*Sung Response
"*Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow*" No. 606

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Song *"Lift High the Cross"* No. 826

*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.

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

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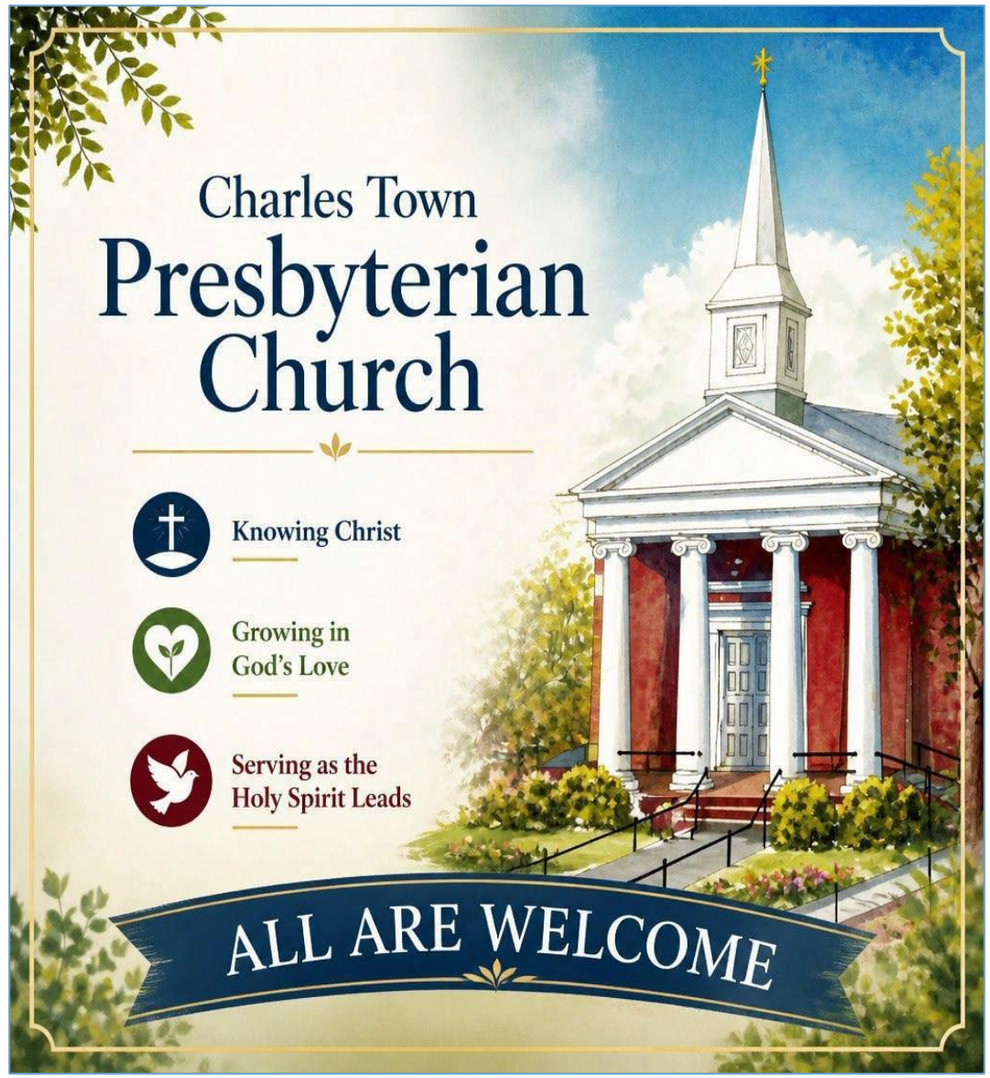
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Sunday, November 8, 2026
10:30 AM
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Please use this time to quietly prepare for worship.

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 "*I Know Whom I Have Believed*"
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Call to Worship Psalm 27:7-10

Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud; be gracious to me and answer me?
You have said, "Seek my face."
My heart says to you, "Your face, Lord, do I seek."
Hide not your face from me. Turn not your servant away in anger, O you who have been my help. Cast me not off; forsake me not, O God of my salvation!
For my father and my mother have forsaken me,
but the Lord will take me in.

*Song "*To God Be the Glory*" No. 634

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will. You call for your faithfulness and love; we respond with half-hearted praise. You call for righteousness and peace; we respond with empty promises. Forgive us, God of grace. Teach us how to worship you with the sacrifice you desire: loving you and loving one another; 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
"*Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart*" No. 688 (vs. 1)

The congregation responds in song because God hears our prayer.

Children's Moment Heny Christie

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

Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

*Song "*How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord*" No. 432

Scripture Mark 8:27-38 p. 1003

Message "*Who Do You Say that HE Is*" Henry Christie

Please pass the offering plate to your neighbors in your pew.

Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings

Offering is our response to all that God has given us!

Musical Offering *"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"*
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Rose Ann Glover

The musical offering allows us time to reflect on all that God has given us.

NOTES:

The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, November 8
9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
4:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal

Monday, November 9
Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)
7:30am A.A. Meeting
7:00pm Technology & Communications
7:30pm A.A. Meeting

Tuesday, November 10
7:00pm Deacons Meeting

Wednesday, November 11
4:00pm CAV Meeting
7:00pm A.A. Meeting

Thursday, November 12

Friday, November 13
7:30am A.A. Meeting

Saturday, November 14
12:00pm A.A. Event Planning Meeting
7:00pm A.A. Meeting

Sunday, November 15
9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration

Today's Scripture Reading
Mark 8:27-38

27 And Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi. And on
the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" 28 And they told him,
"John the Baptist; and others say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." 29 And he
asked them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the
Christ." 30 And he strictly charged them to tell no one about him.

31 And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be
rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after
three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and
began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and
said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God,
but on the things of man."

34 And calling the crowd to him with his disciples, he said to them, "If anyone would
come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. 35 For
whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake and the
gospel's will save it. 36 For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and
forfeit his soul? 37 For what can a man give in return for his soul? 38 For whoever is
ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will
the Son of Man also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the
holy angels."

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 Henry Christie to the pulpit.

Memorial poinsettias will be placed in our sanctuary this Advent and Christmas season. Call or email the church office by **Wednesday, December 2nd**, to sign up (304-725-5316 or 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 24th. Thank you.

Presbyterian Women will meet on Saturday, November 21, 2026, 10:00 a.m., Meet at Panera Bread, 72 Oak Lee Drive, Ranson, WV. Bring a friend and enjoy fellowship in small groups**.**

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 on Sunday, November 22nd. Note memo line "Thanksgiving offering". As always, thank you for your generosity.

Six-cents-a-meal offering will be collected on, November 22nd, to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

The church office closed for Thanksgiving Holiday on Thursday, November 26th, and Friday, November 27th. Happy Thanksgiving and have a safe holiday.

5th Sunday offering will be collected on Sunday, November 29th, to benefit the Pastor's Help Fund.

Greening the Sanctuary will be on Saturday, December 5th, at 10am. Kids welcome to decorate the Chrismon tree! Refreshments in the Hospitality Center. All are 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 5th. 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 29th. Any questions please contact Doyle Criswell at 502.718.6411.

Yokefellows Sunday School class is in need to 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).

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: Tracey Owens, Ruth Scott, George Karos, Penny Liston, Quentein LaVallee, Cy Staniec.

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 –59; Nursery—4; Views—N/A.

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: $6,934.
Last Sunday—General Offering—$ 2,830; Designated Offering—Sunday School—$84; Loose--$112; Hunger—$10; Restore God's House--$100; Building Fund--$140; Help Fund--$80; Thanksgiving--$10; JCCM--$5.

Ushers for November: Gary Scott (head usher), Anne Portrey (counter), Tommy Morgan.
Ushers for December: Matthew Henshaw (head usher), Gary Scott (counter), Anne Portrey.

Worship Assistants November: 22nd—Cy Staniec

CTPC Upcoming Events:

November 17th	Life-Line Screening 8-5:00pm
November 21st	CTP Women's Group 10:00am at Panera
November 26th	Happy Thanksgiving /OFFICE CLOSED
November 27th	OFFICE CLOSED
December 5th	Greening of church for Christmas Season 10:00am
	Charles Town/Ranson Christmas Parade 2:00pm
	Friendship Ministry Meal 5:30pm
December 13th	Christmas Joy Service 3:00pm
December 21st	Longest Night Service 7:00pm
December 24th	OFFICE CLOSED
	Christmas Eve Family Service 5:30pm
December 25th	Merry Christmas—OFFICE CLOSED
December 31st	New Year's Eve—OFFICE CLOSED
January 1st	Happy New Year!!! — OFFICE CLOSED

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