



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 23, 2022 | Third Sunday after Epiphany
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

WELCOME TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

VOLUNTARY

Steven Blackmon

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive, from 1 Corinthians 13:1-13*)

Sheila Schwartzmann

If we speak in tongues of mortals and angels, but do not have love,

We are nothing more than noisy gongs and clanging cymbals.

If we have prophetic powers and are the most successful and accomplished people in the world, but do not have love,

We are nothing.

If we are the most sacrificial disciples and give away everything we have, but do not have love,

We gain nothing.

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude.

Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never ends.

**Created because of God's love, redeemed by Christ's love, and called to love through the Holy Spirit,
let us worship God.**

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord our God, we love because you first loved us in Jesus Christ. Surround us with your loving presence again this day.

Make this time and space a holy gathering, an arena of your grace, a place where we are accepted and made whole by the love of Jesus Christ, and made ready to serve you and reflect your grace in this world. Amen.

•†*HYMN 370

"This Is My Father's World"

TERRA BEATA

•CALL TO CONFESSION

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Good and gracious God, we confess turning away from you in the ways we wound our lives, the lives of others, and the life of the world. Forgive us for wallowing in our resentment, remaining captive to our anger, and measuring justice based on personal vendettas.

O Lord our God, in your heart is pure love and justice. Show us this day whom we must love and what we should challenge or change in order that your will might be done. Increase our hope, dispel our apathy, inspire our imagination, and deepen our commitment until we become the signs of your kingdom for which we pray; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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.*)

Nehemiah 8:1-10

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Richard Hunter Yancey

Presentation

Jennifer Steck, Elder

Profession of Faith and The Apostles' Creed (*Hymnal, p. 35*)

Emma Edgecombe, Jr. Baptism Buddy

Prayer of Thanksgiving Over the Water

Baptism

Welcome

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Kelley Mackenroth

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

Luke 4:14-21

•SERMON

"How to Change the World"

Chris Currie

•*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 Anthem

"Be Thou My Vision"

Parker

The Chancel Choir Chamber Singers

*Doxology, Hymn 606

"Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

OLD HUNDREDETH

*Prayer of Dedication

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

SENDING

•*HYMN 722

"Lord, Speak to Me That I May Speak"

CANONBURY

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

"An Irish Blessing"

Willcox

•*VOLUNTARY

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Camp, Mr. and Mrs. W.W. Stribling, and Mr. James W. Stribling by Paige Morrison and Family.



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM
is being administered today to
RICHARD HUNTER YANCEY,
son of Kristie and Hunter Yancey,
grandson of Jackie and Richard Yancey.

TODAY'S USHERS for the 8:30 service are Mayson Buffington, Miriam Hollar, Thomas Schulingkamp, and Wesley Simon. The ushers for the 10:30 service are David Mize (captain), Laura Avery, Leigh Ferguson, John Geiser, Deanna McLendon, and Kelley and Laura McWhirter.

Begins today! WORSHIP WORKSHOP FOR 1ST-2ND GRADERS: Starting February 13, both first and second graders will remain in the worship service with their families after the Children's Message to continue their faith journey with Jesus Christ. To help with this new experience, we are offering Worship Workshop 101 on **January 23, 30 and February 6** during the 10:30 service in Fellowship Hall. The workshop is for students AND PARENTS. We request that all participants attend all three classes as we will be going through aspects of the worship service, sacraments, and how to stay actively involved in worship.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:30-10:15 AM

ADULT CLASSES:

"First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom of God", January 9-February 20 | Land Building Lakeside Room and Zoom
First Light is a study of the historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God told on location throughout Galilee and Jerusalem. Visit scapc.org/sunday-school for previous class recordings.

"Marriage Podcast for Smart People", January 9-May 15 | 2nd floor conference room (in-person only)
The Marriage Podcast for Smart People is designed to help busy couples move away from conflict and unhappiness to build a marriage they will love today and treasure for a lifetime. In every episode, co-hosts Caleb and Verlynda Simonyi-Gindele examine secular research and integrate it with a Christian worldview. Visit scapc.org/sunday-school for links to weekly episodes.

YOUTH & CHILDREN: 6th-12th graders meet in the Youth Room on the 3rd floor as well as virtually on Instagram (@SCAPC_Youth). Children ages 2-5th grade are divided into age groups in different locations which are posted at the State Street entrance. The nursery is open from 8:15-11:45 a.m. for children ages 0-3 in the Bear Classroom which is the corner classroom on the first floor.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS!

WEDNESDAY NIGHT STUDY: "Father Abraham's Many Children: The Bible in a World of Religious Difference" is a pastor-led study that will look at the stories of Cain, Ishmael, and Esau through Tyler Mayfield's study and consider the theological implications for the variety of participants in the biblical narrative and God's loving purposes for all humanity. Class will meet weekly in the Chapel at 5:15 p.m. beginning January 26. WNO-To-Go will follow!

WNO-TO-GO! Our Wednesday Night Out dinners will resume on Wednesday, January 26. At this time, dinners will be served in to-go boxes (menu TBA!) in Fellowship Hall from 6:00-6:30, and all are invited to eat on the Land Building lawn together. Please bring your own chairs or blanket! Our theme is COLLEGE NIGHT, so show your school spirit by wearing your team colors. Chefs Bonnie and Jim Hobden will prepare a delicious menu of chicken piccata, angel hair pasta, grilled broccoli, tossed green salad, mixed fruit, chocolate cake, and chicken nuggets for the kids. The cost is \$10/adult, \$5/child under 12, or \$25/family. Online reservations are required at scapc.org/wno by Wednesday at noon.

WNO KING CAKE TASTING: Our February 2 WNO will center on our annual King Cake Tasting! If you would like to contribute a king cake, please go to scapc.org/wno to sign up. To-go dinners will be served from Fellowship Hall and the king cakes will be served at the Land Building from 6:00-6:30.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Barbara Montgomery and her family on the death of her husband, **Charles Montgomery**, who died on January 13. A memorial service was held in the Sanctuary on Friday. We also extend our sympathy to Ellen Hardin and her family on the death of her mother, **Elizabeth Lutz**, who died on January 14; as well as to Laura Malone and her family on the death of her father, **John David Malone**, who died on January 16.

A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held for SCAPC member Catherine Serou this Friday, January 28 at 5 p.m. in the Chapel of Shoen & Sons Funeral Home, 3827 Canal Street, NOLA 70119. A visitation will be held beforehand at 4 p.m.

SCAPC is seeking to hire several organized and detail-oriented WEDDING COORDINATORS to work with the Assistant to the Senior Pastor to assist couples and their families in coordinating and executing successful weddings. This position is flexible to work with each coordinator's schedule. Training for this position will be provided. Please contact Lynn Hoffman for information, lynn@scapc.org

WELCOME, PERCY! Please join us in welcoming our new sexton, Percy Woods! Percy comes to us from Ramelli Waste Connections. He is a native New Orleanian who enjoys spending time with his family, as he and his wife have four children ranging from 2-18 years old. We are excited to have Percy on board!



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