

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 Church.

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*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 “Go in Grace and Make Disciples” No. 296

*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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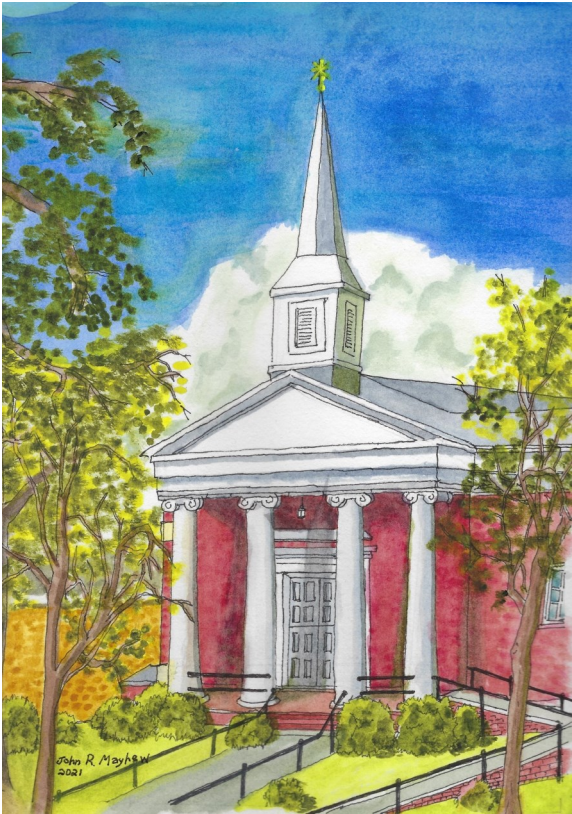
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CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2026

10:30 AM



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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.

Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude “*Amazing Grace*” arr. Jerry Ray
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Call to Worship Psalm 16:5-8
The Lord is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
The lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; indeed, I have a beautiful inheritance.
I bless the Lord who gives me counsel;
in the night also my heart instructs me.
I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken.

*Song “*Amazing Grace, How Sweet the Sound*” No. 649

Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Merciful God, we confess that we have not followed your way. You call us to seek justice, yet we abuse and ignore the poor. You call us to show mercy, yet we turn away from those in need. Forgive us, God of grace. Give us the wisdom and courage to abandon our places of privilege and to show our faith in action; 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 “*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*” No. 260 (vs. 3)

Children’s Moment Pastor John

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord’s Prayer

*Song “*We All Are One in Mission*” No. 733

Scripture Matthew 28:16-20 p. 993

Message “*Sharing the Message*” Pastor John

*Profession of Faith “*Apostles’ Creed*” (see screen)

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Musical Offering “*I’ll Go Where You Want Me to Go*” arr. Jennifer Cook
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*Sung Response “*God Whose Giving Knows No Ending*” No. 716 (vs. 1)

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
Matthew 28:16-20

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷And when they saw him they worshiped him, but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 6

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration

Monday, September 7

OFFICE CLOSED –Labor Day

Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)

7:30am A.A. Meeting
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Tuesday, September 8

7:00pm Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, September 9

7:00pm CAV Meeting
7:00pm A.A. Meeting

Thursday, September 10

Friday, September 11

7:30am A.A. Meeting

Saturday, September 12

4:30-6:30pm Yokefellows BBQ Dinner
7:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, September 13

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration

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 7th, in observance of Labor Day.

The Yokefellows Sunday School Class is requesting contributions of baked goods such as cakes, pies, cookies and, pastries for the September 12, 2026 Yokefellows BBQ Dinner Fundraiser. Members wishing to contribute baked goods should contact Jeanette Tabb.

Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner. Get your tickets now from any Yokefellow and plan to join us this Saturday, September 12, 2026, 4:30-6:30pm, for fresh pork BBQ, slaw, mac & cheese, baked bean, desserts, and drink provided. Tickets: \$15.00 adults; \$7.00 children under 12 years; Free children under 3 years. Proceeds from the dinner go to church ministries.

CTPC is hosting a free community concert on Sunday, September 20th, 2:00pm, with Thomas Keesecker. Mr. Keesecker is a composer, pianist, and retired church musician whose sacred choral works and piano collections are published by MorningStar, Augsburg Fortress, Choristers Guild, Concordia, and GIA. Drawing from classical, jazz, Celtic, and folk traditions, he brings hymn tunes to life through expressive arrangements and thoughtful reflections shared with communities nationwide. Please plan to join us and bring a friend.

World Communion Sunday, October 4th. To help us focus on our role in answering the question in Micah 6:8, we are asking everyone in the congregation to participate in an Art Contest, using the drawing below (full sized copies will be available) with whatever medium you choose. Be creative! Prizes will be awarded for adults and youth. Submit your creation by September 27th. Please sign your name on the back of your artwork! Copies available for the Contest throughout the church!

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).

Do you love apples? We apple-solutely have the event for you! Apple Fest 2026! Join us Sunday, October 18, 2026 at 11:30 am (after Worship) in the Hospitality Center. Apple everything! Apple cider, apple pie, apple bread, caramel and dips for apples and other apple goodies! Now is the time to start thinking of your favorite apple treat to make and share. Please watch for more information and a sign up soon.

Six-cents a meal offering will be collected on Sunday, September 27th, to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger 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.

A nursery is available for children ages infant-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!



JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Ken Hetzinger.

Anniversaries this week: Bryan & Angie LaVallee, Mike & Jane Ishman.

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 –66; Nursery–4; Views–N\A

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934.

Last Sunday—General Offering—\$985; Designated Offering—Sunday School—\$92; Hunger—\$187; Basement Improvement/Childcare—\$2,400; Help—\$60.

Ushers for September: Hoyle Fulbright (head usher), Tommy Morgan (counter), Daniel Beeson.

Ushers for October: Ruth Scott (head usher), Sue Flanagan (counter), Hoyle Fulbright.

Worship Assistants September: 13th—Henry Christie; 27th Sue Flanagan.

Worship Assistants October: 10th—Margaret Kursey; 25th—Lynne Pechueukonis

CTPC Upcoming Events:

September 7th	OFFICE CLOSED—Labor Day
September 12th	Yokefellows BBQ Dinner 4:30-6:30pm
September 19th	Pathfinders at C&O Canal Shepherdstown at 5:00pm
September 20th	CTPC hosts community concert 2:00pm
October 4th	World Communion Sunday
October 18th	Hospitality Center Apple Fest following worship 11:30am

For electronic giving, please scan here:

