



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 5, 2020 | Second Sunday After Christmas
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

GREETING

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

VOLUNTARY

Steven B. Blackmon

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive, from Ephesians 1*)

Judith Halverson

Grace to you and peace in this new year.

We will bless God who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing.

In Christ we have obtained an inheritance.

We have been redeemed as God's own people. Praise be to God!

•*PRAYER OF THE DAY

"Love Has Come"

BRING A TORCH

•†*HYMN 110

•CALL TO CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins, for God is gracious and always ready to forgive.

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

God of love and compassion, you have come into the world and yet we have not recognized you. Forgive our lack of insight and open our eyes to see you here and now, that we may receive your grace through Jesus our Christ. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

KYRIE

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

Blackmon

•DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS (*responsive*)

Friends, hear the good news of your salvation: God freely bestows God's grace on us through Jesus Christ. In Christ we receive redemption and forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of the grace that God lavished on us. So be reconciled to God and one another. **Amen.**

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

Ephesians 1:3-14

MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Chris Hazlaris

•SECOND LESSON

John 1:1-18

•SERMON

"Grace Upon Grace"

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

•*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Nicene Creed*

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

•*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

"King Jesus Hath a Garden"

arr. Leavitt

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 only)

SENDING

•*HYMN 132

"Good Christian Friends, Rejoice"

IN DULCI JUBILO

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

"The Irish Blessing"

Blackmon

*VOLUNTARY

SCAPC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Richard W. Freeman by Mr. and Mrs. Philip Woollam.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHAPEL are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Abby Shaw Nalty by Jill, Layne, and M.E. Nalty. We celebrate the day of her birth, January 6th.

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Michelle Slatten who died on December 23. A service was held in Germantown, Tennessee. We also extend sympathy to Julie Graybill on the death of her mother, Elizabeth Graybill Hydrick, who died on December 29. Finally, we extend sympathy to the family and friends of John Martin who died on December 31. Service details will be announced.

8:30 USHERS: Mayson Buffington, Charlie King, Thomas Schulingkamp, and Wesley Simon

10:30 USHERS: Dave Mize (Captain), Laura Avery, Leigh Ferguson, John Geiser, Philip and Judith Luchsinger, Deanna McLendon, Kelley and Laura McWhirter

ACOLYTES: Sadie DuVernay and Owen Heymann

YOUNG ADULTS & FAMILIES (YAF)

Annual King Cake Tasting Party

Sunday, January 12 in the Land Building, 9:20-10:20 AM

Enter the competition by bringing a king cake!

Childcare will be provided.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Classes for all ages meet at 9:30 AM. For details on classes for youth and children, visit www.scapc.org/sunday-school.

Breaking the Code

The Book of Revelation contains passages of great beauty and comfort, as well as passages that strike the casual reader as bizarre, bewildering, and sometimes frightening. How are readers today to discern God's message in this peculiar part of the Bible? This class will provide a trustworthy guide to the rich symbolism of this important biblical book.

January 5-February 9 | 2nd floor conference room | led by Larry Hamric and John Galbraith

BEGINNING JANUARY 12:

Art of Enneagram: A Spiritual Journey Through Type

The Enneagram is a powerful personality tool that can be used as a framework for personal transformation and for improving relationships. In this six-week course, we will discover the spiritual journey for each of the nine Enneagram types. With a deeper understanding of ourselves and others, we will grow in compassion and have greater capacity to create conscious change.

January 12-February 16 | Learning Center | led by Liz Newcomer

YOUTH GROUP RESUMES TONIGHT!

PLEASE NOTE:

Youth Group will still begin at 5 PM but will now end at 7:30 PM rather than 7.



Senior High Small Group will now meet on alternating Tuesday nights, instead of Thursdays, in the 3rd floor Youth Room from 7-8 PM.



Please fill out the 5-minute Youth Survey found at www.scapc.org/youth.



Parents: To sign up to bring dinner for one of our Sunday night Youth Groups, please go to www.scapc.org/youth.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT RESUMES JANUARY 8

Entergy: Clean Energy in the New Year

(Weekly Bible Study will resume January 15)

Supper | 6 PM | Frampton Fellowship Hall

YAF PINTS 6:45 PM | Land Building

Childcare is available 6:00-8:30 PM

www.scapc.org/wno for supper reservations

January 15 Program:

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

SMALL GROUPS

For further details on the groups below, please refer to www.scapc.org or to the "Getting Involved" brochures in your Friendship Register, and feel free to take one home! Please note, LB = Land Building.

Aden Elder Care Tuesdays & Thursdays | 10 AM-2 PM |

Contact: Adelle Bergman, aden@scapc.org

CBD Study Group Wednesdays | 7 AM | 625 St. Charles Ave. |

Contact: John Morton, johnmorton@cox.net

Mid-Week Bible Study Wednesdays | 5 PM | Phifer Library |

Contact: Sarah Chancellor-Watson, sarah@scapc.org (resumes Jan. 15)

Presbyterian Women's Book Club Third Thursdays | 12:30 PM |

LB Lakeside | Contact: Elizabeth Artigues, artigues4@gmail.com

Presbyterian Women's Needleworks Group Thursdays | 10 AM

Noon | LB, Lakeside | Contact: Mary Ann Mott, 504-581-4424

Presbyterian Women's Circles (monthly Bible Studies)

Second Mondays at Noon (LB) and 2 PM (Lambeth House)

Second Tuesdays at 5:45 PM (LB)

Contact: Ebie Strauss, ebiestrauss@yahoo.com

Senior High Small Group Alternating Tuesdays | 7-8 PM |

3rd Floor Youth Room | Contact: Chris Hazlaris, chris@scapc.org

Spiritually Hungry Women Wednesdays | 12:30-1:45 PM |

LB, Lakeside | Contact: Miriam Hollar, schuling@aol.com

TMBS&PG (Thursday Morning Bible Study & Prayer Group) |

7 AM | LB, Lakeside | Contact: Jane Rasi, janerasi@gmail.com

YAF PINTS | Wednesday evenings, 6:45 PM | LB | Contact:

Chris Hazlaris, chris@scapc.org

LB - Land Building | FFH - Frampton Fellowship Hall

CALENDAR

- 1/7 | Senior High Small Group
- 1/8 | WNO: Clean Energy in the New Year by Entergy
- 1/8 | PINTS resumes
- 1/12 | YAF King Cake Tasting
- 1/13 | PW Noon and Lambeth House Circles
- 1/14 | PW Evening Circle
- 1/15 | WNO: Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration
- 1/16 | PW Book Club
- 1/17-18 | Confirmation Retreat
- 1/21 | Senior High Small Group
- 1/22 | WNO: Board Game Night
- 1/24-25 | Session Retreat
- 1/26 | Youth Sunday; Confirmation classes begin
- 1/27-28 | PW Retreat
- 1/31 | YAF event at Urban South
- 2/2 | Annual Meeting of the Congregation
- 2/4 | YAF Dinner and Trivia at Dat Dog

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