



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

January 12, 2020 | Baptism of Our Lord
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

"The mystery of life is not a problem to solve, but a reality to experience."

- Jack Kornfield

GATHERING

GREETING

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

VOLUNTARY

Steven B. Blackmon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

•*CALL TO WORSHIP (*responsive, from Psalm 29*)

Katie Kuhns

Ascribe to the Lord, O mighty ones. Ascribe to the Lord glory and strength!

Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness.

The Lord sits enthroned over the flood. The Lord is enthroned as King forever.

•*PRAYER OF THE DAY

•†*HYMN 819

"Be Still, My Soul"

FINLANDIA

•CALL TO CONFESSION

The voice of the Lord who breaks the cedars of Lebanon, who makes Lebanon skip like a young calf, and strikes in power and might like lightning upon the mountains, the voice of the Lord Almighty calls us before him, with fury at that which would morally deform us and with compassion for us in our moral deformity. Let us confess our sins.

•PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*unison*)

Merciful God, whatever pride and vainglory we have had we have dropped at the door of your temple. Whatever illusions of power we boasted, whatever delusions of righteousness we pretended, we now abandon in your holy presence. We come before you as sinners, without excuse, without denial, without delay. We ask for your mercy, plain and simple. Deliver us from sin today, and not merely the consequences of sin, that we may become who we already are in Christ. Amen.

SILENT REFLECTION

KYRIE

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

Blackmon

•ASSURANCE OF PARDON

God does not go around breaking bruised reeds. Although our candles gutter and fail in the winds of life, God will not snuff us out. It is no other than God who breathes into us the breath of life, and of this we may be assured: The God who gave us life wants only to restore us to that life for which he created us. We stand forgiven by the God of mercy in Jesus the Christ.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

Isaiah 42:1-9

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN

Sarah Chancellor-Watson

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

Matthew 3:13-17

•SERMON

"Epiphanies"

Michael Jinkins

•*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: *The Apostles' Creed*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

•*GLORIA PATRI (*Hymn 581*)

"Glory Be to the Father"

GLORIA PATRI

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

•THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

"My Shepherd Will Supply My Need"

arr. Wilberg

The Chancel Choir

•CELEBRATION 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 611

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

HYMN TO JOY

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

"A Scottis Blyssing"

Blackmon/Willcox

*VOLUNTARY

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

SCAPC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Jerry S. Hoggatt, Jr. by his family. **CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Patrick Egan on the death of his grandfather, and to Jack, Liam and Craig Egan on the death of their great-grandfather, George Wyatt, who died on December 20.

A FUNERAL SERVICE for John Martin will be held this Wednesday, January 15 at 3:00 PM in the Sanctuary with visitation beginning at 1:30 PM in the Bloomfield Parlor.

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: Madison Able and Thomas Yoder

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Children's Choirs Spring Sign-Up: All children in Pre-K 4 through 2nd Grade (Cherub Choir) and 3rd-5th Grade (Ringers & Singers) are welcome to participate this spring! For further details and to register your child(ren)--even if you already did so in the fall--please complete the form at www.scapc.org/childrens-choirs and indicate which Sundays you will be unable to participate. Questions? Contact Director Peggy Crain, mezzomommy@aol.com.

If you receive a suspicious email that appears to be from a SCAPC staff member yet does NOT end in "scapc.org", especially a message that asks for a "favor" and includes misspellings and grammatical errors, please know that it is a hoax message to which you should not respond. Note that church staff will never ask for payments or gift cards via email for any purpose other than an official SCAPC campaign or event.

Love to Bake? If so, bring your favorite recipe and join us in the SCAPC kitchen on Friday, January 17 between 9:30 AM and 2:00 PM as we prepare tasty treats for the PW Retreat! To sign up or get further details, email Donna Davis at david3149@gmail.com.

TODAY

8:30 AM | Worship with communion in the Chapel

8:30 AM | Nursery open until 12:00 p.m.

9:30 AM | Sunday School for All Ages

9:45 AM | YAF King Cake Tasting Party

10:30 AM | Worship in the Sanctuary

5:00 PM | Youth Group (note new ending time: 7:30)

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 (new location)

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. This class will provide a trustworthy guide to the rich symbolism of this important biblical book. | January 5-February 9 | **LB Lakeside Parlor** | led by Larry Hamric and John Galbraith

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. We will discover the spiritual journey for each of the nine Enneagram types in order to grow in compassion and build a greater capacity to create conscious change. | January 12-February 16 | Learning Center (2nd floor) | led by Liz Newcomer

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. 22

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:

Bria Rault, bria@scapc.org

LB - Land Building | FFH - Frampton Fellowship Hall

WEDNESDAY NIGHT OUT THIS WEEK

Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

Supper | 6 PM | Frampton Fellowship Hall

YAF PINTS 6:45 PM | Land Building

(Weekly Bible Study will resume January 22)

Childcare is available 6:00-8:30 PM

www.scapc.org/wno for supper reservations

January 22 Program:

Board Game Night

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

The Congregational Life Committee, which plans our Wednesday Night Out (WNO) program as well as other events, is seeking volunteers to provide after-church snacks on Sundays and help with one-two WNO's per semester.

If interested, please sign up this morning in Frampton Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

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 (off-site)

1/17-18 | Confirmation Retreat

1/21 | Senior High Small Group (now on Tuesdays!)

1/22 | WNO: Board Game Night

1/24-25 | Session Retreat

1/26 | Youth Sunday; Confirmation classes begin

1/27-28 | PW Retreat

1/29 | WNO: King Cake Tasting

1/31 | YAF event at Urban South

2/2 | Annual Meeting of the Congregation

2/4 | YAF Dinner and Trivia at Dat Dog