



ST. CHARLES AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

February 16, 2020 | Sixth Sunday after Epiphany
8:30 and 10:30 a.m. Services

GATHERING

GREETING
VOLUNTARY
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sarah Chancellor-Watson
Steven B. Blackmon

•*CALL TO WORSHIP *from Psalm 119 (responsive)*

Mary Malone

With our soul we seek you, Lord.

Your Word is engraved upon our hearts.

We have hidden your Word within us that we might not wander from your way.

We hold your Word within our hearts so we do not sin against you.

With our lips we shall declare your praise.

And we shall meditate upon your law day and night, delighting in your commandments, and remembering always your Word.

•*PRAYER OF THE DAY

•†*HYMN 65

“Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah”

CWM RHONDDA

•CALL TO CONFESSION

Blessed are they who walk in the way of the Lord, they have no cause for shame. And when they do depart from the path, they know that the Lord will greet them with joy, for they have returned from death to life. Knowing how great the stakes are, understanding that sin is hated by God because of the pain, suffering and destruction it causes his creation, we come now to God in prayer, to confess our sin.

•CONFESSION OF SIN *(unison)*

Teach us, O God, to live, and not merely survive. Show us the secret of choosing life when you set it before us. For we confess that we have leaned on our own understandings, and depended on our own judgements, and, thereby, have chosen unwisely more often than not. Forgive us for our foolishness, our short-sightedness, and our self-destructiveness. In your compassion, restore unto us the joy of our salvation, we pray, and grant unto us that life eternal which we can know even now, in 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 PARDON *(responsive)*

Let those who trust the Lord now say, “God’s mercy endures forever.” He has heard our confessions and has forgiven us already, for our forgiveness is complete in Jesus Christ.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

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

Deuteronomy 30:11-20

†MESSAGE FOR THE CHILDREN - PRESENTATION OF FOURTH GRADE BIBLES

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

Matthew 7:7-14

•SERMON

“Choosing Life”

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

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER *(Hymnal, p. 35)*

•THE OFFERING

Offertory Anthem

“The Lily of the Valley”

arr., Whalum

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 645

“Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above”

MIT FREUDEN ZART

•*CHARGE AND BLESSING

*CHORAL RESPONSE

“The Irish Blessing”

Blackmon

*VOLUNTARY

•8:30 service | *Please stand as you are able | †Latecomers seated

Large print bulletins and hearing devices are available. Please see an usher or the “Special Accommodations” booth in the narthex.

SCAPC NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE FLOWERS IN THE SANCTUARY are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elaine H. Gelpi by Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Brinson and Family.

THE WHITE ROSE is placed in honor of the birth of William Semmes Favrot, grandson of Janet and Thomas Favrot Jr. (son of Betsy and Thomas Favrot III), who was born on February 12.

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

10:30 USHERS: Buddy and Luanna Cambas (Co-Captains), Bebe Marchal, Derrick Heyl, Danny Franklin, Kate Prechter, Harper Johnson, Ann Maier, and Nicholas White

ACOLYTES: Walter Kramer and Liam Egan

TODAY

8:30 AM | Worship with communion in the Chapel

8:30 AM | Nursery open until 12:00 PM

9:30 AM | Sunday School for all ages

9:30 AM | Fourth Grade Bible Brunch

10:30 AM | Worship in the Sanctuary

4:00 PM | Confirmation Class

5:00 PM | Youth Group

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

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

Art of Enncagram: A Spiritual Journey Through Type
January 12-February 16 | Learning Center (2nd floor) | led by Liz Newcomer

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please note that **next Sunday morning** there will be only ONE UNIFIED WORSHIP SERVICE at 8:30 AM in the Chapel. There will be no Sunday School or childcare.

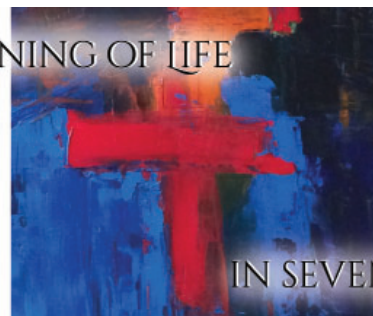
Come take advantage of the helpful items at our new **Special Accommodations Booth** in the Sanctuary narthex on the Eleanor Street side. Included there are “fidgets” that our 6th-12th graders crafted for churchgoers with ADHD, autism or other sensory needs, as well as large-print bulletins, bulletins in a dyslexia-helpful font, and hearing aids. Our youth developed the idea out of their “blessed to be blessings” theme this year.

Over-the-Counter Medication Needed: Another team of SCAPC members will be travelling to Cuba this April. They will bring with them much-needed medicines including fever reducers, pain killers, antacids, anti-diarrhea, cough and cold, and multi-vitamins (non-gummies), as well as glass thermometers and reading glasses. To contribute, you can bring your new, unopened medicines to the “Living Waters for the World” donation basket in the stairwell off Frampton Fellowship Hall.

VBS Registration Open: This year’s “Knights of North Castle” Vacation Bible School will take place the evening of Sunday, May 31 and continue the mornings of Monday, June 1 through Thursday, June 4. Children 3-years old through 4th Grade can participate. Adult and youth (5th-12th Grade) volunteers are needed! For more details about this year’s new date format and to register a child or volunteer, please go to www.scapc.org/vbs.

Winter Clothes Needed: The Program of Hope homeless ministry, one of SCAPC’s 21 Community Ministry Partners, needs clean and good-condition donations of blankets, coats, women’s pants and sneakers, men’s pants in small sizes, and casual shoes. Please place your items in the container beneath the stairway next to Frampton Fellowship Hall. If pickup is needed, please email Dale Curry at dalecurry2017@gmail.com.

THE MEANING OF LIFE



SCAPC
LENT 2020

IN SEVEN WORDS

The 2020 Lenten season will begin with an
ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE
at Noon in the Sanctuary on February 26.

CALENDAR

- 2/18 | Senior High Small Group
- 2/19 | (No WNO)
- 2/23 | Unified worship service at 8:30 AM in Chapel (no Sunday School, childcare or Youth Group)
- 2/25 | Mardi Gras, SCAPC office closed
- 2/26 | Ash Wednesday Service
- 2/26 | (No WNO)
- 3/3 | Senior High Small Group
- 3/4 | WNO: Program TBA
- 3/9 | PW Noon and Lambeth House Circles
- 3/10 | PW Evening Circle
- 3/11 | WNO: Program TBA
- 3/12 | Senior Adults Italian Night

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 March 4)

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

(will not meet Feb. 26) | LB, Lakeside | Contact: Miriam Hollar,
schuling@aol.com

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

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

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

Bria Rault, bria@scapc.org | (resumes March 4)

LB - Land Building | FFH - Frampton Fellowship Hall

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