



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 1, 2022 | Third Sunday of Easter
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

•WELCOME TO WORSHIP AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
VOLUNTARY

Sarah Chancellor-Watson
Steven B. Blackmon, organ

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive, from Psalm 30*)

Dave White (8:30) | Zach Christiansen (10:30)

O Lord our God, we cried to you for help and you have healed us.

Sing praises to the Lord, O you his faithful ones and give thanks to his holy name.

Weeping may linger for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

You have brought up our souls from Sheol and restored us to life.

You have turned our mourning into dancing; you have taken off our sackcloths and clothed us with joy.

Therefore, our souls praise you and we cannot be silent.

O Lord our God, we will give thanks to you forever.

•*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Gracious God, you have made known the risen Christ in the taste of the bread he broke, the sound of his voice, the imprint of his wounds, the sight of his face, and the smell of breakfast cooking on the beach. Show us through all our senses the new life Christ brings to us this day and lead us by your Spirit to welcome him with all our being. Amen.

•†*HYMN 526

“Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ”

LINSTEAD

•CALL TO CONFESSION

Sin and shame confuse us and lead us astray. The risen Christ welcomes us with redeeming love. Let us confess our sins to God.

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn. We are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace. We despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

KYRIE

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

Blackmon

•ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Christ transforms. Christ redeems and renews. Through Christ's death and resurrection, we are a new creation, ready to sing God's glory and testify to God's grace. In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven. Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

Revelation 5:11-14

† MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Katie Brendler

•SECOND READING

John 21:1-19

•SERMON

“Discipleship Revisited”

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

•*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*unison, from “The Scots Confession”*)

We undoubtedly believe, since it was impossible that the sorrows of death should retain in bondage the Author of life, that our Lord Jesus crucified, dead, and buried, who descended into hell, did rise again for our justification, and the destruction of him who was the author of death, and brought life again to us who were subject to death and its bondage. We know that his resurrection was confirmed by the testimony of his enemies, and by the resurrection of the dead, whose sepulchres did open, and they did rise and appear to many within the city of Jerusalem. It was also confirmed by the testimony of his angels, and by the senses and judgment of his apostles and of others, who had conversation, and did eat and drink with him after his resurrection.

•*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581

“Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

•THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

“This Joyful Eastertide”

Owens

*This joyful Eastertide, away with sin and sorrow! My love, the crucified, hath sprung to life this morrow.
Had Christ, that once was slain, ne'er burst his three-day prison, our faith had been in vain: But now hath Christ arisen.
My flesh in hope shall rest, and for a season slumber: Till trump from east to west shall wake the dead in number.
Death's flood hath lost his chill, since Jesus crossed the river: Lover of souls, from ill my passing soul deliver.*

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

SENDING

•*HYMN 157

“I Danced in the Morning”

LORD OF THE DANCE

•SCAPC MINISTRY MATCH

Michele Murphy

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“A Scottis Blyssing”

Blackmon/Willcox

•*VOLUNTARY

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Captain James William McCarter, Jr, USMC and his children Sean William McCarter and Michael Tyler, and Jean Elizabeth McGee and Kevin McGee by the Harold Curtis Ball Family.

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 Randy Evans, Jackie Derks, Carro Gardner, Rick Grubb, Mimi Koch, and Russell Steele.

TODAY'S COMMUNION SERVERS for the 10:30 service are Cindy Bush, Zach Christiansen, Lynn Hoffman, and David Grissett.

Today we are introducing our SCAPC MINISTRY MATCH survey designed to help you discover serving opportunities aligned to your gifts and interests. See your results immediately. Share your results with one another. Have fun discovering ways you're wired to service! To take the survey, scan the code at right or go to the link on our homepage, scapc.org.



SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:30-10:15 AM | SCAPC.ORG/SUNDAY-SCHOOL

ADULTS:

"Kierkegaard's Fear & Trembling" April 24-May 8 | Land Building Lakeside Room and Zoom

Led by Stewart Peck, this class explores Soren Kierkegaard's *Fear and Trembling*, which involves the biblical story of the Knight of Faith, Abraham, and the sacrifice of Isaac. Abraham's existential dilemma arose from being asked to sacrifice his son in obedience to God.

"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.

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 on the first floor.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

OUR PASTOR-LED STUDY meets at 5:15 p.m. in the Learning Center (2nd floor). We are examining the book *Lies My Preacher Told me: An Honest Look at the Old Testament* by Brent A. Strawn. We discuss mistruths we may have come to believe about the Old Testament. Are we reading mail intended for someone else? Isn't the Old Testament a boring history book that is mean, violent, irrelevant, and no longer applicable? Come find out! Books are available at class.

Join us for a TALENT SHOW AND DINNER at 6:00 p.m. in Frampton Fellowship Hall. We are looking for musicians, comedians, vocalists etc. IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PERFORM, please email Meg Gammage at maxreporters@gmail.com. We have a Mexican-theme menu including chicken enchilada casserole, Mexican rice and black beans, avocado and cilantro salads, and fruit. The cost is \$10/adult, \$5/child under 12, or \$25/family. Reserve your spots at scapc.org/wno by Tuesday at noon. To-go meals are available as well.

On May 11, we will hold a MOTHER'S DAY CAKE WALK. If you would like to contribute a cake, please email Meg Gammage at maxreporters@gmail.com.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BRINGING THE LIGHT INITIATIVE ACTION GROUP: A group was formed over a year ago by several SCAPC members who have attended multiple workshops at the St. Charles Center for Faith+Action, an interfaith group sponsored by the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church. The group explores important issues about social justice, racial equity, and our responsibilities as people of faith and in particular as members of SCAPC. We are continuing this journey of learning and living into God's in-breaking kingdom. If you are interested in participating in such discussions, please email Miriam Hollar at miriam.hollar@gmail.com.

PRESBYTERIAN FOUNDATION OF LOUISIANA: GIVE NOLA DAY! This Tuesday, May 3, the Presbyterian Foundation of Louisiana will once again participate in GiveNOLA Day. The Foundation awards grants and scholarships to help the needy in the areas of education, medical care, and the necessities of life. In particular, funds are dispersed from the Margaret "Nell" Johnston Memorial Fund, named in memory of our beloved SCAPC member who served as the Foundation's president. To contribute to the Foundation on GiveNOLA Day, go to givenola.org and enter "Presbyterian Foundation" in the "Find Your Cause" field.

This Saturday, May 7, YOUNG ADULTS AND FAMILIES (YAF) will spend the morning volunteering with Crescent City Café. We will serve from 7-10:30 a.m. at Rayne Memorial UMC, 3900 St. Charles Avenue. If you would like to volunteer, please email Catherine Karas at catherine@scapc.org.

