



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

October 17, 2021 | 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services
Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost | Dedication Sunday | Youth Confirmation

With Each New Day Comes a New Blessing  STEWARDSHIP 2022

GATHERING

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
VOLUNTARY

Sarah Chancellor-Watson
Steven B. Blackmon
Pat Widhalm

- *CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive*)
For the roots and purpose of this community,
Thanks be to God.
For all the communities of which we are a part,
Thanks be to God.
For all we have shared together here,
Thanks be to God.
For all we can now share with others,
Thanks be to God.
For the path that lies before us and our future in God's hands,
Thanks be to God.

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

O Lord our God, in the wonder of this new day we come before you, bringing with us our hopes, our fears, our joys, our anxieties, and our stories. Take us as we are, but do not leave us that way. Make us ready to reflect your grace, to delight in your company, and to seek your truth; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

- †*HYMN 711 "Lord of All Good" TOULON

•CALL TO CONFESSION

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Eternal God, we come before you to confess our sins, not out of fear and dread, but believing that our true selves abide in your grace and can count on your forgiveness. We bring before you what we need no longer to carry. We ask your forgiveness for all the ways we have failed to reflect our true identity in Jesus Christ. Forgive us for doing the things we ought not to have done, for not doing the things we ought to have done, for words of support not spoken, acts of care withheld, and casual indifference to the struggles of others.

Through your Holy Spirit, forgive what we have been, amend what we are, and continue to reshape what we shall be until we more deeply reflect the image of Jesus Christ and the way of your kingdom. 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.*) Isaiah 53:4-12

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN: Reaffirmation of Baptism Sarah Chancellor-Watson

*"The Apostle's Creed" (*unison, Hymnal, p. 35, 10:30 service only*)

•SECOND READING (*response: Thanks be to God.*) Mark 10:35-45

•SERMON "Chasing the Centerfold" Chris Currie

•*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "The Apostle's Creed" (*unison, Hymnal, p. 35, 8:30 service only*)

•*GLORIA PATRI, Hymn 581 "Glory Be to the Father" GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMATION CLASS Sarah Chancellor-Watson and Chris Hazlaris

Prayer of Blessing and The Lord's Prayer (*Hymnal, p. 35*)

•MINUTE FOR STEWARDSHIP: Dedication of Pledges and Offerings Price Lanier and Chris Currie
(*During the Offertory Anthem, at the direction of the minister, members of the congregation will be directed to bring their morning offerings and pledge cards forward and place them in the baskets on the tables. If you have already pledged, you may indicate "already pledged" on the card.*)

•THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem "The Sun Never Says" Forrest

*Even after all this time, the Sun never says to the Earth, "You owe me."
Look what happens with a love like that. It lights the whole sky. - Hafez, 14th century*

The Chancel Choir Chamber Singers; Karen Ray, cello

*Doxology, Hymn 606 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" OLD HUNDREDTH

*Prayer of Dedication

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

SENDING

•*HYMN 320 "The Church of Christ in Every Age" WAREHAM

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE "A Scottis Blyssing" Blackmon/Willcox

•8:30 service | *Please stand as you are able | †Latecomers seated
Large print bulletins are available. Please see an usher.

IN TODAY'S WORSHIP

CONGRATULATIONS are extended to the following confirmands who are reaffirming their Baptismal vows during this morning's 10:30 service: Jill Andrews, Travis Fish, Mary Catherine Flower, Charlie Guy, Kate Knight, Paul Richard, Ronnie Ruiz, Sarah Gibbs Smallpage, and Delanie Sundmaker.

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Gerald Derks, Louis L. Frierson, Jr., and Ruth V. and Martin L. Jones by their family: Jackie Derks, Ruthie and Lou Frierson, Judy and Lincoln Paine, Gayle and Martin Jones, and Ann and Denis Milliner.

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 Jeff Young (captain), Richard Seelman, Noah Hardie, Louise Schaefer, Nancy Jane and Charlie Carson.

CHILD-FRIENDLY WORSHIP SPACE: While people of all ages are welcome and encouraged to worship in the Sanctuary, our "Pray Ground" in Frampton Fellowship Hall provides an alternative child-friendly space for families to worship together for the 10:30 service via livestream.

THE NURSERY is open 8:15-11:45 a.m. on Sunday mornings for children ages 0-3.

COFFEE SERVICE: We are pleased to announce that we are now serving coffee and lemonade following the 10:30 service (only). Drinks will be served outside on State Street, weather permitting. Please keep drinks outside.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES, 9:30-10:15, www.scapc.org/sunday-school for details and Zoom links

ADULT CLASSES:

"Pairadocs" - September 19-December 19 | 2nd floor Learning Center (in-person only)

The Pairadocs is a uniquely humorous marriage, parenting, and family podcast by a father-son duo with Ph.D.'s in Clinical Counseling. Join us as we explore the podcast to muse together about faith, family, and culture.

"First Light: Jesus and the Kingdom of God" - October 10-November 21 | Land Building Lakeside Room and Zoom

Why did Jesus go to the tiny, obscure villages around the Sea of Galilee? What were the priorities of Jesus' original message? Why the confrontations in Jerusalem? Why then? Why there? First Light is a study of the historical Jesus and the Kingdom of God told on location throughout Galilee and Jerusalem.

YOUTH: 6th-12th graders meet in the Youth Room on the 3rd floor as well as virtually on Instagram (@SCAPC Youth). To learn more, visit www.scapc.org/youth. **CHILDREN** ages 2 - 5th grade are divided into age groups to study the Old and New Testaments and learn how the Biblical stories relate to their lives today. Locations are posted at the State Street entrance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Judy Gessner and her family on the death of her husband, Leonard E. Gessner Jr., who died on October 8. A service will be held on Friday, October 22 at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary with visitation at 2 p.m. in the Bloomfield Room.

HURRICANE RELIEF: We will continue to collect supplies for hurricane clean-up buckets through next Sunday. For details and a list of supplies from our amazon wish list, go to scapc.org/relief. If you would like to participate in a **SERVICE PROJECT** (debris clearing, gutting, etc.) please join our master list by filling out the form at scapc.org/relief.

WALK-BY-WEDNESDAYS: Each Wednesday, our "Walk-By Wednesday" display is set up from 8:30 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on St Charles Avenue. People of all ages are invited to come by the front of the church for a moment of reflection and engagement. The displays include a Bible verse and obstacle course. The theme for this week is "Called to Teach."

INSTALLATION OF CHRIS CURRIE ON OCTOBER 24! At the 10:30 a.m. service on the 24th we will install Chris Currie as our new Senior Pastor! Rev. Dr. Ted Wardlaw, President of Austin Presbyterian Theological Seminary, will preach and a reception will be held afterwards on the Land Building lawn. Please note that there will be **NO 8:30 SERVICE** that morning.

Mark your calendars for a **HALLOWEEN THEMED "WNO-TO-GO"** on October 27! All ages are welcome to help assemble Hurricane Clean-up Buckets from 5-6 p.m. Meals will be available for pick-up from 5:30-6:15 p.m. Take yours home or enjoy a picnic on the Land Building lawn (BYO blankets, chairs, etc.). The link to order meals will be posted in Tuesday's Quatrefoil e-newsletter. Text "SCAPC" to 22828 to join the Quatrefoil mailing list or sign up at www.scapc.org.

STAFF SPOTLIGHTS

Over the next several weeks, we will be spotlighting each of our church staff members. In appreciation for their dedication to the ministry of this church, we encourage you to thank them for their hard work! We begin with our longest tenured staff member, Steven Blackmon, who has served as Director of Music (and so many more roles) over the last 36 years! Read more about Steven in this Tuesday's Quatrefoil e-newsletter!



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