

GATHERED WORSHIP SERVICE

for the
**Glory of God
and the**

Renewal of His People

October 25, 2015



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...

REFLECTION and PREPARATION

Rejoice The Lord Is King

Words and Music: Charles Wesley and John Darwall

Rejoice the Lord is King
Your Lord and King adore
Rejoice give thanks and sing
And triumph evermore
Lift up your heart lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

Jesus the Savior reigns
The God of truth and love
When He had purged our stains
He took His seat above
Lift up your heart lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

His kingdom cannot fail
He rules o'er earth and heaven
The keys of death and hell
Are to our Jesus given
Lift up your heart lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

Rejoice in glorious hope
Our Lord the Judge shall come
And take His servants up
To their eternal home
Lift up your heart lift up your voice
Rejoice again I say rejoice

WORSHIPING GOD'S GREATNESS

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

***CALL to WORSHIP**

Psalm 96:1-4

*Minister: Oh sing to the Lord a new song,
Sing to the Lord, all the earth!*

**Congregation: Sing to the Lord, bless His name;
Tell of His salvation from day to day.**

*Minister: Declare His glory among the nations,
His marvellous works among all the peoples!*

**Congregation: For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
He is to be feared above all Gods.**

***SONG of ADORATION**

The Sands of Time

Words and Music: Phillip Palmertree

The sands of time are sinking, the dawn of heaven breaks;
The summer morn I've sighed for - the fair, sweet morn awakes:
Dark, dark had been the midnight but dayspring is at hand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

The king there in His beauty, without a veil is seen:
It were a well-spent journey, though seven deaths lay between:
The Lamb with His fair army, doth on Mount Zion stand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land

O Christ, He is the fountain, the deep, sweet well of love!
The streams on earth I've tasted more deep I'll drink above:
There to an ocean fullness His mercy doth expand,
And glory, glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.

The bride eyes not her garment, but her dear Bridegroom's face;
I will not gaze at glory but on my King of grace.
Not at the crown He giveth but on His pierced hand;
The Lamb is all the glory
Of Emmanuel's land.

O I am my Beloved's and my Beloved is mine!
He brings a poor vile sinner into His house of wine
I stand upon His merit - I know no other stand,
Not even where glory dwelleth
In Emmanuel's land.
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***PRAYER of INVOCATION**

ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GRACE

CONFESSION of FAITH

Heidelberg Catechism, Question 1

Minister: *What is your only comfort, in life and in death?*

Congregation: **That I belong - body and soul,
in life and in death -
not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ,
Who at the cost of His own blood
has fully paid for all my sins
and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil;
that He protects me so well
that without the will of my Father in heaven
not a hair can fall from my head; indeed,
that everything must fit His purpose for my salvation.
Therefore, by His Holy Spirit,
He also assures me of eternal life,
and makes me wholeheartedly willing
and ready from now on to live for Him.**

CONFESSION of SIN

(please, pray the following in unison)

**Eternal God,
in whom we live and move and have our being,
whose face is hidden from us by our sins,
and whose mercy we forget
in the blindness of our hearts:
cleanse us from all our offenses,
and deliver us from proud thoughts and vain desires,
that with reverent and humble hearts
we may draw near to you,
confessing our faults, confiding in your grace,
and finding in you our refuge and strength;
through Jesus Christ your Son. Amen.**

ASSURANCE of PARDON

Psalm130:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
O Lord, who could stand?

But with you there is forgiveness,
that you may be feared.

SONG of RENEWAL

Lord, I Need You

Words and music: Christy Nockels, Daniel Carson, Jesse Reeves, Kristian Stanfill and Matt Maher

Lord I come I confess
Bowing here I find my rest
And without You I fall apart
You're the one that guides my heart

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Where sin runs deep, Your grace is more
Where grace is found is where You are
And where You are Lord I am free
Holiness is Christ in me

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

So teach my song to rise to You
When temptation comes my way
And when I cannot stand I'll fall on You
Jesus You're my hope and stay

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You

Lord I need You oh I need You
Ev'ry hour I need You
My one defense my righteousness
Oh God how I need You
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MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

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.

MISSIONARY of the WEEK

Tim Holliday
Border Ministry – Mission to the World, McAllen, Texas
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"If the Great Commission is true, our plans are not too big; they are too small."

Pat Morley

PRAYER of COMMITTAL for our OFFERINGS

GIVING of OFFERINGS

PRAYER for GOD'S PEOPLE and HIS WORLD

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

*SONG of CELEBRATION

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Words: Matthew Bridges and Godfrey Thring Music: George J. Elvey

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne.
Hark! How the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of love,
Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends His burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of years,
The Potentate of time,
Creator of the rolling spheres,
Ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou has died for me;
Thy praise shall never never fail
Throughout eternity.

EMBRACING GOD'S WORD

*READING and PREACHING of GOD'S WORD

Genesis 3:15

I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel."

Exodus 1:15-22

⁵Then the king of Egypt said to the Hebrew midwives, one of whom was named Shiphrah and the other Puah, ¹⁶"When you serve as midwife to the Hebrew women and see them on the birthstool, if it is a son, you shall kill him, but if it is a daughter, she shall live." ¹⁷But the midwives feared God and did not do as the king of Egypt commanded them, but let the male children live. ¹⁸So the king of Egypt called the midwives and said to them, "Why have you done this, and let the male children live?" ¹⁹The midwives said to Pharaoh, "Because the Hebrew women are not like the Egyptian women, for they are vigorous and give birth before the midwife comes to them." ²⁰So God dealt well with the midwives. And the people multiplied and grew very strong. ²¹And because the midwives feared God, he gave them families. ²²Then Pharaoh commanded all his people, "Every son that is born to the Hebrews you shall cast into the Nile, but you shall let every daughter live."

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

Words by Joacim Neander Music - Traditional German Melody

Praise to the Lord,
The Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him,
For He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear,
Now to His temple draw near;
Praise Him in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord,
Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings,
Yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen
How all your longings have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord,
Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
Surely His goodness
And mercy here daily attend thee.
Ponder anew
What the Almighty can do,
If with His love He befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord,
O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath,
Come now with praises before Him.
Let the Amen
Sound from His people again,
Gladly for aye we adore Him.

***BENEDICTION**

Romans 15:13

Congregation: (Loudly) Alleluia! Amen!

***PASSING the PEACE**

***POSTLUDE**

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

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PRAYERS OF REFLECTION

Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, You claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following You as I consider the reasons for doing so. If what You claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and show me the reality of who You are. – Amen.

Prayer of Belief

Heavenly Father, I admit that I am more sinful than I ever before believed, but, through Your Son Jesus, I can be more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. I thank You that He lived the life I should have lived, and paid the debt and punishment I deserved. Receive me now for His sake. I turn from my sins and receive Jesus to be my Lord and Savior. – Amen.

Prayer for Those Struggling with Sin

Lord Jesus, help me to look to You as the fulfillment of all my needs, and to turn from every false satisfaction to feed on You, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and run with perseverance the race set before me, looking to You, the pioneer and perfecter of my faith. – Amen.

Prayer of Commitment

Lord Jesus, You have called us to follow You in a life of committed discipleship in Your church. Grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. – Amen

The Sands of Time are Sinking

This hymn was written around 1857 by Ann Ross Cousin. She was a very talented writer, producing many poems and hymns. She loved to study the life and writings of Samuel Rutherford, who lived two hundred years before her.

Rutherford was a Scottish Presbyterian pastor and a distinguished theologian. He was also a member of the Westminster Assembly, which produced our Confession of Faith and Catechisms. He was particularly influential in the writing of the Shorter Catechism.

One of Rutherford's best known works was "Lex Rex" (The Law, the King), a critique of the Divine Right of Kings. Rutherford argued for limited power, saying that a king's power is derived from the people. He was therefore a marked man when the monarchy was restored in 1860.

He received a summons soon afterwards, being charged with high treason. At this point he was on his death bed. He refused to appear before the authorities, and replied, "I must answer my first summons; and before your day arrives, I will be where few kings and great folks come." He passed away with the dying words, "Glory, glory dwelleth in Immanuel's land."

Ann Ross Cousin was so inspired by his life and writing, that she penned this famous hymn. Many of the words are based on Rutherford's conversations near death, as well as letters he had written. We sing this to a modern tune written by Phillip Palmertree, pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Kosciusko, Mississippi.

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, October 25, - Saturday, October 31, 2015

Elder on Call

Gordon Landreth	Oct 25 – 31	Johnny Cotten	Nov 1 – 7
Rob Sigler	Nov 8 – 14	Ed Arvin	Nov 15 – 21

Opportunities to Know, Connect, and Serve

Lunch Bunch. All are invited to lunch bunch at Montana Mike’s located at 6512 South Staples Street following worship service.

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

Christian Education. For children, youth and adults. Starts at 9:30 AM.

Children Led by Meg Hale, Meredith Hood, and Emily Taylor	Every Story Whispers His Name	Rooms 5 and 7
Youth/College Led by Tim Mulder	Reason for God	Room 13
Adult Led by Rob Bailey, Bruce Schueneman, and Greg Hood	How We Live – Disciplines of the Christian Life	Room 31

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 Coordinator and Volunteers Needed – Would you consider serving? Please contact the church office if you are able and interested in more information and volunteering.

Women’s Ministry

Women’s Breakfast. Gathers weekly 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 and prayer. Contacts are Jean Newberry and Linda Landreth.

Women’s Study Thursday mornings 9:30 – 11:00 am at the church. Childcare is provided. They are studying “*Treasures of Encouragement*” by Sharon Betters which will enhance the women’s ministry to hurting people.

Men’s Ministry

Men’s Study. Patrick Morley’s “Man in the Mirror.” They meet weekly 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: \$ 19,840.00	Giving Fiscal Year-to-Date: \$ 141,324.00
Budget Month-to-Date \$ 17,814.00	Budget Fiscal Year-to-Date \$ 165,961.00

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