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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JUNE 12TH, 2022

*East Charlotte Pres is a church that strives to be defined by the Gospel-
inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.*

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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CARRIE DIRKS

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONGS OF PRAISE

ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

D. Crowder, W.H. Draper, B. Milligan

All creatures of our God and King, Lift up your voice and with us sing
O praise Him, Alleluia
Thou burning sun with golden beam, Thou silver moon with softer gleam
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heaven along
O praise Him, Alleluia
Thou rising morn in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening find a voice
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Let all things their Creator bless, And worship Him in humbleness
O praise Him, Alleluia
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, And praise the Spirit, Three in One
O praise Him, O praise Him, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

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O GREAT GOD

B. Kauffman

O great God of highest heav'n occupy my lowly heart
Own it all and reign supreme, conquer every rebel pow'r
Let no vice or sin remain that resists your holy war
You have loved and purchased me, make me yours forevermore

I was blinded by my sin, had no ears to hear your voice
Did not know your love within, had no taste for heaven's joys
Then your Spirit gave me life, opened up your word to me
Through the Gospel of your Son, gave me endless hope and peace

Help me now to live a life that's dependent on your grace
Keep my heart and guard my soul from the evils that I face
You are worthy to be praised with my every thought and deed
O great God of highest heav'n, glorify your name through me

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

TAILGATE TUESDAY – Join us in the church parking lot each Tuesday evening this summer from 6:30-8:00 pm for a time of fellowship and light games. BYOS (bring your own supper).

CHARLOTTE EAGLES BLOCK PARTY – Charlotte Eagles Summer Block Parties are BACK and ECPC is hosting! Block parties are one of the many ways that The Charlotte Eagles bring our community together, but more importantly share the gospel of Jesus with the refugee community that lives in the Forest Hill Apartments. We want to show the families living in East Charlotte that there are churches in the area that care about them, want to invest in them, and want to point them to Jesus and ECPC wants to be one of those churches! You are encouraged and invited to worship, eat, play soccer, and meet your neighbors in East Charlotte! Mark your calendar for Wednesday, July 13th from 6-8pm, and be on the lookout for a sign-up through the weekly email. If you have any questions and or interested in helping organize, please contact Stephanie Baker (937-581-1322, stephrbaker92@gmail.com).

ATHENS, GREECE MISSIONS INTEREST MEETING – Mark your calendars for August 2nd from 7-8pm at Raven Hill (1016 Timberlake Dr.) for an interest meeting for the upcoming missions trip to Athens, Greece in June 2023. Can't make it but still want to financially support the upcoming trip? Pick up a new ECPC t-shirt after today's service under the pavilion and make a suggested donation of \$10-\$100 that will go directly towards fundraising!

WOMEN'S WEDNESDAYS PRAYER NIGHT – The women of ECPC and their friends, neighbors, family members are welcome to meet together at the church to pray during the summer on the following Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm: July 13th (this date is subject to change!), 20th, 27th and August 10th. Come when you can - no RSVP necessary. This will be a time to pray through Scripture for our city, leaders, nation, families, friends, and each other. If you have questions, please connect with Holly Blackman (803-269-4428 or hollyblackman@gmail.com).

- TODAY AT ECPC -

9:30 AM	WORSHIP
11:00 AM	COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP
11:15 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL

WHILE NURSERY FOR CHILDREN INFANT THROUGH AGE 3 IS AVAILABLE, WE HAVE ALSO MADE A SPACE IN THE MODULE WITH COUCHES FOR NURSING MOMS. PLEASE FEEL FREE TO USE THIS SPACE AS NEEDED.

SONG OF RESPONSE

O Love that will not let me go
I rest my weary soul in Thee
I give Thee back the life I owe
That in Thine ocean depths it's flow
May richer fuller be

O Light that follow'st all my way
I yield my flick'ring torch to Thee
My heart restores its borrowed ray
That in Thy sunshine's blaze its day
May brighter, fairer be

O Joy that seekest me through pain
I cannot close my heart to Thee
I trace the rainbow through the rain
And feel the promise is not vain
That morn shall tearless be

O Cross that liftest up my head
I dare not ask to fly from Thee
I lay in dust life's glory dead
And from the ground there blossoms red
Life that shall endless be

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

O LOVE THAT WILL NOT LET ME GO

C. Miner | G. Matheson

CONFESSION OF SIN

BAILEY WAGNER

Our Father, forgive our sins. Forgive the sins that we remember, and the sins we have forgotten. Forgive our many failures in the face of temptation, and those times when we have been stubborn in the face of correction. Forgive the times we have been proud of our own achievements and those when we have failed to boast in your works. Forgive the harsh judgments we have made of others, and the leniency we have shown to ourselves. Forgive the lies we have told to others, and the truths we have avoided. Forgive us the pain we have caused others and the indulgence we have shown ourselves. Lord God, have mercy on us and make us whole. In Jesus Christ, our Savior's name, Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 JOHN 1:5-9

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

JESUS I AM RESTING RESTING

D.B. Hampton | J.S. Pigott

Jesus I am resting, resting, In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness, Of Thy loving heart
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, And Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole

chorus

*Jesus I am resting, resting, In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness, Of Thy loving heart*

Oh how great Thy loving kindness, Vaster broader than the sea
Oh how marvelous Thy goodness, Lavished all on me
Yes I rest in Thee Beloved, Know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know the certainty of promise, And have made it mine

Simply trusting Thee Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love so pure so changeless, satisfies my heart
Satisfies its deepest longings, Meets supplies its ev'ry need
Surrounding me with blessings, Thine is love indeed

Ever lift Thy face upon me, As I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, Earth's dark shadows flee
Brightness of my Father's glory, Sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting, resting, Fill me with Thy grace

IF YOU ARE VISITING WITH US THIS MORNING, WE ARE SO HAPPY THAT YOU ARE HERE AND
WOULD LOVE TO GET TO KNOW YOU BETTER! PLEASE CONSIDER FILLING OUT A VISITOR'S
CARD FOUND ON THE TABLE IN THE VESTIBULE AND PLACE IT IN THE OFFERING PLATE OR GIVE
TO TYLER OR ONE OF OUR OTHER OFFICERS. THANK YOU!

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

When I fear my faith will fail,
Christ will hold me fast;
When the tempter would prevail,
He will hold me fast.
I could never keep my hold
Through life's fearful path;
For my love is often cold;
He must hold me fast.

chorus

*He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;
For my Savior loves me so, He will hold me fast.*

Those He saves are His delight,
Christ will hold me fast;
Precious in His holy sight,
He will hold me fast.
He'll not let my soul be lost;
His promises shall last;
Bought by Him at such a cost,
He will hold me fast.

For my life He bled and died,
Christ will hold me fast;
Justice has been satisfied;
He will hold me fast.
Raised with Him to endless life,
He will hold me fast
'Till our faith is turned to sight
When He comes at last!

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

HE WILL HOLD ME FAST

A. R. Habershon, M. Merker

BAILEY WAGNER

PECULIAR FAMILY 1&2 THESSALONIANS

PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

"THE LORD OF PEACE"

2 THESSALONIANS 3:16-18

I. PREVAILS UPON YOU

II. INVOLVES PEOPLE LIKE PAUL

- REFLECTION QUESTIONS -

- 1) How does God's title "Lord of Peace" resonate with you?
- 2) Have you experienced God GIVING you peace at all times and in every way? What would be an analogy for the way in which you've encountered this kind of peace?
- 3) As you read and reflect on the intense emotion of the Psalms, do you believe that these prayers are offering you a practical pathway to peace?
- 4) Do you believe that the controversial personality of Jesus of Nazareth, and the shockingly unorthodox teaching and methodology of Jesus actually yields peace?
- 5) How have you experienced peace amidst the wreckage, baggage, complexities, and confusion of real relationships?