

GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE

for the
**Glory of God
and the**

Renewal of His People

January 10, 2016



To all who are spiritually weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Savior;
to all who are strangers and want fellowship;
to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to all who will come, this church opens wide her doors
and offers welcome in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

SOUTHSIDE COMMUNITY CHURCH

Glorifying God...

Embracing Scripture...

Loving Corpus Christi...

PREPARATION for WORSHIP

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Words and Music: Thomas Obediah Chisholm and William Marion Runyan

Great is Thy faithfulness
O God my Father
There is no shadow
Of turning with Thee
Thou changest not
Thy compassions they fail not
As Thou hast been
Thou forever wilt be

Great is Thy faithfulness
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Morning by morning
New mercies I see
All I have needed
Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness
Lord unto me

WORSHIPING GOD'S GREATNESS

*(*Indicates where congregation is invited to stand, as able)*

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Psalm 113:1-3

Minister:

Praise the Lord!

Congregation:

Praise, O servants of the Lord, Praise the name of the Lord!

Minister:

Blessed be the name of the Lord, from this time forth and forevermore!

Congregation:

**From the rising of the sun to its setting,
The name of the Lord is to be praised!**

*SONG of ADORATION

Everlasting God

Words and Music: Brenton Brown and Ken Riley

Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
Strength will rise as we wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
We will wait upon the Lord
Our God You reign forever our Hope our strong Deliv'rer

You are the everlasting God the everlasting God
You do not faint You won't grow weary
You're the defender of the weak
You comfort those in need
You lift us up on wings like eagles

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***PRAYER of INVOCATION**

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GRACE

***CONFESSION of FAITH**

Scots Confession

We confess and acknowledge one God alone,
to whom alone we must cleave,
whom alone we must serve,
whom only we must worship,
and in whom alone we put our trust.

Who is eternal, infinite, immeasurable,
incomprehensible, omnipotent, invisible;
one in substance
and yet distinct in three persons,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost.

By whom we confess and believe all things in heaven and earth,
visible and invisible
to have been created,
to be retained in their being,
and to be ruled and guided by his inscrutable providence
for such end as his eternal wisdom, goodness, and justice have appointed,
and to the manifestation of his own glory.

CONFESSION of SIN

(please, pray the following in unison)

O Lord our God, we come to you as your children and servants,
grateful for your constant love and grace
and aware of our sinful condition.
We have broken your commandments.
We have fallen short of your glory.
We have not loved you with all our heart, mind, soul, and strength.
We have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.
We acknowledge our guilt,
and that apart from the saving grace of our Lord Jesus,
we rightly fall under your judgment.
Have mercy upon us, O Lord.
Blot out our transgressions and forgive our sins.
We pray in Jesus' name. Amen.

ASSURANCE of PARDON

Romans 8:1

There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

SONG of RENEWAL

Be Still My Soul

Words and Music: Jane Laurie Borthwick, Jean Sibelius, and Kathrina Amalia von Schlegel

Be still my soul the Lord is on thy side
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain
Leave to thy God to order and provide
In ev'ry change He faithful will remain
Be still my soul thy best thy heav'nly Friend
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end

Be still my soul thy God doth undertake
To guide the future as He has the past
Thy hope thy confidence let nothing shake
All now mysterious shall be bright at last
Be still my soul the waves and winds still know
His voice who ruled them while He dwelt below

Be still my soul the hour is hast'ning on
When we shall be forever with the Lord
When disappointment grief and fear are gone
Sorrow forgot love's purest joys restored
Be still my soul when change and tears are past
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Fellowship Books. Please take a moment to fill out the information on the attendance pads located underneath the seat on the inner aisles, providing any information to enable us to better serve you. When you finish, please pass the pads down the row so everyone has the opportunity to do so.

MISSION OF THE WEEK

Corpus Christi Pregnancy Center
ccpregnancy.org

Prayer is the way you defeat the devil, reach the lost, restore a backslider, strengthen the saints, send missionaries out, cure the sick, accomplish the impossible, and know the will of God.

David Jeremiah

PRAYER of COMMITTAL for our OFFERINGS

GIVING of REGULAR OFFERINGS and BARNABAS MERCY FUND

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Matthew 7:21-29

I Never Knew You

²¹ “Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. ²² On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ ²³ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’

Build Your House on the Rock

²⁴ “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. ²⁵ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on the rock. ²⁶ And everyone who hears these words of mine and does not do them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. ²⁷ And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and beat against that house, and it fell, and great was the fall of it.”

The Authority of Jesus

²⁸ And when Jesus finished these sayings, the crowds were astonished at his teaching, ²⁹ for he was teaching them as one who had authority, and not as their scribes.

PRAYER for GOD’S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD

Please contact Tammy at the church office for prayer needs and updates.

O God Our Help in Ages Past

Words: Isaac Watts (from Psalm 90); 1719 Music: Attr. To William Croft, 1678-1727

O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home!

Under the shadow of Your throne
Your saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is Your arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

Before the hills in order stood,
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting You are God,
To endless years the same.

A thousand ages in Your sight
Are like an evening gone;
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

O God our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
O be our guard while troubles last,
And our eternal home.

EMBRACING GOD'S WORD

*READING and PREACHING of GOD'S WORD

Exodus 5:22-6:12

²² Then Moses turned to the LORD and said, "O Lord, why have you done evil to this people? Why did you ever send me? ²³ For since I came to Pharaoh to speak in your name, he has done evil to this people, and you have not delivered your people at all."

God Promises Deliverance

⁶ But the LORD said to Moses, "Now you shall see what I will do to Pharaoh; for with a strong hand he will send them out, and with a strong hand he will drive them out of his land."

² God spoke to Moses and said to him, "I am the LORD. ³ I appeared to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, as God Almighty, but by my name the LORD I did not make myself known to them. ⁴ I also established my covenant with them to give them the land of Canaan, the land in which they lived as sojourners. ⁵ Moreover, I have heard the groaning of the people of Israel whom the Egyptians hold as slaves, and I have remembered my covenant. ⁶ Say therefore to the people of Israel, 'I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, and I will deliver you from slavery to them, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great acts of judgment. ⁷ I will take you to be my people, and I will be your God, and you shall know that I am the LORD your God, who has brought you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. ⁸ I will bring you into the land that I swore to give to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. I will give it to you for a possession. I am the LORD.'" ⁹ Moses spoke thus to the people of Israel, but they did not listen to Moses, because of their broken spirit and harsh slavery.

¹⁰ So the LORD said to Moses, ¹¹ "Go in, tell Pharaoh king of Egypt to let the people of Israel go out of his land." ¹² But Moses said to the LORD, "Behold, the people of Israel have not listened to me. How then shall Pharaoh listen to me, for I am of uncircumcised lips?"

O Love that Will Not Let Me Go

Words: George Matheson Music: Christopher Miner

O Love that will not let me go,
I rest my weary soul in thee;
I give thee back the life I owe,
That in thine ocean depths its flow
May richer, fuller be.

O light that followest all my way,
I yield my flickering torch to thee;
My heart restores its borrowed ray,
That in thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be.

O Joy that seekest me through pain,
I cannot close my heart to thee;
I trace the rainbow through the rain,
And feel the promise is not vain,
That morn shall tearless be.

O Cross that liftest up my head,
I dare not ask to fly from thee;
I lay in dust life's glory dead,
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be.

***BENEDICTION**

Hebrews 13:20-21

Congregation: (Loudly) Alleluia! Amen!

***PASSING THE PEACE**

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON

*We praise the Lord for our accompanists this morning
– vocalists and instrumentalists and audio and video technicians.*

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O Love That Will Not Let Me Go

George Matheson was one of Scotland's most beloved preachers, eventually becoming the pastor of the historic St. Bernard's church in Edinburgh. His eyesight deteriorated in his early years. He became totally blind as he was at the University of Glasgow preparing for the ministry. His sister aided George in his studies, going to the extent of learning Hebrew, Greek, and Latin in order to help him. He was a respected scholar and graduated with high honors.

Along the way, George experienced heartbreak in his relationship with his fiancée who decided she could not be married to a blind man. She broke the engagement, and returned his ring. George was devastated, and never married.

Years later, on the wedding night of his sister, he was reminded of the pain he had endured. He penned the words to "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" in five minutes on June 6, 1882. He described it as the fruit of "the most severe mental suffering."

Terms such as weary soul, flickering torch, rain, and pain describe his sorrows. Yet the themes of each stanza (love, light, joy, and cross) express the fulfillment a believer finds in the grace of God.

Historically, the words have been sung to the tune of "St. Margaret," written by Albert Peace in 1885. Ironically, Peace had gone through a similar pain, and the tune came to him in only five minutes. Today we sing the hymn to music written by Christopher Miner, who has written several of our modern tunes for older texts.

MISSIONARIES and MISSIONS

Judy Arvin	Navigators NAS Corpus Christi
Brenda Carter	Mission to the World - Taiwan
Bojan & Julia Dragicevic	RUF International University of Texas in Austin
Ben & Beth Hailey	RUF Texas A&M College Station
Tim & Cheri Hoke	African Bible College - Uganda
Tim & Kristy Holliday	Mission to the World – Border Ministries
Greg & Sarah Hood	Reach Ministries
Kris & Paula Lundgaard	Mission to the World – Slovakia
John & Stefanie Bennett	RUF Texas A&M Corpus Christi
Michael & Rachel Novak	RUF Trinity University
Jason & Sarah Pickard	RUF International Texas A&M College Station
Khen & Rith Tombing	Presbytery Missions International – India
Dan & Becky Young	Mission to the World – Border Ministries

Corpus Christi Pregnancy Resource Center
Covenant College
Covenant Theological Seminary
Presbytery Church in America Administrative Committee
South Texas Presbytery Operating Budget and Isaias Uc
Southwest Church Planting Network

Sunday, January 10, - Saturday, January 16, 2016

Elder on Call

Ed Arvin	Jan 10 – 16	Gordon Landreth	Jan 17 – 23
Johnny Cotten	Jan 24 – 30	Rob Sigler	Jan 31 – February 6

2016 Bible Reading Plan. This week’s reading schedule.

Genesis	11	Matthew	10	1/10	Ezra	10	Acts	10
Genesis	12	Matthew	11	1/11	Nehemiah	1	Acts	11
Genesis	13	Matthew	12	1/12	Nehemiah	2	Acts	12
Genesis	14	Matthew	13	1/13	Nehemiah	3	Acts	13
Genesis	15	Matthew	14	1/14	Nehemiah	4	Acts	14
Genesis	16	Matthew	15	1/15	Nehemiah	5	Acts	15
Genesis	17	Matthew	16	1/16	Nehemiah	6	Acts	16

Opportunities to Know, Connect, and Serve

Barnabas Mercy Fund offering. The Barnabas Mercy Fund Offering is used to help with needs among our congregation’s members and acquaintances. Envelopes designated for our Barnabas gifts have been placed inside the green pew books.

Fellowship Luncheon Everyone is invited to stay after Worship Service today for a covered dish meal.

Friday Prayer Meeting. Everyone is invited to gather Fridays at the church at 2:00 pm for a dedicated time of prayer.

Care Group

Mirador Memory Care Ministry Opportunity – Evening Vespers. Bible study and worship 4-5pm Sundays. For more information about this Care Group contact Richard Mittanck or Emily Weaver.

Serving Families with Children Ministry

Nursery Volunteers Needed – Weekly volunteers please check in with our nursery workers, Roxanne and Chelsea, to see if you are needed. If you’re not currently a volunteer would you consider serving a couple of times a year? Please contact Meredith Hood.

Women’s Ministry

Women’s Breakfast Fellowship. We gather Tuesdays 7:00 am at Town and Country Café, 4228 South Alameda Street. All ladies are invited to join us for a time of sharing, card writing and prayer. Contacts are Jean Newberry and Linda Landreth.

The Women's Noon Fellowship will meet on January 19th at the home of Betty Clark at 12 noon. We will be led in studying the book of Ruth by Jeannie McCrocklin. You might want to read Ruth before then to refresh your memory. Don't forget to bring a sandwich to join us at lunch

Men’s Ministry

Men’s Study. Men’s group is studying Habakkuk using a study guide written by Mike McCrocklin. They meet Tuesdays 6:30 am at Town and Country Café, 4228 South Alameda. Contacts are Bill Newberry and Gordon Landreth.

Reformed University Fellowship – Texas A&M Corpus Christi

Leadership: John and Stefanie Bennett

Financial Update

Giving Month-to-Date: \$ 5,463.00
Budget Month-to-Date \$ 5,938.00

Giving Fiscal Year-to-Date: \$ 207,088.00
Budget Fiscal Year-to-Date \$ 231,279.00