

# CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

10:30 AM



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\*Sung Response “For the Life That You Have Given” No. 717

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

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

\*Song “God of Grace and God of Gory” No. 307

\*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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Class of 2026

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*Please hold the bread and the cup and partake when directed, when all have been served. Gluten free bread is in the center of the tray.*

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

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*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 "You Are My All in All" Dennis Jernigan  
(©2015 Shepherd's Heart Music, Inc.)  
Rose Ann Glover

Call to Worship Psalm 150:1-3, 6  
Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;  
praise him in his mighty heavens!  
**Praise him for his mighty deeds;  
praise him according to his excellent greatness!**  
Praise him with trumpet sound;  
praise him with lute and harp!  
**Let everything that has breath praise the Lord!  
Praise the Lord!**

\*Song "Come, Christians, Join to Sing" No. 267

Prayer of Confession (in unison)  
**Righteous God, you lead us by example through your generous love and remind us that there is always more to learn about what it means to live a life of faith. We struggle to remain faithful to you, falling into familiar sins and unholy behavior. Forgive our wanderings and our striving for things that do not last. Help us to understand and to live by your grace each day. Amen.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon...

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

\*Sung Response to Confession  
"Hear the Good News of Salvation" No. 441 (vs. 1 & refrain)

Children's Moment Garth Stevens-Jennings

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

\*Song "Christ for the World! We Sing" (see screen)

Scripture Galatians 1:1-10 p. 1154

Message "The Pivot" Pastor John

\*Profession of Faith "Apostles' Creed" (see screen)

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Musical Offering "My Faith Has Found a Resting Place"  
(©2022 Candela Works Music) Tune: Landas  
Rose Ann Glover

*The congregation responds in song because God hears our prayer.*

*Prayer in worship connects us to God and to one another.*

*While not written by the apostles the Apostles Reflects the faith of the early church. It has undergone numerous revisions attaining its final form during the 8th century.*

*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.*

## Notes:

### Today's Scripture Reading Galatians 1:1-10

**1** Paul, an apostle—not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead— **2**and all the brothers who are with me,

To the churches of Galatia:

**3**Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, **4**who gave himself for our sins to deliver us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, **5**to whom be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**6**I am astonished that you are so quickly deserting him who called you in the grace of Christ and are turning to a different gospel— **7**not that there is another one, but there are some who trouble you and want to distort the gospel of Christ. **8**But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed. **9**As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

**10**For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.

### The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

#### Sunday, September 1

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

#### Monday, September 2—Labor Day

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

#### Tuesday, September 3

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

#### Wednesday, September 4

7:00pm CAV Meeting  
7:00pm Glory Singers  
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

#### Thursday, September 5

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

#### Friday, September 6

7:30am A.A. Meeting

#### Saturday, September 7

5:30pm Friendship Meal Ministry  
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

#### Sunday, September 8—Christian Ed Sunday

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)  
10:30am Worship Celebration  
11:30am Congregational Meeting  
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.

**The church office** will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 2nd, for Labor Day. Have a safe holiday.

**Please plan to join us** next 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.

**The session** has called for a congregational meeting next Sunday, September 8th, following worship. At that meeting, the CNC will place into nomination the following people: Elder: Chris Clark (2025); Christian Pechuekonis, Kathy Shue, Roger Snook (2027); Deacon: Matthew Henshaw, Anne Portrey (2026); Gary Scott, Ruth Scott, Tommy Morgan (2027); Trustee: Marty Kable (2027); CNC: Allen Peacher, Rebecca Karos, Hoyle Fulbright (2027). Nominations will be taken from floor per the *Book of Order*.

**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.

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

**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.

**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>.

**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 worshipping. Please contact the church office if you know of someone who would be a good fit for this position. [ctpres@ctpres.org](mailto:ctpres@ctpres.org).

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

**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.

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



**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 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:** Emily Pizzuti, Allen Rogers, Mary Rider Kline, Connor Howard, Ken Hetzinger.

**Anniversaries this week:** Samuel & Rachel Wilson.

**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—63; Nursery—2; Virtual Views—319.

**Weekly Congregational Giving** Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934.  
General Offering: \$2,795; On-Line Donations—\$1,844; Designated Offerings: Sunday School—\$32; Hunger—\$109.

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

**Ushers for October:** Brooks Kursey (head), Debbie Henshaw (counter)

### **CTPC Upcoming Events:**

September 2nd: OFFICE CLOSED—Labor Day  
September 8th: Christian Education Sunday  
Congregational Meeting 11:30am

September 15th: Stewardship Sunday  
September 16th: Visiting Missionary 7pm  
September 28th: Yokefellows BBQ Dinner 4:30-6:30pm

**For electronic giving, please scan here:**

