



Service for the Lord's Day

September 10, 2023

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Cahaba Springs . . .

Is a church where all people
are welcomed and cared for,
empowered to grow spiritually,
and equipped to serve God
and each other in meaningful ways

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

GATHERING OF THE PEOPLE

**Please stand, as you are able*

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Haley Crew

Prelude

Chorale Prelude on LOBE DEN HERREN
"Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of Creation"

James Pethel

***Call to Worship**

One Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Many: This day is God's gift to us.

One: Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Many: God has graciously gathered us together in this place.

One: Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Many: God is good and faithful. God is worthy of our praise.

*** Hymn 611**

Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee

HYMN TO JOY

***Prayer of Invocation (Unison)**

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Almighty God, in Jesus Christ you called disciples and, by the Holy Spirit, made them one church to serve you. Let your Spirit rule your church, so that we may be joined in love and service to Jesus Christ, who, having gone before us, is coming to meet us in the promise of your kingdom. Amen.

A Moment with the Children

Children may choose to go to Junior Church after Children's Sermon

CONFESSING TO GOD

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession (Unison)

Merciful God, in Jesus, our risen Lord, we have seen your glory. Yet our sinfulness often blocks out the light of Christ. We are quick to accuse and slow to confess. We find faults easily in others while ignoring our own shortcomings. We have squandered your gifts. We have turned from your ways. We have ignored your Word. Have mercy on us, compassionate God. Pour out your Holy Spirit on our sinful lives. Wash us with your love and cleanse us with your grace that day by day we might move closer to the people you would have us be. Amen.

Moment of Silent Reflection

Assurance of Pardon

* Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
world without end. Amen, amen.

PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

Prayer of Illumination

Haley Crew

First Reading

Romans 13-8-14

8 Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. 11 Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; 12 the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; 13 let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. 14 Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

The Word of God for the People of God.

Thanks be to God.

Anthem

They Shall Soar Like Eagles

Laura Manzo

They shall soar like eagles, rise up and soar like eagles.
They who wait upon the Lord shall not be weary.
They shall never stumble, but gain new strength and power.
They who wait upon the Lord.
Those who are weary and burdened with sorrow,
need not despair there is hope for tomorrow.
God will be there each time you call on Him.
They shall soar like eagles, rise up and soar like eagles.
They who wait upon the Lord shall not be weary.
They shall never stumble, but gain new strength and power.
They who wait upon the Lord.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

15 "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. 16 But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. 17 If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. 18 Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. 19 Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

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Sermon

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Hymn 69

Here I Am, Lord

HERE I AM

RESPONDING TO GOD’S GRACE

Commissioning of Karen O’Brien and Cindy Brackenbury

One: There is one body and one Spirit, just as we were called to the one hope of our calling,
Many **one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Creator of all, who is above all and through all and in all.**

One: We are called by God to the church of Jesus Christ, a sign in the world today of what God intends for all humankind.

Many: **The great ends of the Church are the proclamation of the gospel for the salvation of humankind; the shelter, nurture, and spiritual fellowship of the children of God; the maintenance of divine worship; the preservation of the truth; the promotion of social righteousness; and the exhibition of the Kingdom of Heaven to the world.**

***Affirmation of Faith** (*Unison*)

(from A Brief Statement of Faith)

We trust in God the Holy Spirit, everywhere the giver and renewer of life. The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith, sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor, and binds us together with all believers in the one body of Christ, the Church. In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage to pray without ceasing, to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior, to unmask idolatries in Church and culture, to hear the voices of peoples long silenced, and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace. In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives, even as we watch for God’s new heaven and new earth, praying, “Come, Lord Jesus!” With believers in every time and place, we rejoice that nothing in life or in death can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Call for the Offering

Offertory

A Quiet Place

Mark Phillips

*** The Doxology**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him all creatures here below;
praise him above ye heavenly host;
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*** Prayer of Dedication**

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Prayers of the People

Silent Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

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.

SENDING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

*** Sending Hymn 761**

Called as Partners in Christ's Service

BEECHER

*** Charge and Blessing**

And all God's children say,
"Alleluia! Amen!"

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Choral Benediction

Go with Us, Lord

TALLIS' CANON

*** Postlude**

Finale

Denis Eliot

Liturgy provided the The Presbyterian Outlook, written by John Wurster

Welcome to Cahaba Springs

We warmly welcome you to worship this morning at Cahaba Springs! To learn more about our worship, learning, fellowship, and service opportunities, please pick up a copy of our calendar in the entryway or visit us online at cspchurch.org. We encourage you to participate in any opportunity that interests you and hope you will return often.

Children: We welcome children of all ages in worship. Childcare is also available during worship, staffed by experienced workers. During the 11:00 am service, children are invited forward for a special message during *A Moment with the Children*, then may continue to worship with their family or go to Junior Church. Worship bags for children are available in the Narthex.

Communion: All are welcome at the table as we celebrate the Lord's Supper on the first Sunday of each month. If you prefer to remain seated during communion, an elder will be glad to bring the elements to you.

Offering: Offerings may be placed in the offering plates that will be passed around during the offertory, or you may give securely online through eOffering - an information sheet on eOffering is on the table in the entryway.

PRAYER CONCERNS

for our church family...

Agnes Dauphinee	Nellie Songer	Margaret Linville	Wayne Hughins
Melissa Scholl	Jim Gillespie	Joan Lowery	Tom Lowery
Edward Giddens	Serena Jenkins	Jean Camp	Carol Brown
Ed Swartz, Jr.	Cecile Floyd	Chuck Smith	Betty Quattlebaum
Kay Prevatt	Rosemary Holcomb	Julie Smith	

for our extended family...

Lisa Kraymer Smith	Jennifer Lee	Grayson Pope	Sonia Burrage
Louis Scholl	Heather Hawkins	Virginia Yarbrough	Leslie Speakman
Joy Martin	Don McCants	Eleanor Garner	Jeff Strickland
Matthias	Ophelia Nichols	Gene Eades	Bobby Hoglund
Shelley Easterling	Barry Parvin	Aaron Dailey	Cindi Wesley
Mason Ford	Pat & Vicky McCann	Perry Johnson	Laura Stalls
Laura Rainey	C. J. Fonte	Debbie Lambert	Deborah Braswell
Tommy Robbins	Carol Bos	Amy Baughman	Andy Lewis
Nancy Carlisle	Bill Little	Howard Newman	Gene McKean
David Narkates			

If you need someone to drive you to doctor appointments or other necessary places, please call the church office. We have a list of people that will be glad to assist you.

September Happenings at Cahaba Springs

PHFC Workday – Wednesday, September 13th. We will meet at CSPC parking lot and leave for the Home at 8:30. There will be a dedication from 2-4 PM of our six new Union Village cottages. These are the cottages that house Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind workers. The ceremony will feature Talladega and AIDB officials, representatives from the granting agencies that support Union Village, and our own PHFC leaders. Come work and stay the day, or just arrange to attend the ceremony. We'd like to see our church represented by folks wearing our blue T-shirts! Please confirm availability with George Fritsma.

Trussville Dog Daze – Saturday, September 16th. We will once again have a booth this year and need volunteers to serve 1-2 hours from 10-4. Please see Karen O'Brien or Lynda McLean if you can help.

PW Monthly Luncheon & Study – Sunday, September 17th immediately following worship. We will be studying Chapter 1 of *Sacred Encounters: The Power and Presence of Jesus Christ in Luke-Acts* by Olive Mahabir.

Living Waters of the World Mission Trip – September 17-23. Please be in prayer for Cindy Brackenbury and Karen O'Brien as they will be traveling to the Dominican Republic to help with the installation of water purification systems bringing clear water to an area in need.

XYZ Monthly Luncheon – Tuesday, September 19th at 11:30 AM in *Harmony Hall*. This will be a covered dish meal, so please bring your favorite dish to share. Afterwards, Ron Dauphinee will present a program on pirates.

Stated Session Meeting – Tuesday, September 19th in the Conference Room.

TEAM Food Collection – Sunday, September 24th. Please bring nonperishable food items for TEAM in Trussville.

CSPC Book Club – Tuesday, September 26th at 5:30 PM in the Conference Room. This month's discussion will be on *The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo* by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

Upcoming Mission Opportunities:

Presbytery of Sheppards & Lapsley 2023 Habitat House: Construction starts Sept 14. Volunteers aged 14+ are needed on Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. There is plenty to do so no construction experience is necessary! We will find out where the home is this month. Please contact Haley Crew for more information and watch for sign-up sheets in the Narthex coming soon!

Presbyterian Home for Children: The next workday at the home/thrift store is scheduled for September 13. Please contact George Fritsma to join the team on a workday!

Donations to the thrift store including usable furniture, furnishings, items, and gently used clothing, etc. can be dropped off at the following locations:

Mountain Brook Presbyterian Church parking lot: third Friday of each month from 9:00 am–12 pm.

Southminster Presbyterian parking lot: first Saturday of each month from 9:30 am–12:30 pm.

Living Waters for the World empowers everyday people to change lives through clean water. They train, equip and support volunteers in forming global, clean-water mission partnerships. These mission partnerships empower international communities to install and sustain water purification systems and health education programs that transform lives.

Cindy Brackenbury and Karen O'Brien will be traveling to the Dominican Republic in September to help with the installation of water purification systems bringing clean water to an area in need. To receive a link to the Prayer Calendar for their trip please leave your email address on the form in Narthex.

Do you know of a mission opportunity? Want to serve but not sure how? Contact a member of the Missions Team for more information!

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Classes Offered at Cahaba Springs

Reel to Real – Sundays at 9:30 AM in *Harmony Hall* led by Steve Goodwin. This is a discussion class based on movies and how they relate to us biblically. Some of the movies we will be discussing include:

Sept. 10 – *Shadowlands*

Sept. 17 -- *Shawshank*

Sept. 24 – *Simon Burch*

Oct. 1 – *Treasure of the Sierra Madre*

Oct. 8 – *The Crow*

Growing in Grace & Gratitude -- Sundays at 9:30 AM. *The children grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the (grace) of God was upon them. – Luke 2:40.* Children nurtured in the love and grace of God learn the story of who and whose they are by watching, listening, tasting, smelling, playing, and exploring holy things in the context of a faith community. We welcome the children as God's beloved who will seek to follow Christ. We are in need of teachers, so if you would like to serve, please see Karen Brown or Linda Inzer. Please see below a schedule of teachers that have volunteered:

Sept. – Jennifer Smith

Oct. – Haley Crew

Nov. – Liz Hughins

Dec. – Linda Inzer

Thursdays Together – Thursdays at 10:00 AM in the Conference Room led by George Fritsma. We are studying *It Was on Fire When I Lay Down on It* by Robert Fulghum. Quoting a man rescued from a burning bed, the title is a clue to the merriment in some of the essays collected here, inviting readers to laugh as they empathize with those who put themselves in absurd situations. These stories remind us that there is a clownish facet in everyone's character, one of the traits that make us human.

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