



# ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 15, 2022 | Fifth Sunday of Easter  
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

## GATHERING

- WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS VOLUNTARY
- \*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

Sarah Chancellor-Watson  
Steven B. Blackmon, organ  
Lynn Hoffman

The Creator of heaven and earth encircles us, supports us, and inspires us.

**Make us your joyful creatures, O God.**

The blessings of the Son of God, wine and water, bread and stories, feed us and remind us to whom we belong.

**Make us your faithful disciples, O God.**

The power of the Spirit, the wind, the fire, the still small voice, comfort us and disturb us,

**Send us to others with your gospel, O God.**

God of creation and breath of the universe, shaper of seas and stars,

**Set us free to offer you our worship and praise.**

- \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Good and gracious God, the earth is yours and all that's in it, this world and all those who live in it. As we gather together for worship this day, we ask that you work in our lives that all who come here know we are made in your image; all who sit here are befriended by Christ; and all who leave here are empowered by the Holy Spirit. Amen.

- † \*HYMN 26

"Earth and All Stars!"

EARTH AND ALL STARS

- CALL TO CONFESSION

- PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**O Lord our God, in the glory of earth and sea and stars, in the kaleidoscope of color and shade and shapeliness, in the patterns of humor and tenderness and touch, we rejoice in your goodness and give thanks for your generosity.**

**Forgive us when we forget the gift in our every breath. Forgive us for taking for granted the care that sustains our every moment. Forgive us for resisting the grace that can transform our every day.**

**By the power of the Holy Spirit, set us free from the prison of grudging hearts, mean desires, and resentful spirits. Give us the courage to act with justice and generosity, and draw us into a love that does not calculate or keep scores; 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.*)

Psalm 148

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Andrew Edward Tatum (8:30) | Hudson Scott Rodgers (10:30)

Presentation

Catherine Karas, Presenting Elder (8:30) | Sophie Frankowski, Presenting Elder (10:30)

Affirmation of Faith "The Apostles' Creed" (*Hymnal, p. 35*)

Liam Carlisle, Junior Baptism Buddy (10:30)

Questions to Parents

Baptism

Presentation and Prayer

† MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Teacher Appreciation

- SECOND READING

Revelation 21:1-6

- SERMON

"A New Thing"

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

"With These Waters"

Grammann

Jodi McWilliams, soprano; 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 269

"Lead On, O King Eternal!"

LANCASHIRE

- \*CHARGE AND BLESSING

- \*CHORAL RESPONSE

"A Scottis Blyssing"

Blackmon/Willcox

## IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

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.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sutter and Thomas M. Sutter, Jr., by Charlotte Sutter Hoggatt.

TEACHER APPRECIATION: The Spiritual Formation Committee would like to thank the volunteers who have given generously of their time and talents to lead classes, mentor students, engage adults, attend workshops and retreat and help share the stories of Jesus. Please thank those around you who have served. To show our appreciation, volunteers and their families are invited to join us after service today at NOLA Brewing for lunch.

A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will be held immediately following today's 10:30 a.m. service for the purpose of electing the Elder Class of 2025. All members are strongly encouraged to attend.



**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
is being administered at the 8:30 service to  
**ANDREW EDWARD TATUM.**



**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM**  
is being administered at the 10:30 service to  
**HUDSON SCOTT RODGERS,**  
son of Kaitlin and James Rodgers.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES 9:30-10:15 AM

### ADULTS:

**Special Class Today:** "Against the Grain: Pascal, Kierkegaard, and Simone Weil" Led by Chris Currie | Learning Center  
Sometimes the Christian life goes against the grain of the social graces of our culture, the cultural norms of our larger world, and even the accepted practices of the institutional church. With the help of Diogenes Allen's book, *The Three Outsiders*, we will look at the lives of Blaise Pascal, Soren Kierkegaard, and Simone Weil, and how these figures from the 17th, 18th, and 19th centuries help us rediscover the strangeness of the Christian faith in the 21st century. *Recording will be posted at [scapc.org/sunday-school](https://scapc.org/sunday-school) later this week.*

**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.

## A CONVERSATION WITH BOB GAMBLE, UKRAINE MISSIONARY SUNDAY, MAY 22 | 9:15 AM | FRAMPTON FELLOWSHIP HALL

Due to the Russian invasion of Ukraine and the ongoing humanitarian crisis there, and as refugees seek shelter in Europe, we want to be supportive of these efforts in and through this congregation and beyond. Our church has an ongoing partnership with Bob Gamble, Executive Director of This Child Here, an organization that supports vulnerable youth and children in Ukraine. See our Ukraine web page ([scapc.org/ukraine](https://scapc.org/ukraine)) for a photo journey of This Child Here's outreach. Should you wish to make a gift, you will find a link to Give2Ukraine's donation page there. **To pose a question for Bob Gamble** for his SCAPC visit via video next Sunday, email Sarah Chancellor-Watson at [sarah@scapc.org](mailto:sarah@scapc.org).



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

BROADWAY NIGHT: We close out the Wednesday Night Out program year this week with our annual Broadway Night! Enjoy an NYC Italian-style dinner at 6:00 and be entertained by our Chancel Choir and soloists at 6:30 in Frampton Fellowship Hall. Dinner reservations ([scapc.org/wno](https://scapc.org/wno)) will close **tomorrow at noon** and are strictly required. Those wishing to only watch Broadway Night (without eating dinner) may watch from seats, not at tables, without reservations.

We encourage all of you to fill out the 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 by opening your phone's camera app and clicking the link that pops up. (You do not need to take a photo, just hover over the image.) You can also find the link on our homepage, [scapc.org](https://scapc.org).



The SPIRITUALLY HUNGRY WOMEN'S GROUP is beginning a new study this week! The topic is JOY. Discussions will be based on *The Book of Joy* by His Holiness the Dalai Lama, Archbishop Desmond Tutu, with Douglas Abrams. Newcomers are welcome. Meetings are held in the Land Building on Wednesdays from 12:30 to 1:45 p.m. There is also a Zoom option for those who cannot attend in person. For more information or to have your name included on the mailing list, contact Beth Poe at [bethpoe@tulane.edu](mailto:bethpoe@tulane.edu).

Our next STAFF SPOTLIGHT is on Miriam Hollar, Parish Associate for Pastoral Care. You can read about Miriam in our weekly "Quatrefoil" e-newsletter. Join our email list at [scapc.org](https://scapc.org) or by texting "SCAPC" to 22828.



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