



September 25, 2022 – 10:30 a.m.

**Welcome to
Community.**

We are glad you are
here. While here we
hope you will feel
welcome and
find the service
meaningful.

Childcare (infants
through 4 year olds)
is available. Worship
boxes for younger
children to borrow
during worship are
located at the entrance.

— **We Gather for Worship** —

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

— **We Become Still Before God** —

Use this time to quiet your mind, to turn your thoughts from the week's activities to God. Allow the opening music and prayer of preparation to turn your focus to God. Listen for God's spirit calling you into the Divine presence. Say to yourself, "I am here to meet God. Nothing else matters for now. God is important." Be still and know that God is God.

A PRAYER OF PREPARATION – (*Prayer to offer up silently*)
Desiderius Erasmus (1466-1536)

O Lord Jesus Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life: Do not let us stray from you, the Way, nor to distrust you, the Truth, nor to rest in anything other than you, the Life.

— **We Are Called Into God's Presence** —

CALL TO WORSHIP – (*Psalm 1*)

Leader: Happy are they who have not walked into the dark and sinful way.

People: But find delight in the law of the Lord, and on this law they meditate day and night.

Leader: They are like trees planted by streams of water, flourishing bearing wholesome fruit.

People: The wicked are cast aside and lost to their own dark despair. The righteous find themselves redeemed, and heirs to God's all-knowing grace.

All: Lord, fill us with a love of your wisdom that we may bear fruit in the beauty of holiness; through Christ, the way, the truth, and the life.

*OPENING SONG

Spirit Song

John Wimber

Oh let the Son of God enfold you with His Spirit and His love.

Let Him fill your heart and satisfy your soul

**Oh let Him have those things that hold you and His Spirit like a dove
Will descend upon your life and make you whole.**

Chorus: Jesus, oh Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

Jesus, oh Jesus, come and fill Your lambs.

**Oh come and sing this song with gladness,
As your hearts are filled with joy.**

Lift your hands in sweet surrender to His name.
Oh give Him all your tears and sadness,
Give Him all your years of pain,
And you'll enter into life in Jesus' name (Chorus)

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John Wimber

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— We Confess —

*In the presence of a
forgiving God,
We become aware of the
ways we fall short
of God's best hopes
for us, and ways we
have hurt others.
As you pray the prayer
of confession; think
how the words express
specific sins in your
life and the life of the
church. We turn to God
asking forgiveness.*

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O gracious and merciful God, we come before you today confessing of our sins. You are the source of our salvation, yet we often look for our wholeness and salvation in other places. We give ourselves to things that do not matter in your eyes and deny those things that have eternal significance. Lord, you call us to be students of your word; yet activities and other obligations often replace our time of study and prayer. We struggle to accomplish all that needs to be done in a day, leaving little time to be in your presence. Lord, in your mercy forgive what we have been, help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

RESPONSE TO THE CONFESSION

Change My Heart, O God

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

You are the Potter, I am the clay.

mold me and make me, this is what I pray.

Change my heart, O God, make it ever true.

Change my heart, O God, may I be like You.

— We Are Forgiven —

*Claim the truth that
through God's grace
and Christ giving of
himself on the cross,
we are forgiven. Let this
truth set you free
from your sins so you
may be restored to
God and one another.*

DECLARATION OF PARDON

RESPONSE TO THE PARDON

Great Is the Lord

Great is the Lord, He is holy and just,

By His power we trust in his love.

Great is the Lord, He is faithful and true,

By His mercy He proves He is love.

Great is the Lord, and worthy of glory!

Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise!

Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice,

Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great is the Lord.

— We Hear God's Word —

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

ANTHEM

Ed Martel, Organist

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

READING FROM THE WORD OF GOD – 2 Timothy 3:15-17

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God

People: **Thanks be to God.**

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Sermon

Bible Informs

Rev. Rod Stone

*All children are invited
to come forward for the
Children's Moment.*

*The Scripture bears
witness to the word of
God. Listen beyond the
human word for the
Word of God. Pray that
the Spirit will speak to
you through the text.*

— We Believe —

*AFFIRMING OUR FAITH – *The Apostle's Creed*

Leader: Do you believe in God, the Father Almighty?

People: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.**

Leader: Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

People: **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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.**

Leader: Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

People: **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.**

*All Scripture is God-
breathed and is useful
for teaching, rebuking,
correcting and training
in righteousness, so
that the servant of God
may be thoroughly
equipped for every
good work.
2 Timothy 3:16-17*

*The affirmation of
faith invites us to join
with God's people
everywhere in claiming
our faith in God as
our Creator, Redeemer
and Sustainer. It also
reminds us to go out
and publicly proclaim
our faith in God.*

— We Offer Our Prayers —

THE LORD'S PRAYER AND PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

— We Share Our Gifts —

Generosity Transforms You, Others and The Church

OFFERING OUR GIFTS

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY

*The giving of an offering
not only supports the
ministry of Christ
but it is the symbolic
dedication of our life
and all that we have to
give to God in response
to his love. Remember
that all things belong to
God, and that we are
entrusted to use all
that we have to bring
glory to God.*

*Our worship does
not end at the
conclusion of this
service. We go forth
to love and serve the
LORD in daily living.
In so doing, we seek to
fulfill our mission to
“love God and make
God’s love known”.*

FRIENDSHIP RECORD

*CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Doxology

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above the Heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen**

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN – #391

Take My Life and Let It Be

— We Go Out to Be God’s Presence in the World —

*BENEDICTION

*As you leave this place and go into the world, remember that you are a child of God.
You belong to God and are loved. Leave with confidence, love and compassion.*

THE POSTLUDE

The Postlude is considered the final Alleluia of Worship

*Please stand if you are able.

Ushers: Carole Base, Susan Lockley, Bob Burton

Greeter: Butch and Pat Lackey

Audio: Scott Brewton

Holy Grounds: Bill and Jane Coley

— Community Happenings —

Weekly Calendar

Sunday

10:30 a.m. Worship – Sanctuary

Monday

1:30 p.m. Dementia Meeting – Fannie B. Gray Parlor
5:00 p.m. Designing Women – Fannie B. Gray Parlor
6:30 p.m. Barbershop – Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m. Worship Committee Meeting – Great Room

Tuesday

8:00 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast – Off Campus
4:00 p.m. Worship Staff Meeting – Rod's Office
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 7 – Fellowship Hall

Wednesday

Thursday

8:00 a.m. Meeting – Fellowship Hall
10:00 a.m. Presbyterian Purls – Everette House
11:00 a.m. CALL Tutors – Great Room
2:30 p.m. PAWS – Fellowship Hall
5:45 p.m. Choir Rehearsal – Fellowship Hall

Friday

8:30 a.m. Prayer Garden
12:00 p.m. Set-up Fellowship Hall

Saturday

12:00 p.m. Set-up Fellowship Hall

Worship Schedule

September 25 Sanctuary
October 2 Sanctuary
October 9 Fellowship Hall
October 16 Fellowship Hall
October 23 Fellowship Hall
October 30 Sanctuary

New Members Needed for the Property and Grounds Committee

The Property and Grounds Committee of this church is now welcoming new members. The purpose of the Property and Grounds committee is to oversee the operation, maintenance, safety and security of all buildings, grounds, furnishings and equipment owned by the church. The work of this committee is important in ensuring anyone who passes, comes onto the property or enters the building will find an attractive, safe, comfortable, easily accessible and clean environment. This committee provides for the good stewardship of our building and grounds. If you are interested in being part of this important work, please contact Rod Stone at (910) 295-6848 or rstone@communitypres.com

WANTED!!!

**Fabulous chili makers
to get into the
contest for our Fall Festival
on October 2nd!!**

**Call or email
Sheila Van Dyke at
(910) 215-8738 or
thevandykes@centurylink.net**





Celebrate Community with our **Fall Festival**

Save the date:
October 2, 2022
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Fellowship Hall will have tempting foods & drink selections, Chili Cook Off, music, activities, presentations, outdoor games and our Bounce House.

To volunteer call Sue Ann Summers at (714) 803-9633 and/or tomandsueannsummers@yahoo.com

Coordinator – Joanna Oakley

Members, visitors, guests, all are welcome!

Please sign up so we have food for all by calling Sally in the church office at (910) 295-6848



Book-Warm

The Mission Committee warmly reminds you to consider a Book-Warm donation in support of our mission project benefitting the Brookside community! Your donation will help us shop in preparation for a hands-on mission project taking place during the October 2nd Celebrating Community Fall Festival. **Donations can be made via offertory (labeled "mission project") and are due today.** Thank you for your generosity, and join us October 2nd for food, fellowship, activities, and service!



Needed

CALL needs some help with picking up students from Aberdeen Elementary with the church van on Tuesdays. You would need to be on school grounds by 2:15 p.m., pick-up nine students and bring them to CPC fellowship hall. Some of the CALL moms need childcare while they are in class from 3-4:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and we need a sitter from these young ones. When the students arrive we offer them a snack. The snacks will be in Everette House and Fellowship Hall Kitchen. This entails setting out the snack, clean-up, and putting supplies away. If you feel called to help with this exciting tutoring program please let me know – Betty Pope, (910) 639-1185 or email popeelizabeth3868@gmail.com. Gracias.

Finance Committee Report

We are now entering the second half of the year in our budget of \$896,572. Thanks to everyone for all of your efforts. If you have any questions, please contact Marie Carbrey, Finance chair at (843) 307-1614 or at mcarbrey@aol.com.

YTD Operating Income/Expense Comparison Report as of August 31,2022: CPC Finance Report 8/31/22

	Actual	Budget	
Total Operating Income	\$571,099	\$621,875	Short – \$50,776
Total Operating Expenses	\$499,421*	\$597,714	Expenses are under – \$98,293
Income vs. Expenses	\$71,678	\$24,161	Income is above budget – \$47,518

*There will be year end expenses particularly for the Mission Committee, so the difference will be closer to budget figure.

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Friday – Closed

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