

When directed, please come to the front of the sanctuary. The servers will tear off a small piece of bread and serve you. Please dip it in the cup, partake, and return to your seat. If you are unable to come forward, raise your hand and an elder will bring the elements to you. Please indicate to your server if you would like to receive gluten free bread

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

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*Sung Response “We Lift Our Voices” No. 710

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

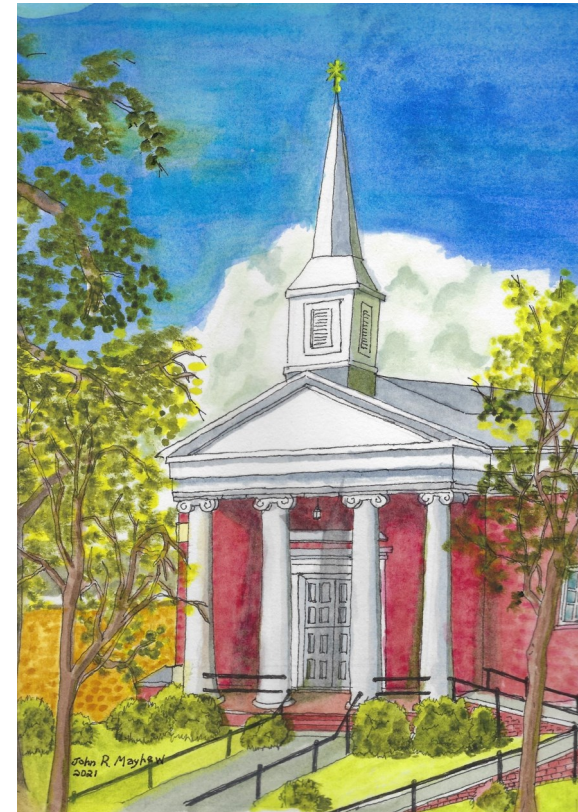
*Song “I, the Lord of Sea and Sky” No. 69

*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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The Session		
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CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 2024
 10:30 AM



Please be sure to silence your cell phones

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.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude *"Morning Praise"* arr. Sharon Wilson
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Call to Worship Psalm 148:1-5a
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord from the heavens;
praise him in the heights!
Praise him all his angels; praise him, all his hosts!
Praise him, you highest heavens,
and you waters above the heavens!
Let them praise the name of the Lord!

*Song *"Praise the Lord! O Heavens, Adore Him"*
(see screen)

Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Holy God, each day we desire to follow you, and each day we fail in some way. We need your grace. Apart from you, we are lost. We thank you that you do not treat us as our sins deserve. As we worship you and partake of the bread and cup, remind us of your matchless grace and infinite love. Amen.

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 *"Praying Christ, We Hear Your Word"*
(© 2017 by Celebrating Grace) Russell Floyd (ASCAP)
Glory Singers

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Song *"Let Us Break Bread Together"* No. 525

Scripture John 6:51-58 p. 1060

Message *"What's Jesus Talking About?"* Pastor John

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Musical Offering *"All Creatures of Our God and King"*
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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.

“Praying Christ, We Hear Your Word” (Today’s Special Music)

Praying Christ, we hear Your word call us to persistent prayer,
that Your will be undeterred and Your justice we may share.

Often, with uplifted eyes, may our prayers to You arise.

Praying Christ, we hear Your word, may our prayers to You arise.

With the faith of true belief, when life brings us grief or care,
we will come to seek relief knowing that You hear our prayer.

Asking, we beseech, implore; seeking for our cares to cease.

Knocking at Your open door, we await Your promised peace.

Praying Christ, we hear Your word, may our prayers to You arise.

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Today’s Scripture Reading

John 6:51-58

⁵¹ I am the living bread that came down from heaven. If anyone eats of this bread, he will live forever. And the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.”

⁵² The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, “How can this man give us his flesh to eat?” ⁵³ So Jesus said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. ⁵⁴ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. ⁵⁵ For my flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. ⁵⁶ Whoever feeds on my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him. ⁵⁷ As the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever feeds on me, he also will live because of me. ⁵⁸ This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like the bread the fathers ate, and died. Whoever feeds on this bread will live forever.”

Notes:

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, August 18

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
2:30-4:00pm Youth Group
4:00-5:30pm Kids Group

Monday, August 19

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

Tuesday, August 20

10:30am Prayer Group
7:00pm Session Meeting

Wednesday, August 21

9:30am Staff Meeting
7:00pm CAV Meeting
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Thursday, August 22

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

Friday, August 23

7:30am A.A. Meeting

Saturday, August 24

8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, August 25

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
2:30-4:00pm Youth Group
4:00-5:30pm Kids Group

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, August 25th, to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

Please plan to join us on Sunday, September 8th, for Christian Education Sunday. We will recognize, and pray for our Sunday School teaching staff as well as nursery attendant and SS superintendent.

Stewardship Sunday will be held on September 15th.

Visiting Missionary. On Monday, September 16, the mission and outreach committee will host a missionary from the denomination's Peacemaking ministry. The Peacemaking ministry works globally, and this promises to be a very educational and interesting program. Come hear what God is doing in other parts of the world! All are welcome, and the program begins at 7pm.

Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner. Get your tickets now from any Yokefellow and plan to join us on Saturday, September 28, 4:30-6:30pm, 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.

Activity Bags for children attending Worship services are now available. Deacons will be offering them to any child attending. Children who are visiting may take the Activity Bag home with them. Children who are regular attenders will leave their bag in the Narthex to be used again the following Sunday.

New members wanted! The Geneva Ringers currently have several positions open for the Fall/Winter season. Contact Penny LaRue (penvfarm@aol.com) for more information.

Serve the Lord by Serving at His Table! The central Sacrament of our faith is Holy Communion. Preparation for this holy experience requires the hands and hearts of those willing to serve at the Lord's Table by preparing it for celebration of the Sacrament. We need your help! If you feel called to Serve the Lord by Serving at His Table please contact Lazan Rogers or any member of the Worship Team or the church office.

Capital Campaign Update: Dear Congregation Family, thank you for participating in our shared Sunday School Hour's facilities walkthrough which identified over 60 items that we could improve with your Capital Campaign contributions. There are a handful of items that don't cost us anything, and in 2024 you should look for some scheduled work days to help out in sharing your time to complete. For those wanting to make a difference sooner, you can contribute to the Capital Campaign now through your usual donation method or via the no-fee PayPal Giving Fund <https://paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/3122728>.

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.

A nursery is available for children ages 2-5. Please see an usher for more information.

The CTPC Hospitality Center has created this wish list to assist in maintenance and growth. All donations greatly appreciated!



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.

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>).

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

Birthdays this week: Mike Ishman, Joe Hardy.

Anniversaries this week: Allen & Lazan Rogers.

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 –125; Nursery—0; Virtual Views—210

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934.
General Offering: \$2,815; Designated Offerings: Sunday School—\$19; Loose—\$182.

Ushers for August: Debbie Henshaw (head), Doug McDonough (counter)

Ushers for September: Bob Tansill (head), Judy Edwards (counter)

CTPC Upcoming Events:

September 2nd:	OFFICE CLOSED—Labor Day
September 8th:	Christian Education Sunday
September 15th:	Stewardship Sunday
September 28th:	Yokefellows BBQ Dinner 4:30-6:30pm

For electronic giving, please scan here:

