JULY 25, 2021

LOOKING FORWARD WITH GREAT ANTICIPATION

The Prelude Create in Me, O God

Create in me, O God, a clean heart. Put a new and right spirit within me.

Music by Jane Marshall © 1988 Choristers Guild

The Call to Worship Rev. Carl Kalberkamp

The Hymn Arise, My Soul, Arise

Arise, my soul, arise. Shake off your guilty fears. The bleeding Sacrifice in my behalf appears. Before the throne my Surety stands, before the throne my Surety stands, my name is written on His hands.

Arise (arise), Arise (arise), Arise, Arise my soul arise. (repeat). Shake off your guilty fears and rise.

He ever lives above for me to intercede, His all-redeeming love, His precious blood to plead. His blood atoned for every race, His blood atoned for every race, and sprinkles now the throne of grace. *Chorus*

Five bleeding wounds He bears, received on Calvary. They pour effectual prayers, they strongly plead for me. "Forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "forgive him, O forgive," they cry, "nor let that ransomed sinner die." Chorus

My God is reconciled, His pard'ning voice I hear. He owns me for his child, I can no longer fear. With confidence I now draw nigh, and Father, Abba Father, cry! *Chorus*

Words by Charles Wesley, music by Kevin Twit ©1996 Kevin Twit Music

The Invocation Rev. Dean Williams

The Hymn Heal Us

Heal us, Emmanuel, here we are; we long to feel Thy touch. Deep-wounded souls to Thee we fly; O Savior, hear our cry.

Our faith is feeble, we confess; we faintly trust Thy word. But will You pity us the less? Be that far from You, Lord! Chorus

Remember him who once applied with trembling for relief; "Lord, I believe," with tears he cried; "O help my unbelief!" Chorus

She, too, who touched thee in the press and healing virtue stole, was answered, "Daughter, go in peace: thy faith has made thee whole." Chorus

Like her, with hopes and fears we come to touch Thee if we may; O send us not despairing home, send none unhealed away. Chorus Words by William Cowper, alt. Kevin Twin, music by Kevin Twit and Lucas Morton © 2015

The Scripture Reading I Corinthians 15:50-58

The Offertory

Love Never Fails

Kelli Ricchetti, soloist

If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels but have not love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move

mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give all I possess to the poor and surrender my body to the flames, but have not love, I gain nothing.

Love is patient, love is kind, love leaves envy far behind. Never boastful, proud or rude, love rejoices with the truth. Slow to anger, stores no wrongs, love will never seek its own. Love does not delight in sin, it bears all things, believes all things, love hopes all things, endures all thing. Love never fails.

Prophecies some day will cease, as for tongues they will be stilled. Knowledge, it will pass away, yet love remains, it hopes all things, believes all things, endures all things. Love never fails.

Words adapted from 1 Cor. 13:1-8, music by J.A.C. Redford © 1998 Fred Bock Music

Children in the 2-3 year old classes are dismissed to Church Time in the Nursery.

The Psalm

The Lord is My Refuge

The Lord is my refuge, how then can you say, "O flee like a bird to your mountain away. The godless take aim with their bow and their dart, like snipers they shoot at the upright in heart.

"When evil prevails, they foundations remove; O what then, O what then, can righteous men do?" Be sure that the Lord in his temple on high, in heaven enthroned, over men casts his eye.

The Lord looks on man with his all-searching eyes; his eyelids observe, and their conduct he tries. The Lord test the righteous who walk in his ways; his soul hates the wicked, who terror embrace.

The Lord will send judgment and pour out hot coals; e'er all the ungodly his scorching wind rolls. The Lord, ever righteous, his justice portrays; by grace all the upright will look on his face.

The Intercessory Prayer

Ruling Elder John Kwasny

The Scripture Reading

Philippians 3:7-11

The Sermon

Rev. Dean Williams

Onward and Upward

The Hymn No. 528

My Faith Looks Up to Thee

My faith looks up to thee, thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine: now hear me while I pray, take all my guilt away, O let me from this day be wholly thine.

May thy rich gaze impart strength to my fainting heart, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me ever stray from thee aside.

While life's dark maze I tread, and griefs around me spread, be thou my guide; bid darkness turn to day, wipe sorrow's tears away, nor let me every stray from thee aside.

When ends life's transient dream, when death's cold, sullen stream shall o'er me roll, blest savior, then, in love, fear and distrust remove; O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul.

Words by Ray Palmer, 1830, music by Lowell Mason, 1832

The Benediction Rev. Williams

The Postlude Festive Postlude arr. D. Lansky

FAMILY NIGHT PICNIC 5:30 P. M.

Bring a picnic dinner for your family and join us in the Gym for a time of fellowship with your brothers and sisters. Water bottles will be provided. Ruling Elders Ken Haynes and Eddie Moran, along with Pastor Dean, will be providing us with a concise report on our denominations' recent General Assembly.

The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God by Madison and Liz Taylor in loving memory of Liz's mother, Diane Louise Burgess.

TO EVERYONE WHO VISITS WITH US THIS LORD'S DAY, we welcome you sincerely and from the heart. Grace to you and peace from God our Father through the Lord Jesus Christ.

HELP US WELCOME CHRISTIAN AND COURTNEY BREWER! We are going to present a basket of gift cards to them shortly after they arrive later this month. Please consider buying a gift card to a local store/shop, Kroger, or a restaurant and drop it off at the church or hand it to any staff member. This will encourage them with our love in a concrete way. You may also bring it to the family night picnic tonight and give to a staff member, or pastor Carl.

VBS WAS A ROUSING SUCCESS! This year, 216 children and 60 *Sonbeams* youth/adults investigated God's word together as they helped the Scottish Sleuths solve the "*The Case of the Baffling Beginnings*." Many thanks go to over 125 faithful volunteers who demonstrated Christ's love and service to our covenant children and visitors alike and many thanks to all the people who brought food for the volunteers! Special thanks go to our VBS Director, Kristi Clark, and her assistant director, Adelle Johnson, who wonderfully coordinated this year's VBS and to Daphne Clark who assisted the ministry to *Sonbeams* adults. We had a great week collecting school supplies for God's Haven, a Christian ministry to homeless families.

LUNCH BUNCH: Ladies aged 60 and above are invited to treat yourself to lunch the 3rd Tuesday of every month at various restaurants with your Pear Orchard sisters. Our next time will be August 17. For the August meeting, we will meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. and ride together to The Gathering at Livingston. If you plan to attend, please let Mary Lou Heaney know by Monday noon on the day before so seating at the restaurant and/or transportation can be planned. Please contact Mary Lou @ 601-506-1432 or williamheaney@att.net.

ATTENTION LADIES: Save the date for the annual Ladies Fall Luncheon on August 22, immediately following the 2nd service in the Multipurpose gym. We will have a delicious lunch and talk about all the ways you can plug in at POPC.

PSALMS WE SING TOGETHER: On August 29, our Annual Family Night Picnic and Concert will feature Wendell Kimbrough. Wendell is a songwriter and performer reimagining the Psalms for emotionally honest modern worship. His music makes space for the whole range of human experience, from lament, grief, and anger to playful, joyful celebration. With singable melodies, steeped in the sounds of folk, gospel, and soul music, Wendell's songs are sung at hundreds of churches around the world. Wendell lives with his wife and daughter in Fairhope, Alabama, where he serves as worship leader and artist-in-residence at Church of the Apostles. Wendell's CDs and songbooks are available for purchase on our website.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS: The Sanctuary Flowers are paid for by members who wish to contribute the flower arrangement one Sunday or more during the year. The cost is \$75 and checks are made payable to POPC with "flowers" on the memo line. Flowers may be given in honor or in memory of loved ones. Visit pearorchard.org or contact Jan in the church office (601-956-3282) or email jan@pearorchard.org if you wish to sign up for sanctuary flowers in 2021.

PLEASE PRAY FOR CCS:

- Prayer for a smooth transition back to school. Covid concerns are still at the forefront of family's minds.
- We are welcoming more than 80 new students. Pray that they will feel at home.
- Pray that the Gospel will go forth abundantly and produce fruit in our young boy's and girl's lives.
- Pray for staff's strength, resilience, and passion to serve.
- Pray that the Lord will continue to protect and preserve CCS!

MISSIONARY PARTNER OF THE WEEK: Jackson Leadership Foundation (JLF), Jackson, MS

Jackson Leadership Foundation is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to the spiritual and economic transformation of Jackson's under-resourced communities through the empowerment of leaders, development of ministries, and networking of volunteers and donors. Pray for JLF's continued success in bringing together and resourcing other non-profits throughout the Jackson Metro Area who share the same vision of impacting Jackson's under-resourced community for Christ.

PEAR ORCHARD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH STAFF

Jacob Beard - Youth Summer Intern
Josh Beck - College Ministry Intern
Ashley Biggs - Assistant Youth Director
Daphne Clark - Sonbeams Director
Susie Cook - Organist
Jan Duran - Administrative Secretary
Heatherly Edgar - Financial Administrator
Rick Goodwin - Business Administrator
Howard Graylin - Sound Team Leader
Tammie Haynes - Women's Ministry Director

Cathy Haynie - CCS Head of School
Adelle Johnson- Children's Ministry Assistant
John Kwasny - Director of Discipleship Ministries
Edwin Lewis - Maintenance Director
Serena Lucas - Nursery Director
Scott Miller - Director of Youth Ministry
Chris Payne - Maintenance Technician
Margaret Sprow - Music Director
Liz Taylor - Media Communication Manager
Madison Taylor - Worship Team Leader

Georgia Upshaw - Youth Ministry Coordinator

MISSION & MINISTRY COMMITMENTS

FOREIGN MISSIONS

John & Cathy Rug - Chile - MTW Johnny & Becky Long - Serge Josh & Gina Rieger – England – MTW Third Millennium Ministries Roger & Abi Lowther - Japan - MTW Virginia – Asia – IXO Nate & Nikki Bonham - Peru - MTW Jubin, EHA - Asia Michelle Maley - Share the Hope - Ukraine Ellie Honea - Japan - MTW Lee & Emma - N. Africa - MTW China Partnership - Asia Derek & Shannon Ebbers - Romania - MTW Esaie Etienne - Living Stone Reformed Ministry - Haiti Foster & Laura Gullett - Italy - MTW Mark & Bridgette - Middle East David Moran - CITA - Spanish Theological Curriculum Gary Johnson - IXO - European Church Planting Wes & Jami Baker -Peru - Christian Missionary Society Joni & Friends - India Bennett & Bonnie Ndelemeti - Zambia - Centre for Christian Missions and Unreached Missions

NATIONAL MISSIONS

Mid-South Church Planting Network
Harris Bond - Monroe, LA, Mid-South Church Plant
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LOCAL MISSIONS

Fellowship of Christian Athletes Lifeline Children's Services Gateway Rescue Mission Center for Pregnancy Choices Christ Covenant School Lantern Medical Clinic French Camp Academy Sonbeams Special Needs Ministry Joni & Friends (JAF) American Heritage Girls POPC Neighborhood Diversity Ministry Trail Life Cheryl Reese - Mission First POPC Moses' Basket Friends of Alcoholics Chase Maxey - Biblical Counseling and Training Ministry One Story Ministries Mission First Jackson Leadership Foundation Operation Christmas Child

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MINISTRIES

Covenant College (PCA) – Lookout Mountain, GA Ridge Haven Conference Center – Rosman, NC Committee on Discipleship Ministries Covenant Seminary (PCA) – St. Louis, MO PCA Foundation Mission To The World Mission To North America Administrative Committee Reformed University Ministries PCA Retirement and Benefits. Inc.