

## Charles Town Presbyterian Church

Sunday, October 1, 2023
10:30 AM

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Welcome and Announcements

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Call to Worship Psalm 98:1-4
Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.
The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!
*Hymn "All People That on Earth Do Dwell" No. 385

Prayer of Confession (in unison)
Holy God, we confess to you: We are not of the same mind. We do not share the same love. We act in selfish ambition and do not regard others as better than ourselves. We have not looked to the interests of others instead of ourselves. We do not embrace the humility of Jesus Christ. Forgive us. Continue to be at work in us, that we might serve each other as you served us, and reflect your glory in this world.


## Today's Scripture Reading

## Acts 11:1-18

11 Now the apostles and the brothers who were throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God. ${ }^{2}$ So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcision party criticized him, saying, 3 "You went to uncircumcised men and ate with them." 4 But Peter began and explained it to them in order: 5 "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision, something like a great sheet descending, being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to me. ${ }^{6}$ Looking at it closely, I observed animals and beasts of prey and reptiles and birds of the air. 7 And I heard a voice saying to me, 'Rise, Peter; kill and eat.' ${ }^{8}$ But I said, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing common or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' ${ }^{9}$ But the voice answered a second time from heaven, 'What God has made clean, do not call common.' ${ }^{10}$ This happened three times, and all was drawn up again into heaven. ${ }^{11}$ And behold, at that very moment three men arrived at the house in which we were, sent to me from Caesarea. ${ }^{12}$ And the Spirit told me to go with them, making no distinction. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. ${ }^{13}$ And he told us how he had seen the angel stand in his house and say, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon who is called Peter; ${ }^{14}$ he will declare to you a message by which you will be saved, you and all your household.' ${ }^{15}$ As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell on them just as on us at the beginning. ${ }^{16}$ And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ${ }^{17}$ If then God gave the same gift to them as he gave to us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could stand in God's way?" ${ }^{18}$ When they heard these things they fell silent. And they glorified God, saying, "Then to the Gentiles also God has granted repentance that leads to life."

| Sunday, October 1-World Communion | Thursday, October 5 |
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| 9:00am Education Hour (all ages) | 2:30pm FCHC |
| 10:30am Worship Celebration | 5:30pm Friendship Meal Ministry |
| 11:30am Children's Choir | Friday, October 6 |
| 3:oopm Kids Group |  |
|  | 7:30am A.A. Meeting |
| Monday, October 2 did |  |
| 5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri) | Saturday, October 7 |
| 7:30am A.A. Meeting |  |
| 5:00pm Prayer Group | Sandwich Fundraiser |
| 7:30pm A.A. Meeting | 5:30pm Friendship Ministry Meal <br> 8:00pm A.A. Meeting |
| Tuesday, October 3 |  |
| 1:00pm Silver Bells | Sunday, October 8 |
| 6:30pm A.A. District Meeting | 9:00am Education Hour (all ages) |
| 7:00pm Mission \& Outreach | 10:30am Worship Celebration |
|  | 11:30am Children's Choir |
| Wednesday, October 4 | 2:00pm Blessing of the Animals @ Zion |
| 12:oopm Zoom Bible Study | 3:oopm Kids Group |
| 6:30pm Geneva Ringers |  |
| 7:00pm CAV Meeting |  |
| 7:15pm Choir |  |
| 8:oopm A.A. Meeting |  |

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

We Warmly Welcome Visitors in the name of our Lord. We invite you to tell us more about yourself by filling out a visitor's card, and placing it in the offering plate located in the narthex.

Today's flowers in the narthex are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert \& Sally Saylor and Robert \& Iris Dibbern by Marsha and Dennis Dibbern.

Meals-on-Wheels Soup, Sandwich and Bake Sale next Saturday, October 7th, 9am2pm. New soup this year is Chicken Corn Chowder! Meals-on-Wheels is in need of volunteers to help Monday-Friday for packing meals (8am-10am) and delivering meals (10am -Noon) We have five areas in Jefferson County that we deliver to and need drivers for all of them. Please call (304-725-1601) or stop by the kitchen of the Charles Town Presbyterian Church. We are open $8 \mathrm{am}-1 \mathrm{pm}$

Blessing of the Animals on Sunday, October 8th, 2:0opm, at Zion Episcopal Church, in the backyard. For safety of all the animals, all pets must be on a leash or in a pet car rier. Donations of pet food, litter and other items will be accepted for the Animal Welfare Socie ty of Jeff. Co. Rain or shine.

Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner. Get your tickets now from any Yokefellow and plan to join us on Saturday, October 28th, 4:30-7:00 pm, for fresh pork BBQ, slaw, mac \& cheese, baked bean, desserts, and drinks provided. Tickets: $\$ 15.00$ adults; $\$ 7.00$ children under 12 years; Free children under 3 years. Proceeds from the dinner go to church ministries.

CTPC trunk-or-treat! The event will take place on Sunday, October 29th, from 3PM to 5PM. Please contact garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org if you would like to display a trunk, and we look forward to seeing your spooky (but not too spooky) costumes there!

Worship Help Needed. We need help running the technology used in worship each week. We are seeking two or three people to help run the PowerPoint slides and the camera for our live broadcast. These are fairly simple tasks, and we provide training. Please speak with Pastor John or Roger Snook if you can help.
Mission and Outreach. Our Mission and Outreach Committee is involved in several projects but we need assistance. Will you help with one of the following? Assisting with at least one Friendship Meal, which is served the first Saturday of each month; Writing letters or sending cards to our missionaries, shut-ins, and others in our church family; Leading or Assisting with our "Sock-It-To-Me" campaign to collect socks for the Jefferson County Community Ministrie during November; Helping as our church serves food and drink to those attending the Charles Town Christmas Parade. Please contact Doyle Criswell at 502.718.6411 or doyle.criswell@att.net

Online giving helps you to bring your offering before God in a simple, and secure way. You can choose from The Presbyterian Foundation, Facebook, or PayPal, each of which have a nomina fee that you can include as part of your gift. The Presbyterian Foundation fee does help the organization's mission, and you can easily use a mobile app (Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement on Google Play/Apple AppStore) to set up for repeating or one time giving. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Donation options and tax information at www.ctpres.org tions, please contact the

The flower chart for 2023 is available for sign up. It is located on the bulletin board by the church office or call at 304-725-5316. If you would like to donate your flowers for the deacons to deliver to a shut-in or someone in the hospital, please call the church office.

## JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Tim Casserly, Sharon Criswell, Brooklyn Farmer, Hoyle Fulbright Michelle Hart, Jackson Smith, Evan Longerbeam.

Anniversaries this week: Jonathan \& Vicki Burns.
Prayer Concerns: U.S. troops serving worldwide. Please continue to pray for those who are sick. Missionaries supported by CTPC: Drake Williams, Mark Hare in Haiti, Michael \& Cathy Sander in Eswatini. Please keep these faithful servants in prayer. Those persons admitted to the hospital or nursing home seeking a visit from Pastor John must have a family member make contact with the church office. HIPAA law prohibits hospitals from member make contact with the

Last Sunday Worship: In -person -54; Nursery-4; Virtual Views-76.
Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934.
General Offering: \$2,005; Designated Offerings: Sunday School-\$51; Hunger-\$127; Help Fund-\$370; Fellowship Fundraiser (Memorial)-\$320.

Ushers for October: Debbie Henshaw (head), Sue Flanagan (counter) Ushers for November: Doug McDonough (head), Anne Portrey (counter)

## TPC Upcoming Events

October 1st:
October 7th:
October 8th:
October 28th:
October 29th:
November 1st:
November 22nd:
November 23rd:
November 24th:
December 3rd:
December 10th:
December 21st:
December 24th:
December 25th:
December 26th:
January 1st:
January 2nd:
World Communion Sunday
Meals-on-Wheels Soup \& Sandwich Fundraiser
Blessing of the Animals at Zion Episcopal Church 2:00pm
Yokefellows BBQ Dinner 4:30-7:oopm
Trunk or Treat 3-5:00pm
Life Line Screening 8-5:00pm
Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:oopm
Happy Thanksgiving-OFFICE CLOSED
OFFICE CLOSED
Advent Celebration following worship
Christmas Joy Service 3:00pm
Longest Night Service 7:00pm
Christmas Eve Service 5:00pm
Merry Christmas! - OFFICE CLOSED
OFFICE CLOSED
Happy New Year! No Sunday School
Worship at 10:30am
OFFICE CLOSED
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