Saige Bethard, Mary Day, Dan Hart, Lari MacKenzie, Vicki Burns, Madison Henshaw, Roxanne Noland.

**Anniversaries this week:** Hoyle & Cheryl Fulbright.

**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.**

**Last Sunday Worship:** In-person -61; Nursery-2; Virtual Views-N/A

**Weekly Congregational Giving** Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934.  
General Offering: \$2,215; Designated Offerings: Sunday School-\$75; Loose-\$47; Capital Campaign 2023-\$200.

**Ushers for October:** Debbie Henshaw (head), Sue Flanagan (counter)

**Ushers for November:** Doug McDonough (head), Anne Portrey (counter)

## CTPC Upcoming Events:

October 28th:	Yokefellows BBQ Dinner 4:30-7:00pm
October 29th:	Trunk or Treat 3-5:00pm
November 1st:	Life Line Screening 8-5:00pm
November 5th:	Congregational Meeting following worship
November 22nd:	Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00pm
November 23rd:	Happy Thanksgiving—OFFICE CLOSED
November 24th:	OFFICE CLOSED
December 3rd:	Advent Celebration following worship
December 10th:	Christmas Joy Service 3:00pm
December 21st:	Longest Night Service 7:00pm
December 24th:	Christmas Eve Service 5:00pm
December 25th:	Merry Christmas! - OFFICE CLOSED
December 26th:	OFFICE CLOSED
January 1st:	Happy New Year! No Sunday School Worship at 10:30am
January 2nd:	OFFICE CLOSED

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