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*Sung Response “We All Are One in Mission” No. 733 (vs. 1)

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Song “Come! Live in the Light!” No. 749

*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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CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2025
10:30 AM



Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Psalm 84:1-4

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!
**My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.**
Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for
herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars,
O Lord of hosts, my King and my God.
**Blessed are those who dwell in your house, ever
singing your praise!**

*Song	<i>“Come into His Presence”</i>	LUYH No. 8
	<i>“Blessed Are Those”</i>	LUYH No. 2

Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will. You have shown us what is good, but we remain enthralled by evil. You have offered us abundance, but we are satisfied with wealth. Forgive us, God of grace. By the power of your Word cut away all that is false and open our hearts to new life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession
Assurance of Pardon...
Friends, believe the good news of the gospel,
In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

*Sung Response to Confession
“Breathe on Me, Breath of God” No. 286 (vs. 1)

Children's Moment Pastor John

Special Music “*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*” arr. Fred Bock
Pat Dick Attributed to Martin Luther

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Song	<i>“Will You Come and Follow Me”</i>	No. 726
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Scripture Luke 5:1-11 p. 1023

Message “Calling” Michael Sander

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Musical Offering
"How Can I Keep from Singing w/Praise Him!"
 (2006 ThankYouMusic) arr. Victor Labenske

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

Highlights of the October 21 stated meeting:

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Approved as amended the minutes of the September 2025 stated meeting.

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Spent time working through the Operations Manual. After getting bogged down the session decided that they would take the relevant parts of the operations manual back to their committees and then the session will review the whole manual once each section is complete.

◇

Approved a motion from the Stewardship and Vision committee to start a new program focused on regular monthly stewardship in 2026. This program is called “Go Fourth!” and will happen on the fourth Sunday of each month. More information will be available as we get closer to the new year.

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Called for a congregational meeting following worship on November 2nd, for the purpose of electing a trustee.

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Discussed at length the status of the Liberty St project. This is a new venture for the church, and the project hit a significant snag. There are improvements we are required to have to host a day care center – such things as a sprinkler system and a hard-wired alarm system. These are not inexpensive improvements, but rather than throwing up our hands, the session is collecting information on what is required, what it will cost, and alternative sources of funding such as grants. We encourage the congregation to keep this project in prayer.

◇

Elected Kathy Shue to serve as elder commissioner for the meeting of Shenandoah Presbytery on November 15. The meeting will be at Covenant Church in Lexington.

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Approved hosting a parenting class called “Nurturing Parenting.” This class will be led by facilitators from the Jefferson Berkeley Alliance, and organization that works to reduce substance abuse. One of the tools that works to help strengthen families is Nurturing Parenting. This course is open to all parents and will provide some helpful ways to strengthen families. More information will be forthcoming.

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church			
Sunday, October 26		Wednesday, October 29	
9:00am	Education Hour (all ages)	7:00pm	CAV Meeting
10:30am	Worship Celebration	8:00pm	A.A. Meeting
11:30am	Geneva Ringers		
4-6:00pm	Pathfinders Youth Group		
Monday, October 27		Friday, October 31	
5:30-1:00pm	Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)	7:30am	A.A. Meeting
7:30am	A.A. Meeting		
5:00pm	Prayer Group		
7:00pm	Worship & Music		
7:30pm	A.A. Meeting		
Tuesday, October 28		Saturday, November 1	
12:00pm	Basic Music	5:30pm	Friendship Ministry Meal
1:00pm	Silver Bells	8:00pm	A.A. Meeting
7:00pm	DFM Meeting		
		Sunday, November 2	
		9:00am	Education Hour (all ages)
		10:30am	Worship Celebration
		11:30am	Geneva Ringers

Today’s Scripture Reading

Luke 5:1-11

5 On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on him to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, 2 and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. 3 Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. 4 And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” 5 And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” 6 And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. 7 They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. 8 But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” 9 For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, 10 and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” 11 And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

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.

This morning we welcome Michael Sander to the pulpit.

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

The Session has called for a congregational meeting following worship on Sunday, November 2nd, for the purpose of electing a trustee.

New Members. A couple of people have asked Pastor John about joining the church. Currently, Pastor John is teaching the older youth Sunday School class, and with some planned upcoming interruptions, scheduling the new members class is more challenging than usual. If you are interested in attending a new members class, please email Pastor John at jbethard@ctpres.org or speak with him personally, and we will work together to come up with a date for the next class. Thank you.

Our SOCK IT TO ME WITH T-SHIRTS AND SOCKS campaign for Community Missions begins in October. Drop off your contributions in the baskets at the front of the sanctuary. You may contribute money and we will purchase for you. Please see Doyle Criswell with any questions.

Fall Feast & Fellowship: Please join the Fellowship Team on Sunday, November 16th, after worship for a time of Fellowship and Feasting. The Fellowship Team will provide fried chicken, ham and mashed potatoes. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert and a thankful heart. If you have any questions, please call Lazan Rogers (304-886-5490) or the church office (304-725-5316). The Fellowship Team welcomes any help cleaning up after the meal. Thank you.

Yokefellows Sunday School class is in need of two Sunday school teachers. Teachers are furnished with teaching materials from the Adult Bible Studies series. Teachers will only be asked to teach one Sunday per month. Please contact the church office if you are interested (304-725-5316 or ctpres@ctpres.org).

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 any member of the Worship Team or the church office.

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>).

A nursery is available for children ages infant -5. Please see an usher 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.

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: Vickie Burns, Madison Henshaw, Roxanne Noland, Sandy Camilletti, Laurel Odell.

Anniversaries this week: Hoyle & Cheryl Fulbright, Daniel & Jannette Beeson J. P. & Donna Burns, Marty & Carol Kable.

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.

Last Sunday Worship: In-person -58; Nursery-1; Virtual Views-235

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. General Offering - \$2,145; Designated Offering—Sunday School—\$81; Loose—\$150; Facility Use—\$150; Music Program—\$150; Restore God's House—\$50.

Ushers for October: Brooks Kursey (head), Sue Flanagan (counter), Matthew Henshaw
Worship Assistants October: 26th-Lynne Pechuekonis

Ushers for November: Debbie Henshaw (head), Anne Portrey (counter), Bob Tansill
Worship Assistants November: 9th-Cy Staniec, 23rd-Steve Bossung

CTPC Upcoming Events:

November 5th	Life Line Screening 8-5:00pm
November 9th	Pathfinders Youth Group 4-6:00pm
November 16th	Fall Festival Luncheon following worship
November 22nd	CTP Women's Group 10:00am
November 23rd	Pathfinders Youth Group 4-6:00pm
November 27th	OFFICE CLOSED—Happy Thanksgiving
November 28th	OFFICE CLOSED
November 30th	Advent Festival/Decorating church following worship



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