\*Sung Response

"We Give Thee but Thine Own" No. 708 (vs 1)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

\*Hymn

"Taste and See"

No. 520 (refrain)

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

Invitation

**Prayer of Consecration** 

The Lord be with you;

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise...

Distribution of the Elements

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

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"Now Thank We All Our God"

No. 643

\*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.

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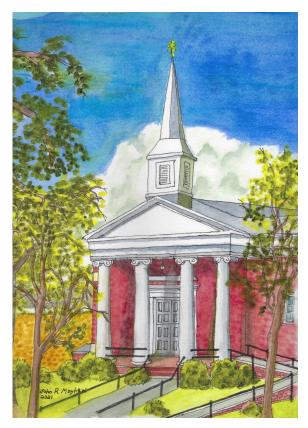
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# CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, November 5, 2023 10:30 AM





## Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Please use this time to quietly prepare for worship.

Songs listed with

found in the light

blue songbook.

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in the purple hymnal. Songs

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"LUYH" are

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Now Thank We All Our God"

Karg-Elert arr. D. Wells

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Call to Worship

\*Hymn

Psalm 103:8-11

The Lord is merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

He will not always chide, nor will he keep his anger forever.

He does not deal with us according to our sins, nor repay us according to our iniquities.

For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him.

When this symbol (\*) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

Confessing our

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to hear God

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"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

No. 39

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Christ who kneels to wash our feet, Despite your clear example, we cannot shake our usual ways of life. We admit: we are tempted by honor and status. We admit: we like to seem holier than we are. We admit: we like to be respected more than others. We admit: we would rather be "great" than be a servant. But you who are the greatest became the servant of all. Help us to imitate you. Humble us that we might be not just the image of your disciple, but that we actually embody your teachings.

Assurance of Pardon...

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel,

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

\*Sung Response to Confession "Blessed Assurance, Jesus Is Mine!" No. 839 (vs 1) Children's Moment **Garth Stevens-Jennings** Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer "Give Thanks for Life" \*Hymn (see screen) Scripture Acts 13:13-15, 42-48 p. 1095 "How to ACT Like Jesus—Reception and Rejection" Message Pastor John \*Sung Response to Message "That We May Act Like Jesus" (see screen) \*Profession of Faith "Apostles' Creed" (see screen)

"We Thank Thee, Lord"

Rose Ann Glover

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

**Musical Offering** 

given us!

The musical
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us time to reflect
on all that God
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**Robert Hughes** 

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### **Notes:**

# The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

#### Sunday, November 5

Education Hour (all ages) 9:00am **Worship Celebration** 10:30am Congregational Meeting 11:30am Children's Choir 11:30am

3:00pm Kids Group

#### Monday, November 6

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

7:30am A.A. Meeting Prayer Group 5:00pm A.A. Meeting 7:30pm

#### Tuesday, November 7

1:00pm Silver Bells

6:30pm A.A. District Meeting Mission & Outreach 7:00pm

#### Wednesday, November 8

8:00pm

**CAV Meeting** Choir 7:15pm A.A. Meeting

6:30pm Geneva Ringers 7:00pm

Thursday, November 9

2:30pm FCHC

Friday, November 10

7:30am A.A. Meeting

Saturday, November 11

5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal

8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, November 12

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

# **Today's Scripture Reading** Acts 13:13-15, 42-48

<sup>13</sup> Now Paul and his companions set sail from Paphos and came to Perga in Pamphylia. And John left them and returned to Jerusalem, 14 but they went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the Sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. 15 After the reading from the Law and the Prophets, the rulers of the synagogue sent a message to them, saying, "Brothers, if you have any word of encouragement for the people, say it."

<sup>42</sup> As they went out, the people begged that these things might be told them the next Sabbath. 43 And after the meeting of the synagogue broke up, many Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who, as they spoke with them, urged them to continue in the grace of God.

44 The next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. 45 But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and began to contradict what was spoken by Paul, reviling him. 46 And Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saving, "It was necessary that the word of God be spoken first to you. Since you thrust it aside and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles. 47 For so the Lord has commanded us, saving,

"I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth."48 And when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed.

#### **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.

**The session** has called for a congregational meeting today 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.

All are Invited to Combined Adult Sunday School on Sunday, November 19th. The upcoming capital campaign is moving along. We are excited that Roger Snook and Christian Pechoukonis have agreed to serve as campaign co-chairs. This campaign will not only seek to replace the monies used from our investments to replace the sanctuary roof, but it also seeks to fund some projects that have been deferred since before the pandemic began. To that end, the capital campaign is seeking congregational input. We will meet in the fellowship hall and engage in some creative ways to get feedback from all who are present. Even if you do not attend Sunday School regularly, we encourage you to attend. This event will serve as an important way to get congregational feedback on the direction of the campaign. And if you are interested in serving on the campaign team, please come to the event on the 19<sup>th</sup> and learn more about where this campaign may be headed.

**Thanksgiving Eve Service**. Please plan to join us for our Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service on Wednesday evening, November 22nd, at 7:00pm.

Children's Thanksgiving Offering. This Thanksgiving we ask you to remember children and families experiencing pain, hunger, hopelessness, separation from loves ones. The Apostle Paul teaches us that part of living together in community is reaching out to our brothers and sisters when they face hardships, temptation, or sorrow. Four ministries started by leaders in the Presbyterian Church serve our communities and address the needs of thousands of children each year. By participating in the Thanksgiving Offering Program, our congregation will sustain the valuable services provided by: Edmarc Hospice for Children; Presbyterian Children's Home of the Highlands; Presbyterian Home & Family Services and the Family Alliance. The Thanksgiving Offering will be collected on Sunday, November 19th, and Wednesday, November 22nd. Note memo line "Thanksgiving offering". As always, that your for your generosity.

The church office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday, November 23rd, and Friday, November 24th. Have a safe holiday.

<u>An Advent Celebration</u> for all ages will be held after worship on the first Sunday of Advent, December 3rd. A light lunch will be served. There will be carols sung, an ornament exchange for those who would like to participate, games and crafts, and the trimming of the Chrismon tree in the fellowship hall. **Adults, who are able, are asked to help decorate the sanctuary.** 

Memorial poinsettias will be placed in our sanctuary this Advent and Christmas season. Call or email the church office by Wednesday, December 6th, to sign up (304-725-5316 or <a href="mailto:ctpres@ctpres.org">ctpres@ctpres.org</a>). Cost is \$10.00, single stemmed. If you purchase a poinsettia, please remove it from the sanctuary after the 5:00 p.m. service on the 24th. Thank you.

<u>Christmas Joy Service</u> will be on Sunday, December 10, at 3pm. Our music ministry will present A Journey to Joy, featuring our vocal and handbell choirs. Please plan to join us.

<u>Christmas Joy Offering</u>, will be collected on Sunday, December 10th. Because of your generous gifts the Presbyterian Mission Agency is able to help provide brighter educational opportunities for students at historically Presbyterian racial ethnic schools and colleges, a longstanding tradition of the church. Gifts to the offering also supported the Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions, a fund that stands in the gap to assist retired church leaders and their survivors in difficult times. Together, they make the Christmas Joy Offering a tribute to the leaders of our church—past and present.

The Discipleship and Family Ministry Committee is seeking an additional attendant for our nursery. This is a paid position to be filled on Sunday mornings from 10:00AM-12:00 noon. We are looking for a Christian individual, 18 years or older, who loves and respects children and is able to provide for their care during the time that parents or caregivers are worshiping. Please contact the church office if you know of someone who would be a good fit for this position. ctpres@ctpres.org.

**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.

<u>Mission and Outreach.</u> 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

<u>Online giving</u> 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 <a href="https://www.ctpres.org">www.ctpres.org</a> (<a href="https://www.ctpres.org">http://www.ctpres.org</a>).

The flower chart for 2024 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.

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

<u>Birthdays this week:</u> Matthew Henshaw, Tracey Owens, Ruth Scott, Roberta Churchill, George Karos, Penny Liston, Quentein LaVallee, Cy Staniec.

<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.

Last Sunday Worship: In-person -70; Nursery-2; Virtual Views-92.

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934.

General Offering: \$2,880; Designated Offerings: Sunday School—\$51; Hunger—\$35; Help Fund—\$136.

<u>Ushers for November</u>: Doug McDonough (head), Anne Portrey (counter) <u>Ushers for December</u>: Matthew Henshaw (head), Brooks Kursey (counter)

#### **CTPC Upcoming Events:**

November 5th:
November 18th:
November 22nd:
November 23rd:
November 23rd:

Congregational Meeting following worship
Armstrong—fellowship hall noon-6pm
Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00pm
Happy Thanksgiving—OFFICE CLOSED

November 24th: OFFICE CLOSED

December 2nd: Charles Town Christmas Parade 2:00pm

December 3rd: Advent Celebration / Decorate Sanctuary 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 For electronic giving, please scan here:

