



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

September 9, 2018 | 16th Sunday after Pentecost
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

GREETING
VOLUNTARY

Sarah Chancellor-Watson
Steven B. Blackmon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MINUTE FOR MISSION - *Global Ministries Offering*

Ann Maier

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*) *Isaiah 35:4*

Matt Guy

Be strong; do not fear! God is with us.

The Lord will come to save us.

Let us worship God.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

†*HYMN 664

“Morning Has Broken”

BUNESSAN

•CALL TO CONFESSION

Many people brought their greatest needs to Jesus, certain that he would help them. With that same confidence, let us confess our own brokenness and seek healing in forgiveness.

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Eternal God, our judge and redeemer, we confess that we have tried to hide from you, for we have done wrong. We have lived for ourselves, and apart from you. We have turned from our neighbors, and refused to bear the burden of others. We have ignored the pain of the world, and passed by the hungry, the poor, and the oppressed. In your great mercy forgive our sins and free us from selfishness, that we may choose your will and obey your commandments; through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

KYRIE

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

Blackmon

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

Just as Jesus made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak, our merciful God lifts our burdens from us, removes the failures of our past, and turns us to new life. You are forgiven. Walk in peace.

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING (*response: Thanks be to God.*)

Isaiah 35:1-10

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Katy Domyan

Following the message, children in first grade and under may exit with church staff for a time of play.

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

Mark 7:24-37

•SERMON

“Open Up”

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from *A Declaration of Faith*

We believe in one true and living God.

We acknowledge one God alone, whose demands on us are absolute, whose help for us is sufficient. That One is the Lord, whom we worship, serve, and love.

God makes himself known in Jesus Christ.

Jesus’ involvement in the human condition is God’s involvement. His compassion for all kinds of people is God’s compassion. His demand for justice, truth, and faithfulness is God’s demand. His willingness to suffer rejection is God’s willingness. Jesus’ love for the very people who reject him is God’s love.

We acknowledge no other God. We must not set our ultimate reliance on any other help. We must not yield unconditional obedience to any other power. We must not love anyone or anything more than we love God.

We praise and enjoy God.

To worship God is highest joy. To serve God is perfect freedom.

*HYMN 581

“Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER, *Hymnal*, p. 35

• THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

“Eternal God”

Martin

The Chancel Choir

*Hymn 606

*Prayer of Dedication

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER (8:30 service only)

SENDING

•*HYMN 451

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

OPEN MY EYES

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

*VOLUNTARY

†Latecomers seated | •8:30 service | *Please stand as you are able
Large print hymnals and hearing devices are available. Please see an usher.

SCAPC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Sorrell Lanier on his birthday by his family.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the Rev. Harry Brown on the death of his father, Henry Jackson Brown who died on Saturday, September 1st at Wedgewood Manor in Cavalier, ND.

8:30 USHERS: Mayson Buffington, Charlie King, and Wesley Simon; **10:30 USHERS:** Pete & Stephanie November (co-captains), **John Morton, Jr., David Grissett, Jeanie Clinton, William Lunn, Polly Hardie, Brenda Stephens, Luke & Catherine Lemoine**

ACOLYTES: Cooper Paull and Owen Heymann

TODAY

8:30 a.m. | Worship with communion in the Chapel
8:30 a.m. | Nursery open until 12:00 p.m.
9:30 a.m. | Sunday School for all ages
10:30 a.m. | Worship in the Sanctuary
5:00 p.m. | Youth Group Family BBQ: Land Building lawn

CALENDAR

9/10 | PW Noon & Lambeth House Circles
9/11 | PW Evening Circle
9/12 | Men's & Women's Bible Studies resume
9/12 | WNO Collegiate Night
9/12 | YAF PINTS resumes
9/12 | Senior High Small Group resumes
9/15 | Fall Day of Service
9/16 | Worship Workshop
9/19 | WNO Cake Walk
9/20 | PW Book Club
9/22 | YAF to Ascension Hot Air Balloon Festival
9/23 | Worship Workshop
9/26 | WNO Trivia Night

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Global Ministries Offering: As SCAPC celebrates over 100 years of sharing the love of Christ across the world, we are asking the congregation to participate in a special offering today that will help us continue our support of Presbyterian Mission Co-workers and our partnerships in Ukraine, Cuba, Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, and beyond. The Global Ministries Committee seeks your support as we provide educational programming and events here at home to help us all understand and participate in global ministry. For more information on how to get involved please contact, Global Ministries Chair, Ann Maier, at seeks@aol.com.

Don Frampton is leading the Session retreat for Eastminster Presbyterian Church in Columbia, South Carolina this weekend including preaching today.

WNO (Wednesday Night Out) Kicks Off with Collegiate Night on September 12 th! Don your college colors, bring table decorations, and be sure to specify your alma mater when you make your reservation at www.scapc.org/wno.

JLNO Diaper Drive: As part of our Churchwide Day of Service (Sept. 15th), we encourage all to bring diapers and/or wipes for the Junior League of New Orleans Diaper Drive. If you cannot make the Day of Service, you can bring your diapers/wipes to the labeled bin in Frampton Fellowship Hall after church on Sunday, Sept. 16th. For more information on the Day of Service, visit www.scapc.org.

Register for Children's Choirs at www.scapc.org/childrens-choirs. Led by Katy Domyan, both choirs rehearse in the third floor choir room on Sunday mornings. Cherub Choir (PK-1st grade) rehearses 8:30-9:15 a.m. and Ringers & Singers (1st-5th grades) rehearse 11:30 a.m.-Noon. (1st graders can participate in either choir).

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Nursery Care (Children 0-3 years old)
8:15 a.m. - Noon, Frampton Fellowship Hall Classroom

Bible Adventures (3 years old - 3 rd grade)
Second Floor, Grade level classes

Challenger Class (4 th and 5 th grades)
Second Floor, Challenger Classroom

Youth Class (6 th-12 th grades)
Third Floor, Youth Room

ADULTS

"Blessings of the Skinned Knee" by Wendy Mogel, PhD.
Second floor conference room

"The Fourth Gospel: John" - Phifer Library

"History of the Early Church" - Land Building Lakeside Room

Brochures with class descriptions are located in the friendship pads and www.scapc.org

SMALL GROUPS:

For further details on the groups below, please refer to www.scapc.org or to the "Getting Involved" brochures in your Friendship Register, and feel free to take one home!

CBD Study Group Wednesdays | 7 a.m. | 625 St. Charles Ave. |
Contact: John Morton, johnmorton@cox.net

Men's Bible Study Wednesdays | 5:00 p.m. | Bloomfield Room |
resumes Sept. 12 | Contact: Don Frampton, don@scapc.org

Middle School Girls Small Group Sept. 19, 7-8 p.m. | Creole
Creamery | Contact: Bria Rault, bria@scapc.org

Presbyterian Women's Circles (monthly Bible Studies)
· Monday Lunch | 2nd Monday | 11:45 a.m. | LB, Riverside |
resumes Sept. 10

· Monday Lambeth House | 2nd Monday | 2:30 p.m. | Lambeth
House | resumes Sept. 10

· Tuesday Evening | 2nd Tuesday | 5:45 p.m. | LB, Lakeside |
continues Sept. 11

Contact for all: Ebie Strauss, ebiestrauss@yahoo.com

Presbyterian Women's Needleworks Group Thursdays |
10 a.m.-Noon | LB, Lakeside | Contact: Mary Ann Mott, 504-
866-4424

Presbyterian Women's Book Club Third Thursdays |
5 p.m. | LB, Lakeside | resumes Sept. 20 | Contact: Elizabeth
Artigues, artigues4@cox.net

Senior High Small Group Alternating Wednesday evenings |
7:00 p.m. | 3 rd Floor Youth Room | resumes Sept. 12 | Contact:
Jessie Bruggers, j.bruggers@gmail.com

Spiritually Hungry Women Wednesdays | 12:30-1:45 p.m.
| LB, Lakeside | Contact: Miriam Schulingkamp,
schuling@aol.com

TMBS&PG (Thursday Morning Prayer & Bible Study
Group) 7 a.m. | LB, Riverside | Contact: Henrietta Harris, 504-
737-0871

Women's Bible Study Wednesdays | 5:00 p.m. | Phifer Library |
resumes Sept. 12 | Contact Sarah Chancellor-Watson,
sarah@scapc.org

YAF-PINTS (Young Adults & Families-Presbyterians
Imbibing in Necessary Theological Study) Wednesdays | 6:45
p.m. | LB, Lakeside | Contact: Bria Rault, bria@scapc.org

LB - Land Building | FFH - Frampton Fellowship Hall

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