



# ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

August 21, 2022 | 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

## GATHERING

### •WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS VOLUNTARY

Chris Currie

### •\*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Steven Blackmon, organ

8:30 Paul Curry | 10:30 Dawn Talbot

God of creation, shaper of seas and stars and planets and people,

**Give us grateful hearts.**

God of Immanuel, born in Bethlehem and risking vulnerability to become one of us,

**Make us mindful of the needs of others.**

God of the untamed Spirit, confounding our expectations and meeting us where we least expect to find you,

**Give us unfettered hope.**

Triune God, you have faithfully led us out of the past; you always go ahead of us, and you are fully in our present.

**Tune our hearts to sing your praise.**

### •\*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord our God, with each passing day and hour, you make your pilgrimage with us. For those entering a new grade or school or a new chapter in these days, help us to see your handiwork and fellowship as you make your circuit with us. On the city street, in the shop floor room, at the office desk, in home and hearth, in classroom and city park, to the noise of drills blasting, to the sound of children asking, tread among us this day and lead us home; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### •†\*HYMN 800

"Sometimes a Light Surprises"

SALLEY GARDENS

### •CALL TO CONFESSION

### •PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**O Lord our God, as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, you come among us and dwell in our midst to share our humanity. Come among us now, we pray. Where there is apathy in us, kindle the flame of your love. Where there is deceit, confront every lie with your truth. Where there is hopelessness in us, reveal deep wells of compassion and renew us. Where we hesitate to serve you, make us restless until we see change, and where we find joy, help us to spread it to others.**

**By the power of your Spirit, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and give us courage to stand with those on the edge and to be used by your Spirit to reflect your new community of hope; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

### SILENT REFLECTION

### KYRIE

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

Blackmon

### •ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

Psalms 103:1-13

### †MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Katie Brendler

### •SECOND READING

Luke 13:10-17

### •SERMON

"Sabbath Joy"

Chris Currie

### •\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "The Apostles' Creed" (*Hymnal, p.35*)

### •\*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

### PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER (*Hymnal, p.35*)

### •THE OFFERING

Offertory

"How Can I Keep from Singing?"

arr. Matthew Culloton

*My life flows on in endless song above earth's lamentation. I hear the real, though far off hymn that hails a new creation.*

*Through all the tumult and the strife, I hear that music ringing. It sounds an echo in my soul; How can I keep from singing?*

*No storm can shake my inmost calm while to the rock I'm clinging. Since love is Lord of heaven and earth; How can I keep from singing?*

*What tho' the tempest round me roar, I hear the truth, it liveth. What tho' the darkness round me close, songs in the night it giveth.*

The Chancel Choir

\*Doxology, Hymn 606

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDRETH

\*Prayer of Dedication

### •SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (*8:30 service only*)

## SENDING

### •\*HYMN 393

"O Day of Rest and Gladness"

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### •\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

"An Irish Blessing"

Blackmon

### •\*VOLUNTARY

•8:30 service | \*Please stand as you are able | †Latecomers seated  
Large print bulletins are available. Please see an usher.

## IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

TODAY'S USHERS for the 8:30 service are Mayson Buffington and Wesley Simon; and for the 10:30 service are Buddy and Luanna Cambas (co-chairs), Stephanie Currie, Danny Franklin, Derrick Heyl, Harper Johnson, Bebe Marchal, Kate Prechter, and Nicholas White.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Dorothy Marchal by Mamsie and John Manard, Sue and Hank Marchal, Bebe and Billy Marchal, and Jane Wilkinson.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Our next SCAPC 101 will be held next Sunday, August 28, from 9:30-10:15 a.m. in the second floor conference room. This class is designed as an orientation for new members and visitors interested in joining our church...or anyone wishing to learn more about SCAPC! We will talk about our basic beliefs as Presbyterians, the history of SCAPC, and how you can get involved in its ministries. It is also a great way to get to know new and longstanding members alike!

SUNDAY SCHOOL for all children, youth, and adults will begin on September 11. During 10:30 worship that morning, all Sunday School teachers will be commissioned for service in the ministry of spiritual formation.

We are thrilled to welcome our new OPERATIONS MANAGER, APRIL WEISER! April brings with her over a decade of experience as an architect in New Orleans. As a member of the SCAPC congregation and an Elder, she has served in many volunteer leadership positions, including chairing the Membership, Leadership Development, and Nominating Committees. She has served as a Sunday School teacher, youth group leader, and in several other roles. She and her husband David have three daughters, Madeline (18), Savannah (14), and Arden (14).



WATER & FOOD DONATIONS: Okra Abbey, one of SCAPC's 20 community ministry partners, serves as a community garden and a sacred space for the residents of the Pigeon Town neighborhood. They are currently stocking their community fridge and seeking donations. Sign up at [scapc.org/community-ministries](http://scapc.org/community-ministries) for a day to bring a case of water to the Abbey, located at the corner of Hickory and Monroe Streets. You can also drop off to the Abbey fresh produce in good condition, prepared meals, snacks, drinks, and canned goods (no raw meat please). Perishable food must be labeled with an expiration date. To learn more about Okra Abbey, visit [okraabbey.com](http://okraabbey.com).

## FAMILY MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S MESSAGES resume today during the 10:30 a.m. service. Children first grade and younger are invited to join the sitters after the message on the nursery playground. Parents will pick up their children on the playground after the service.

PRAYGROUND FOR FAMILIES DURING WORSHIP: While people of all ages are welcome and encouraged to remain in the Sanctuary for worship, our "Prayground" in Frampton Fellowship Hall provides an alternative child-friendly space for families to worship together. The service is projected to a large screen and there are activities for children to enjoy.

THE NURSERY is open each Sunday from 8:15 a.m.-12:00 p.m. for children three-years-old and younger. Children may be brought to the corner classroom on the first floor where they will be cared for by our dedicated staff.

PARENTS ON THE PLAYGROUND: All families are invited to the playground following worship each Sunday for 30 minutes to enjoy snacks and fellowship.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

FANTASY FOOTBALL DRAFT: Sunday, August 28 | 6-8 p.m., Youth Room

Interested in playing fantasy football with us this year? Youth of all ages are welcome! This year we are doing a live draft with pizza. Sign up via the ESPN link at [scapc.org/youth](http://scapc.org/youth). (You don't have to show up to the draft in person to play.)

NEW STUDENT "WELCOME WEDNESDAY" AT CITY PUTT: Wednesday, August 31 | 6-8 p.m.

For students of any age who are interested in being a part of our program for the first time, this off-site event is meant to build some new relationships so you can go into youth events with friends already made!

WELCOME BACK POOL PARTY: Sunday, September 11 | 5-7 p.m., 586 Walnut Street

All our youth, as well as parents and siblings, are invited to the Talbot house to celebrate the start of youth group.

PARENT COCKTAIL PARTY: Thursday, September 15 | 6-7:30 p.m., Land Building

This will be a chance for our parents to enjoy some fellowship time and learn more about the semester to come.

## RECONNECT WITH THE CORNER BLOCK PARTY

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