

CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 16, 2025

10:30 AM



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 “God, We Honor You” No. 709

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

*Song “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley” (screen)

*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 Chris Clark, Doyle Criswell, Marsha Dibbern Diane Mayhew, Beth Pugh, Patsy White Christian Pechuekonis, Kathy Shue, Roger Snook	Board of Deacons Judy Edwards, Sue Flanagan, Debbie Henshaw, Brooks Kursey Matthew Henshaw, Anne Portrey, Bob Tansill Tommy Morgan, Gary Scott, Ruth Scott	Class of 2025 Class of 2026 Class of 2027
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“Come, O Jesus” (today's special music)

Come, O Jesus, come, o Jesus, come, O Jesus, be the way, the life everlasting.

Come, O Jesus, come this way and break the rock that hides my road so we can walk where the rock is.

Come, O Jesus, come this way and break the rock, yes, come this day, so we can walk where the rock is.

Come, O Jesus, come this way and wipe the tear that hides my face so we can walk where the tear is.

Come, O Jesus, come this way and wipe the tear, yes, come this day, so we can walk where the tear is.

Come, O Jesus, come, O Jesus, come, O Jesus, be the way, the life everlasting.

Come, O Jesus, come this way and calm the war that hides my peace so we can walk where the war is.

Come, O Jesus, come this way and clam the war, yes, come this day, so we can walk where the war is.

Come, O Jesus, come, O Jesus,

come, O Jesus, be the way, the life everlasting.

Come, O Jesus, come this way, come burst the grave that hides my life;

Come, Jesus, come this day, come Jesus, come, O Jesus,

come this way and burst the grace,

yes, come this day, O come, O come, O Jesus.

Come, O Jesus, come O Jesus, come this day.

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Today’s Scripture Reading

John 17:1-19

7 When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, ²since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. ³And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. ⁴I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. ⁵And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

⁶“I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. ⁷Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. ⁸For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. ⁹I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. ¹⁰All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. ¹¹And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. ¹²While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled. ¹³But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. ¹⁴I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁵I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. ¹⁶They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. ¹⁷Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. ¹⁸As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. ¹⁹And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth.

NOTES:

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, March 16

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
11:30am Geneva Ringers
11:30am New Members Class
2:30-4:00pm Youth Group
4:00-5:30pm Kids Group

Monday, March 17

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

Tuesday, March 18

12:00pm Basic Music
1:00pm Silver Bells
6:00pm Session Meeting

Wednesday, March 19

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

Thursday, March 20

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

Friday, March 21

7:30am A.A. Meeting

Saturday, March 22

8:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, March 23

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
11:30am Geneva Ringers
2:30-4:00pm Youth Group
4:00-5:30pm Kids Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

Informational Presentation David Weil, a member of our congregation and current (?) federal employee, is presenting an informal presentation following worship on Sunday, March 30. David will explain what the terms, "waste, fraud, and abuse" mean with respect to federal spending and how those issues are typically handled. This is not going to be any kind of political debate, it is simply information to help us clarify and understand words that are used frequently in the news. If there are any questions, please contact Pastor John or David Weil.

Palm Sunday Easter Egg Hunt: Get ready for this year's Easter Egg hunt, happening after worship on April 13th, rain or shine. Bring your family and try to find the most eggs, all of which will be filled with candy! We hope to see you there. Any questions see Marsha Dibbern or Garth Stevens-Jennings.

Maundy Thursday service. Please join us Thursday, April 17th, at 7:00pm, for our Maundy Thursday service. The offering will go the One Great Hour of Sharing.

Good Friday service. Please join us Friday, April 18th, at 7:00pm, for our Good Friday service. The offering will go to the One Great Hour of Sharing.

Community Sunrise Service to be held on Sunday, April 20th, at 6:30am, at Jefferson Memorial Park.

One Great Hour of Sharing offering will be collected on Resurrection Sunday, April 20th. The OGHS offering is used to assist people in suffering and in need through Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program and the Self Development of People program.

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.

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.

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

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/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>).

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!



JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: David Van Vuuren, Vincent Pugh, Emily Rogers, Julia McDonough.

Anniversaries this week: Howard & Kaz Feldstein.

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 –62; Nursery–4; Virtual Views–N/A.

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. General Offering –\$950; On-Line Donations–\$2,775; Designated Offering–Sunday School–\$35; Loose–\$132; Restore God's House–\$400; Facility Use–\$150; Memorial–\$500.

Ushers for March: Brooks Kursey (head), Anne Portrey (counter)

Ushers for April: Judy Edwards (head), TBD

CTPC Upcoming Events:

March 16th	New Members Class 11:30am, following worship
March 23rd	Welcome New Members during worship
May 30th	Informational Presentation following worship
April 13th	Palm Sunday–Easter Egg Hunt following worship
April 17th	Maundy Thursday service 7:00pm
April 18th	Good Friday service 7:00pm
April 20th	Resurrection Sunday Community Sunrise Service at Jefferson Memorial Park 6:30am
April 21st	OFFICE CLOSED
May 26th	OFFICE CLOSED-Memorial Day



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