\*Sung Response

"Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty" No. 1 (vs. 4)

\*Prayer of Thanksgiving

"Lord Speak to Me That I May Speak" \*Hymn No. 722

Our sending is a recommitment to the mission of Charles Town Presbyterian

\*Sending

Brothers and sisters, as the Church of Jesus Christ, go from this place...

Knowing Christ, growing in God's love, and serving as the Holy Spirit leads.

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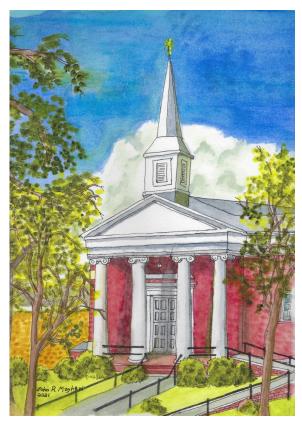
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# CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Sunday, June 23, 2024 10:30 AM





Please use this time to quietly prepare for worship.

Please be sure to silence your cell phones

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

"Lord, Speak to Me, that I May Speak"

(© 2005 FJH Music Company) arr. Shelley Henderson Houser In the setting of Franz Lizst's Liebestraum

Songs listed with "No." are found in the purple hymnal. Songs listed with "LUYH" are found in the light blue songbook.

Call to Worship

Psalm 138:1-4

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;

I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word.

On the day I called, you answered me; my strength of soul vou increased.

All the kings of the earth shall give you thanks, O Lord, for they have heard the words of your mouth.

When this symbol (\*) precedes an element of the service, please rise in body or spirit.

\*Hymn

"Awesome God"

LUYH No. 23

"Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord"

LUYH No. 48

Confessing our sins brings us to a place of humility, allowing us to hear God more clearly as we worship.

Prayer of Confession (in unison)

Almighty God, we are grateful you have called us to everlasting life in Christ. We confess, O Lord, that we struggle to take up our cross and follow. We fear the insults of the world, we struggle with sin, and we are sometimes scared to obey you. Forgive us, and help us each day to walk more closely with you. Amen.

Silent Confession Assurance of Pardon... Friends, believe the good news of the gospel, In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. \*Sung Response to Confession "Grace Greater than Our Sin" (see screen) The congregation responds in song because God hears our Children's Moment **Garth Stevens-Jennings** connects us to God and to one Special Music "It Is Well" Anne Portrey written by the Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer apostles the Reflects the faith church. It has "Be Thou My Vision" \*Hymn No. 450 attaining its during the 8th Scripture Acts 26:1-11, 24-29 p. 1111 Please pass the "Changing Plans" Message Pastor John offering plate to uour neighbors in your pew. Offering is our Sharing of our Gifts and Offerings response to all tĥat God has **Musical Offering** arr. Melody Bober "Be Thou My Vision" (© 2000 The FJH Music Company) offering allows us time to reflect

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**Notes:** 

# The week ahead at Charles Town Presbyterian Church

#### Sunday, June 23

9:00am Education Hour (all ages)
10:30am Worship Celebration
2:30-4:00pm Youth Group
4:00-5:30pm Kids Group

#### Monday, June 24

5:30-1:00pm Meals on Wheels (Mon-Fri)

7:30am A.A. Meeting

7:00pm Capital Campaign (Zoom)

7:30pm A.A. Meeting

#### Tuesday, June 25

10:30am Prayer Group 12:00pm Basic Music 1:00pm Silver Bells

#### Wednesday, June 26

6:30pm Geneva Ringers 7:00pm CAV Meeting 8:00pm A.A. Meeting

# Thursday, June 27

2:30pm FCHC 5:30pm Friendship Meal Ministry

#### Friday, June 28

7:30am A.A. Meeting

#### Saturday, June 29

11:00am Beeson/Fellowship Hall 8:00pm A.A. Meeting

#### Sunday, June 30

9:00am Education Hour (all ages) 10:30am Worship Celebration

2:30-4:00pm Youth Group 4:00-5:30pm Kids Group

## Today's Scripture Reading Acts 26:1-11; 24-29

**26** So Agrippa said to Paul, "You have permission to speak for yourself." Then Paul stretched out his hand and made his defense:

<sup>2</sup> "I consider myself fortunate that it is before you, King Agrippa, I am going to make my defense today against all the accusations of the Jews, <sup>3</sup> especially because you are familiar with all the customs and controversies of the Jews. Therefore I beg you to listen to me patiently.

4"My manner of life from my youth, spent from the beginning among my own nation and in Jerusalem, is known by all the Jews. <sup>5</sup>They have known for a long time, if they are willing to testify, that according to the strictest party of our religion I have lived as a Pharisee. <sup>6</sup>And now I stand here on trial because of my hope in the promise made by God to our fathers, <sup>7</sup>to which our twelve tribes hope to attain, as they earnestly worship night and day. And for this hope I am accused by Jews, O king! <sup>8</sup>Why is it thought incredible by any of you that God raises the dead?

<sup>9</sup>"I myself was convinced that I ought to do many things in opposing the name of Jesus of Nazareth. <sup>10</sup> And I did so in Jerusalem. I not only locked up many of the saints in prison after receiving authority from the chief priests, but when they were put to death I cast my vote against them. <sup>11</sup> And I punished them often in all the synagogues and tried to make them blaspheme, and in raging fury against them I persecuted them even to foreign cities.

<sup>24</sup> And as he was saying these things in his defense, Festus said with a loud voice, "Paul, you are out of your mind; your great learning is driving you out of your mind." <sup>25</sup> But Paul said, "I am not out of my mind, most excellent Festus, but I am speaking true and rational words. <sup>26</sup> For the king knows about these things, and to him I speak boldly. For I am persuaded that none of these things has escaped his notice, for this has not been done in a corner. <sup>27</sup> King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know that you believe." <sup>28</sup> And Agrippa said to Paul, "In a short time would you persuade me to be a Christian?" <sup>29</sup> And Paul said, "Whether short or long, I would to God that not only you but also all who hear me this day might become such as I am—except for these chains."

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>We Warmly Welcome Visitors</u> 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.

<u>Six-cents a meal</u> offering will be collected today to benefit the Presbyterian Hunger Program.

Next Sunday, June 30th, is 5th Sunday, the loose offering collected will go to the Pastor's Help Fund.

While the choirs may take a little summer break, the music program at CTPC does not. Available to members and friends are classes for handbells, piano, basic music, and the new and exciting percussion class for those 60 years of age and older! Please be sure to get those sign-up sheets into Penny Liston ASAP! If you have a special musical gift you'd like to share in worship during the month of July, please let Penny Liston know!

June 1st—July 1st is our Music Ministry Quilt raffle. Jeannette Tabb made and donated a beautiful "Visions of WV" quilt to raffle with the proceeds to our music ministry program. See any choir member for tickets or contact the church office. This beautiful quilt will be on display in the Hospitality area. The winning ticket will be drawn on July 1st.

**Hello Summer**! Join us in the Hospitality Center after worship on Sunday, June 30th, for a "Hello Summer" kick-off! Ice cream, popsicles and other surprises! Hosted by the Worship team.

Mark your calendars! VBS will be Monday, July 15-Thursday, July 18, from 9:00am - 12:00 noon. The theme will be "SCUBA- diving into friendship with God". Scuba will take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. Any questions, please feel free to contact Garth Stevens-Jennings (304-725-5316 or garthstevens-jennings@ctpres.org) or Marsha Dibbern (304-728-2278 or marshad-ib@juno.com).

Capital Campaign Update: Dear Congregation Family, thank you for participating in our shared Sunday School Hour's facilities walkthrough which identified over 60 items that we could improve with your Capital Campaign contributions. There are a handful of items that don't cost us anything, and in 2024 you should look for some scheduled work days to help out in sharing your time to complete. For those wanting to make a difference sooner, you can contribute to the Capital Campaign now through your usual donation method or via the no-fee Pay-Pal Giving Fund <a href="https://paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/3122728">https://paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/3122728</a>.

**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.

<u>The CTPC Hospitality Center</u> has created this wish list to assist in maintenance and growth. All donations greatly appreciated!



A nursery is available for children ages 2-5. Please see an usher if you want more information.

Community Cup Coffee and More is a new worshiping community started last year by Shenandoah Presbytery, and is located in a coffee shop on Burke Street in Martinsburg. This ministry hopes to reach people who may not be comfortable in traditional worship settings. Community Cup worship happens on Friday nights, and they are looking for volunteers to help set up, clean up, and assist in other ways. If you are interested, please contact Pastor Dwight McCormick at <a href="mailto:preachercomic@gmail.com">preachercomic@gmail.com</a>.

The flower chart for 2024 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.

The Discipleship and Family Ministry Committee is seeking an additional attendant for our nursery. This is a paid position to be filled on Sunday mornings from 10:00AM-12:00 noon. We are looking for a Christian individual, 18 years or older, who loves and respects children and is able to provide for their care during the time that parents or caregivers are worshiping. Please contact the church office if you know of someone who would be a good fit for this position. <a href="mailto:ctpres@ctpres.org">ctpres.org</a>.

**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 nominal 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 (http://www.ctpres.org).

#### JOYS AND CONCERNS

Birthdays this week: Hartley Tetro, Matthew Fowler, Sandra Littleton, Carley Duncan, Henry Christie.

Anniversaries this week: Andy & Roxanne Noland.

<u>Prayer Concerns</u>: 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 divulging their patient roster.

<u>Last Sunday Worship</u>: In-person –62; Nursery—3; Virtual Views—107

Weekly Congregational Giving Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. General Offering: \$1,925; Designated Offerings: Sunday School—\$10; Loose—\$76; Help Fund—\$20; Quilt Raffle—\$320.

<u>Ushers for June</u>: Brooks Kursey (head), Kaz Feldstein (counter) <u>Ushers for July</u>: Alex Bethard (head), Kaz Feldstein (counter)

#### **CTPC Upcoming Events**:

June 29th:

July 1st:

Life Line Screening 8-5:00pm

July 4th:

OFFICE CLOSED—July 4th

July 15-July 18th:

Vacation Bible School 9am-Noon

August 11th: Pastor John's 20th Anniversary Celebration

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