

ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Second Sunday of Lent: March 12, 2017



8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

GREETING

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

VOLUNTARY

Steven B. Blackmon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive, from Psalm 121*)

Mary Dawn Pugh

From where will our help come?

Our help comes from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Who is our keeper?

The Lord is our keeper, by day and by night.

How long will God protect us?

God will keep our going out and our coming in from this time on and forevermore.

•*PRAYER OF THE DAY

•*HYMN 645

"Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

MIT FREUDEN ZART

•CALL TO CONFESSION (*from Psalm 32:1-5*)

We cannot earn God's grace or favor. It comes to us, not as something owed, but as a gift freely given. Confident in God's love for us, even when we are ungodly, we confess our sins in faith.

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison, from Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7*)

Gracious God, we come before you in need of forgiveness and grace. We do not put our full trust in you. We are timid and fearful as your disciples. We struggle to understand the new life Christ offers, preferring old habits to risky change.

Forgive us, we pray. Help us to be born again into the life of Christ, trusting in your love which never fails.

KYRIE

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

•ASSURANCE OF PARDON (*responsive*)

Friends, God is for us and not against us! For that very reason, God sent the Son into the world not to condemn it, but to save it.

Believe the good news, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

•FIRST LESSON (*response: Thanks be to God.*)

Genesis 12:1-4a

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Caroline Hardie Edgecombe

Presentation

Questions

Affirmation of Faith ("The Apostles' Creed", Hymnal p. 35*)

Baptism

Presentation and Prayer

MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Andi Staggs

Following the Message, children in the First Grade and under may exit with church staff for a time of play.

•SECOND LESSON (*response: Thanks be to God.*)

John 3:1-7

•SERMON

"Something Overlooked"

Donald R. Frampton

*GLORIA PATRI (*Hymn 581*)

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

•THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

"Kyrie Eleison"

Vierne

Lord Have Mercy, Christ Have Mercy

The Chancel Choir

*Hymn 606

"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

SENDING

•*HYMN 440

"Jesus, Lover of My Soul"

ABERYSTWTH

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

"The Irish Blessing"

Blackmon

•*VOLUNTARY

**Please stand as you are able*

SCAPC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Flowers in the Sanctuary are dedicated to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. Harriett T. Jung by her children, Carroll Williamson and Louis Jung. | **8:30 Ushers:** Mayson Buffington, Charlie King, and Thomas Schulingkamp | **10:30 Ushers:** Jeanie Clinton, Dave Grissett, Polly Hardy, Luke & Catherine Lemoine, William Lunn, John Morton, Jr., and Pete & Stephanie November | **Acolytes:** Ava Zander and Anna Schmidt.

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

is being administered today to Caroline Hardie Edgcombe, daughter of Hardie and Lacy Edgcombe.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCAPC Artists Needed! The Spring Arts Spectacle (SAS) will open on March 29th at Wednesday Night Out and be on display until Sunday, April 2nd. All art is welcome--ceramics, sculpture, woodworking, painting, ink/drawing, mixed media, photography, embroidery/needlework, or something new! SAS is open to all artists in the SCAPC congregation, including children. Contact Genny Hagler at 504-897-0101 x132 or genny@scapc.org.

Vacation Bible School Registration is now open! This year's VBS week will take place June 5-9 and is open to all children age 3 (as of June 1, 2017) through 4th Grade. Students 5th grade and older may register as youth volunteers. For further details and/or to register, please go to www.scapc.org/vbs.

For this week's **Wednesday Night Out**, we will have a Sham-ROCKIN' St. Patrick's Day Celebration! Chef Jim Hobden has prepared a special Irish feast, and all are encouraged to **wear green!** Reservations: www.scapc.org/wno

Directory Photos Welcome! If you would like to submit an updated photo for the church directory, please e-mail it to kim@scapc.org by Friday, April 21 (following Easter Sunday). Please visit www.scapc.org for photo guidelines.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

ADULT CLASSES

Presbyterian Questions, Presbyterian Answers: 2nd floor Conference Rm. | Led by Seth Hagler

Creed - What Christians Believe and Why: Land Building Riverside | Led by Stewart Peck & Geoff Snodgrass.

Feasting on the Word: Led by Michael O'Keefe | Phifer Library

YOUTH (Grades 6-12) & Confirmands: Third Floor

CHILDREN Age 3 - Grade 5: Second Floor

TODAY

- 8:30 a.m. | Chapel Worship
- 8:45 a.m. | Ringers & Singers (Grades 2-5)
- 9:30 a.m. | Sunday School for all ages
- 10:30 a.m. | Sanctuary Worship
- 11:45 a.m. | Cherub Choir (Pre-K-Grade 1)
- 5:00 p.m. | Youth Group

- 3/13 | PW Noon Circle
3/14 | PW Evening Circle
3/15 | WNO: Sham-ROCKIN' St. Patrick's Day
3/19 | YAF Brunch (Company Burger, Freret St.)
3/20 | PW Lambeth House Circle
3/20 | Session
3/21 | MOM-SY
3/21 | YAF PINTS
3/22 | WNO: Trivia Night!
3/25 | Middle School Girls Service Project
3/26 | Commissioning Service for Cuba trip group

CALENDAR

Save the Date:

- 4/10-16 | Holy Week service schedule:
www.scapc.org/holy-week-2017
6/5-9 | Vacation Bible School

SMALL GROUPS:

For contact information and further details on the groups below, please refer to the "Getting Involved" brochures in your Friendship Register, and feel free to take one home.

CBD Study Group

Wednesdays | 7-8 a.m. | 625 St. Charles

Spiritually Hungry Women

Wednesdays | 12:30-1:45 p.m. | LB, Lakeside

Men's Bible Study

Wednesdays | 5:15 p.m. | Bloomfield Room

Women's Weekly Bible Study

Wednesdays | 5:15 p.m. | Parlor

Thursday Morning Study & Prayer Group

Thursdays | 7 a.m. | LB, Riverside

PW Needleworks Group

Thursdays | 10 a.m. - Noon | LB, Lakeside

PW Circles (Bible Studies)

Monthly Lunch, 2nd Monday | 11:45 a.m. | LB, Riverside

Monthly Evening, 2nd Tuesday | 5:45 p.m. | LB, Lakeside

Monthly, 3rd Monday | 2:30 p.m. | Lambeth House

PW Book Club

Thursdays monthly | 7 p.m. | LB, Lakeside

MOM-SY (1-12 Grade) Group

2nd and 4th Tuesdays | 9-11:00 a.m. | LB, Lakeside

YAF PINTS (Presbyterians Imbibing in Necessary Theological Study)

Alternating Tuesdays | 7 p.m. | LB, Lakeside

Middle School Girls' Small Group (MSGSG)

Tuesdays monthly | 6:30-8 p.m. | Locations TBA

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