



## GATHERING

### •GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS VOLUNTARY

Chris Currie  
Steven Blackmon, organ  
Ashley Brown

### •\*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)

At the end of a journey and at the beginning of this week,

**Gather us together, tune our hearts to sing your praise, use our lives to fill others.**

Some of us who gather here are new and others have only been here for a short time,

**Gather us together, tune our hearts to sing your praise, use our lives to fill others.**

Some of us here have seen it all and others are still searching,

**Gather us together, tune our hearts to sing your praise, use our lives to fill others.**

Wherever we have been, wherever we have come from, whatever burdens we need to lay down, whatever challenges we need to take up,

**Gather us together, tune our hearts to sing your praise, use our lives to fill others.**

### \*PRAYER OF THE DAY

In light of your love, O Lord our God, we do not come empty handed to worship. We acknowledge the many things on our minds and the concerns we live with and carry with us. As we worship together, free us from the grip of worry, make us ever mindful of the needs of others, enable each one of us to put the gifts you have given us to good use in this world, and bless our voices to sing your praises; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### •†\*HYMN 15

“All Creatures of Our God and King”

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

### •CALL TO CONFESSION

### •PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

**For the right roads we avoided traveling and the kindly words we refused to share, for the false gods who received our worship and the true selves we have starved of love, O God, in your mercy, forgive us.**

**For the hidden hurts we have held too tightly and for the promises which we never kept; for the careless use of our time and money and the lame excuses we should never have made, Christ our Savior, by your grace, forgive us.**

**For all we should be and all we can amend; for all you have in store for us and all you may demand of us, for the life of the world and the love of its people, Spirit of God, renew us, prepare us, and commit us. Amen.**

### SILENT REFLECTION

### KYRIE

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

Blackmon

### •ASSURANCE OF PARDON

## THE WORD

### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

Psalms 133

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Eleanore James Vorhoff

Presentation

Bob Vorhoff, Presenting Elder

Affirmation of Faith “The Apostles’ Creed” (*unison, Hymnal p. 35*)

Avery Danner, Junior Baptism Buddy

Questions to Parents

Baptism

Presentation and Prayer

### †MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Katie Brendler

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

Genesis 45:1-15

### •SERMON

“A Dish Best Served...”

Chris Currie

### •\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH “The Apostles’ Creed” (*8:30 service only*)

### •\*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581

“Glory Be to the Father”

GLORIA PATRI

### INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD’S PRAYER (*unison, Hymnal p. 35*)

### •THE OFFERING

Offertory

“Morning Trumpet”

arr., Parker and Shaw

Jacob Huffty, baritone; Chancel Choir

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 774

“There Is Now a New Creation”

STUTT GART

### •\*CHARGE AND BLESSING

### \*CHORAL RESPONSE

“The Irish Blessing”

Blackmon

### •\*VOLUNTARY

## IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

THE USHERS for the 8:30 service today are Mayson Buffington and Wesley Simon; and for the 10:30 service are Stephanie Currie, Danny Franklin, Derrick Heyl, Harper Johnson, Bebe Marchal, Wesley Simon, and Nicholas White.

THE COMMUNION SERVERS for the 8:30 service are Ashley Brown and Beth Poe.

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

THE WHITE ROSES in the Sanctuary are placed in honor of the births of Joan Rhoades Holbrook and Olson Tune Holbrook, children of Cheney and Henry Holbrook and grandchildren of Carro and Billy Gardner, who were born on July 26; as well as Margot Elise Henry, daughter of Allison and Mike Henry, who was born on August 9.



THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM  
is being administered today to  
ELEANORE JAMES VORHOFF  
daughter of Jessica and James Vorhoff,  
granddaughter of Bob Vorhoff.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for DOUGHNUTS following both services this morning in Frampton Fellowship Hall!

SCAPC'S PHOTOGRAPHIC TOUR OF CUBA: SCAPC members returned to Cuba this past spring after several cancelled trips due to the pandemic. Following the 8:30 service this morning, you can take a photographic tour of the work we have done with our sister churches and water projects, and learn how the Cuban people are faring in their current challenging environment. The presentation will be led by Cindy Bush at 9:30 a.m. in Frampton Fellowship Hall.

LET US HEAR FROM YOU TODAY: The Strategic Planning Committee is holding a general listening session for the congregation today at noon in the Sanctuary and all are invited to attend. Thoughts to consider in advance are: Knowing that you can spend Sunday morning in a variety of ways, what motivates you to attend SCAPC? What aspects of church life at SCAPC are most meaningful to you? What makes people feel seen and belong at SCAPC? Where do you want to see this church by 2030? If you are unable to attend today, note that another listening session will be held next Sunday at 9:30 a.m. in the Land Building Riverside Room, as well as at Wednesday Night Out on September 13 with dinner beginning at 6 p.m. in Frampton Fellowship Hall. Visit [scapc.org/wno](http://scapc.org/wno) for details and dinner reservations.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE IN MAUI: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is working with the Presbytery of the Pacific following the recent fires that killed at least 99 people in Lahaina on the Hawaiian island of Maui and also burned portions of South Maui and the island's Upcountry region. The Red Cross has asked PDA to provide a team of spiritual care providers to assist them in their ongoing response. Visit [pda.pcusa.org](http://pda.pcusa.org) to learn more about PDA's efforts in this region.

ATTENTION, JR. & SR. HIGH STUDENTS: Are you in the 6th-12th grade and interested in getting involved with the SCAPC Youth Group for the first time? Tonight from 3-5 p.m. on the church third floor, you are invited to an afternoon of games and fellowship to get to know your fellow church peers. Additionally, all youth are invited to a POOL PARTY next Sunday, August 27, from 4-6 p.m. at the Talbots' home. Contact Chris Hazlaris ([chrishazlaris@scapc.org](mailto:chrishazlaris@scapc.org)) with any questions.

40/50'S PICKLEBALL SOCIAL: All 40- and 50-somethings are invited to The Exchange Pickleball & Bar (2120 Rousseau St., NOLA 70130) this Friday from 6-8 p.m. for a fun night of pickleball and socializing. All players from beginner to advanced levels are welcome! There will be a pickleball instructor on site to teach new participants the ins and outs of the game. Please RSVP by Tuesday by issuing payment. The cost is \$15 per participant and can be dropped off to the church office or sent via Venmo to @Michele-Murphy-12. The cost includes paddles, instruction, courts, and balls, however does not include food and drinks. There is a cash bar and restaurant there to enjoy if you like. Questions? Email Ashley Brown at [ashley@scapc.org](mailto:ashley@scapc.org).

There will be a SCAPC 101 class next Sunday, August 27 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!

MEN'S RETREAT: All men are invited to attend the SCAPC Men's Retreat on Friday-Saturday, October 6-7 at the home of Parke Ellis in Pass Christian, Mississippi. The theme will be "The Gospel According to Ted Lasso" (though you don't need to have watched the show to enjoy the discussion!) The registration fee of \$100 includes meals and accommodations, and the deadline is September 15. There is an optional golf game on Friday afternoon. Retreat details and registration can be found on the men's retreat page, [scapc.org/mens-retreat](http://scapc.org/mens-retreat).