

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 Church.

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\*Sung Response “We Praise You, O God” No. 612 (vs. 1)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

\*Song “O Jesus, I Have Promised” No. 724

\*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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| Pastor<br>Music Director<br>Church Secretary<br>Nursery Attendant<br>Nursery Attendant                                                          | Staff<br>John Bethard<br>Penny Liston<br>Rebecca Kaetzel<br>Jordan McLain<br>Tara Buffet | <a href="mailto:jbethard@ctpres.org">jbethard@ctpres.org</a><br><a href="mailto:penfvfarm@aol.com">penfvfarm@aol.com</a><br><a href="mailto:rkaetzel@ctpres.org">rkaetzel@ctpres.org</a> |
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| Chris Clark, Doyle Criswell, Marsha Dibbern<br>Diane Mayhew, Beth Pugh, Patsy White<br>Christian Pechuekonis, Kathy Shue, Roger Snook           | The Session                                                                              | Class of 2025<br>Class of 2026<br>Class of 2027                                                                                                                                          |
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| Judy Edwards, Sue Flanagan, Debbie Henshaw, Brooks Kursey<br>Matthew Henshaw, Anne Portrey, Bob Tansill<br>Tommy Morgan, Gary Scott, Ruth Scott | Board of Deacons                                                                         | Class of 2025<br>Class of 2026<br>Class of 2027                                                                                                                                          |
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# CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2025  
10:30 AM



  
Know. Grow. Serve.  
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*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.*

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

Children's Moment Pastor John

## Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

\*Song                      “*Take My Life*”                      No. 697 (vs. 1, 2, 5, 6)

Scripture Galatians 5:22-23 p. 1158

Message      *“Bearing Fruit: Self-Control”*      Pastor John

## Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Musical Offering      *“Take My Life and Let It Be”*  
                                          (2013 by Jennifer Cook)      arr. Jennifer Cook

***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.***

Notes:

Today’s Scripture Reading  
Galatians 5:22-23

<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

**Sunday, November 16**

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)  
9:45am Glory Singers & Alleluia Singers  
10:30am Worship Celebration  
11:30am After-Church Fall Fest Luncheon

**Monday, November 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, November 18**

12:45pm Silver Bells  
7:00pm Session Meeting

**Wednesday, November 19**

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

**Thursday, November 20**

5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal

**Friday, November 21**

7:30am A.A. Meeting

**Saturday, November 22**

10:00am CTP Women’s Group  
8:00pm A.A. Meeting

**Sunday, November 23**

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)  
9:30am Silver Bells  
10:30am Worship Celebration  
4-6:00pm Pathfinders Youth 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.

**Fall Feast & Fellowship:** Please join the Fellowship Team today after worship for a time of Fellowship and Feasting. The Fellowship Team will provide fried chicken, ham and mashed potatoes. The Fellowship Team welcomes any help cleaning up after the meal. Thank you.

**Children's Thanksgiving Offering.** This Thanksgiving we ask you to remember children and families experiencing pain, hunger, hopelessness, separation from loved 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 next Sunday, November 23rd. Note memo line "Thanksgiving offering". As always, thank you for your generosity.

**Six-cents-a-meal** offering will be collected next, November 23rd, to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

**The church office closed** for Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday, November 27th, and Friday, November 28th. Happy Thanksgiving and have a safe holiday.

**5th Sunday** offering will be collected on Sunday, November 30th, to benefit the Pastor's Help Fund.

**The Birthday Cake Project** ensures that all kids can enjoy a birthday cake on their special day. Because Christmas is the birthday of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, it is an appropriate time to collect the contents for birthday cake kits and assemble them as part of our Advent Celebration on November 30. If you would like to contribute to this project and support our CTPC children and youth, you can do so by bringing any of the following to the church office during the week, or to the Hospitality Room on Sunday mornings no later than November 30: box cake mix, can of frosting, can of soda (Coke or Sprite), disposable cake pan w/lid, one birthday cake candle, gift bag, generic birthday card. Thank you.

**An Advent Celebration** for all ages will be held following worship on November 30th. A light lunch will be served. There will be carol singing and crafts in the fellowship hall. **Please join us!**

**During the Advent celebration** following worship on Sunday, November 30th, we will decorate the sanctuary. Any adults wishing to help decorate would be most welcome.

**Our Mission and Outreach Committee** is asking for donations of hotdogs, rolls and plain tortilla chips for the Charles Town Christmas parade on Saturday, December 6<sup>th</sup>. We welcome your help as our church serves food and drink to those attending the Charles Town Christmas Parade. This is a chance for us to greet the community and serve some free food. It is always a fun day! Please have donations to the church by Sunday, November 30th. Any questions please contact Doyle Criswell at 502.718.6411.

**Memorial poinsettias** will be placed in our sanctuary this Advent and Christmas season. Call or email the church office by **Wednesday, December 3rd**, to sign up (304-725-5316 or [ctpres@ctpres.org](mailto:ctpres@ctpres.org)). Cost is \$12.00, single stemmed. If you purchase a poinsettia, please remove it from the sanctuary after the service on the 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank you.

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

**Christmas Joy Service** will be on Sunday, December 14th, at 3pm. Please plan to join us.

**Christmas Joy Offering**, will be collected during the service. 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.

**Christmas Eve Service** will be at 5:30pm. Please plan to join us.

**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.

**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](mailto: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/App Store) 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 CTPC Hospitality Center** has created this wish list to assist in maintenance and growth. All donations greatly appreciated!

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

**Birthdays this week:** Sharon Harrell, Allen Peacher.

**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. Please keep these faithful servants in prayer.

**Last Sunday Worship:** In-person—45; Nursery—0; Virtual Views—193

**Weekly Congregational Giving** Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. General Offering—\$1,490; Designated Offering—Sunday School—\$81; Loose—\$85; Hunger—\$130; Sound System—\$100; Music Program—\$100. On-Line donations—General Offering—\$2,020; Designated Offering—\$103; Restore God's House—\$80.

**Ushers for November:** Debbie Henshaw (head), Anne Portrey (counter), Bob Tansill  
**Worship Assistant November:** 23rd—Steve Bossung

**Ushers for December:** Matthew Henshaw (head), Brooks Kursey (counter), Ann Portrey

## CTPC Upcoming Events:

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| 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 |
| December 6th  | Charles Town/Rason Christmas Parade 2pm             |
| December 7th  | Pathfinders Youth Group—Caroling 4-6:00pm           |
| December 14th | Christmas Joy Service 3:00pm                        |
| December 24th | Christmas Eve Service 5:30pm                        |

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