



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Morning Worship | Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost
September 4, 2022 | 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

GATHERING

•WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
VOLUNTARY

Chris Currie

Steven Blackmon, organ

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

8:30 Hans Jonassen | 10:30 Sheila Schwartzmann

For the day before us,

Thanks be to God.

For the rest behind us,

Thanks be to God.

For a God who never sleeps so that we can,

Thanks be to God.

For a God who reworks us like a potter reworks clay,

Thanks be to God.

Before this day is done,

May our lips and our lives praise God's holy name.

•*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord our God, you have called us all in many and varied ways to a life of labor and you look with favor on work done well and faithfully. Receive our thanksgiving this day for the productivity of this land, for the creations of the kitchen, for goods manufactured honestly and fairly, and for all the fruits of our labors. Keep us ever mindful of the gifts of leisure as well as labor, of giving as well as getting, of compassion as well as efficiency and output. In worship together, at font and table, receive the fullness of our lives and reshape us by the values of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

•†*HYMN 432

"How Clear Is Our Vocation, Lord"

REPTON

•CALL TO CONFESSION

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Good and gracious God, you give us the gift of confessing our sins, the marvelous promise of your forgiveness and mercy, and the restoration and reconciliation of our lives in love. We acknowledge that all too often we neglect to recognize, and own, our own rebellion against you, and our unconcern over our hurts of others. Forgive us for our active rebellion and our willful neglect. By the power of your Spirit, help us, more and more, to live wholesomely as responsive persons in our relationships with you, with others, and with ourselves, 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.*)

Jeremiah 18:1-11

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Dr. Russell Steele

•SECOND READING

Luke 14:25-35

•SERMON

"No Prep Necessary"

Chris Currie

•*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: "The Nicene Creed"

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

•*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

•THE OFFERING

Offertory

"Amazing Grace"

arr. Todd

The Chancel Choir

•SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving and The Lord's Prayer (Hymnal, page 35)

Words of Institution

Communion of the People

Prayer after Communion

(cont.)

SENDING

•*HYMN 729

“Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

I WANT TO BE A CHRISTIAN

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“An Irish Blessing”

Blackmon

•*VOLUNTARY

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 Irene and Romeal Theriot, Donald Theriot, and Joy Theriot David, by Cutler and Christie Theriot Woodfin.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGES: Children first grade and younger are invited to join the sitters on the nursery playground following the Children's Message in the 10:30 service. Parents should pick up their children on the playground after the service.

Our “PRAYGROUND” in Frampton Fellowship Hall provides an alternative child-friendly space for families to worship together should they wish. The service is projected to a large screen and there are activities for children to enjoy. Parents must remain with their children.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL AGES BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY

Classes for all ages meet 9:30 - 10:15 a.m. beginning September 11. Class details can be found at scapc.org/sunday-school.

ADULT CLASSES:

A History of SCAPC: led by Michael O'Keefe | September 11 only | Frampton Fellowship Hall

Presbyterians & Southern Religion: led by Selley Series Speaker John Kuykendall | September 18 only | Frampton Fellowship Hall

Exploring the Book of Confessions: led by Geoff Snodgrass, John Dunlap, Larry Hamric, and Dawn Talbot

September 25-November 6 | Land Building & Zoom

Parenting in the Pew Workshop: September 25 only | Chapel

Parenting Podcast Class: starting October 2 | 2nd floor conference room

RECONNECT WITH THE CORNER BLOCK PARTY

A CHURCHWIDE CELEBRATION!

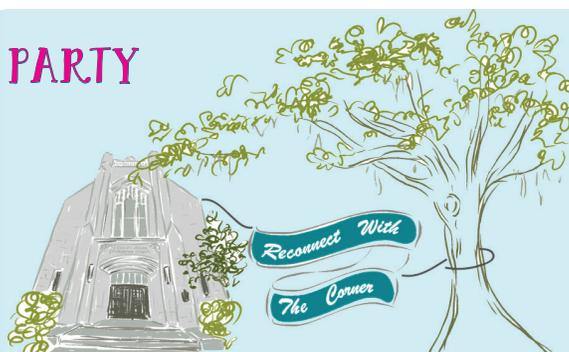
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11 FOLLOWING 10:30 WORSHIP

LAND BUILDING LAWN & BENJAMIN STREET

ACTIVITY BOOTHS · SPACEWALK · HOT DOGS · POPCORN

SNOWBALLS · MUSIC BY SPRING CHAMELEON

FESTIVE, CASUAL ATTIRE



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help make our “Reconnect with the Corner Block Party” a success by SIGNING UP TO BRING A SNACK (chips, sandwiches, desserts) at scapc.org. Items may be dropped off this Friday from 9 a.m.– 4:30 p.m. or Sunday morning by 9:30 a.m.

STAFF MILESTONES: Friday, September 2 marked **Steven Blackmon's** 36th year at SCAPC as Director of Music! We thank him for the MANY talents he has dedicated to our church, having achieved not only excellence in our music program but in the technology that furthers our ministries. And today marks **Chris Currie's** first anniversary as our Senior Pastor! We thank him for an outstanding year of leadership, ministering to our congregation through times of blessings and challenge!

GIVE A CHILDREN'S MESSAGE DURING WORSHIP! Would you like to serve as a Children's Message presenter during 10:30 worship services? We will provide you with a script for a 2-3 minute message which you can then adapt to your liking. If interested, please contact Katie Brendler, katie@scapc.org.

The CBD GROUP will resume meeting this Wednesday, September 7, at 8 a.m. We meet weekly for an hour at Bittersweet Confections, located at 725 Magazine Street in the CBD. We will begin studying a new book entitled *Moral Man and Immoral Society: A Study in Ethics and Politics*, by the late Reinhold Niebuhr. New participants in this group are welcomed.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT resumes on September 14 with a **PASTOR-LED STUDY** on the Gospel of Mark at 5:15 p.m. (Learning Center, 2nd floor), dinner at 6 p.m. in Frampton Fellowship Hall, and **BROADWAY NIGHT** performed by the Chancel Choir and soloists at 6:30! Dinner reservations will open this Thursday at scapc.org/wno.

“AT THE RIVER” FILM VIEWING & CONVERSATION: On Sunday, September 18, the film “At the River: A Memoir of Struggle and Grace in the Segregated South” will be shown in Frampton Fellowship Hall at 5 p.m., followed by refreshments and conversation with Film Director Carolyn Crowder and SCAPC's 2022 Selley Series Speaker John Kuykendall who is featured in the film. For details and to view the film trailer, visit scapc.org/selley.

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