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ORDER OF WORSHIP

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*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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CALL TO WORSHIP

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"Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David." Isa. 55

SONG OF PRAISE

JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

*H. Van Dyke, L. von Beethoven, T. Austin, C. Hall*

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love  
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Opening to the sun above  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away  
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day

All Thy works with joy surround Thee Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays  
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise  
Field and forest, vale and mountain; Flowery meadow flashing sea  
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest  
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest  
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, All who live in love are Thine  
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine

Mortals join the mighty chorus, Which the Morning Stars began  
Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man  
Ever singing march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife  
Joyful music lifts us sunward, In the triumph song of life

COME YE SINNERS

*J. Hart | M. S. Smith*

Come ye sinners poor and wretched / Weak and wounded, sick and sore  
Jesus ready stands to save you / Full of pity joined with power  
He is able, He is able / He is willing doubt no more

Come ye needy, come and welcome / God's free bounty glorify  
True belief and true repentance / Every grace that brings you nigh  
Without money, without money / Come to Jesus Christ and buy

ROOTS CLASS – If you are interested in becoming a member of ECPC or would simply like more information about our church, please make plans to attend our next new members Roots Class on Friday, October 23rd from 6-9 p.m. Location is TBD. To register, please email Katie Blumenstein (admin@eastcharlottepres.org) so we can make plans for your attendance. We hope to see you there!

ECPC EMAIL OF THE WEEK – If you would like to receive our weekly church-wide email and are not yet signed up, please email Katie Blumenstein (admin@eastcharlottepres.org) to be added to our mailing list.

MEN'S MINISTRY – Men, mark your calendars for our upcoming events this Fall. Men's Hike & Bible Study will be on October 3rd at 6:30 a.m. at Crowders Mountain. Mark your calendars for two Fire Pit Fellowship nights at the Schnee home (1201 Robinhood Cir) on October 24th at 6:30 pm and at the Blumenstein home (10226 Glenmac Rd.) on November 21st at 8 pm. For more information about any of these events, please contact Jonathan McClure (jamclure89@gmail.com).

- UPCOMING EVENTS -

**OCT 5** WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**OCT 7** YOUTH GROUP  
**OCT 9** MEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**OCT 14** YOUTH GROUP  
**OCT 15-18** WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT  
**OCT 16** MEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**OCT 19** WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**OCT 21** YOUTH GROUP  
**OCT 23** MEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**OCT 23** ROOTS CLASS  
**OCT 24** MEN'S FIRE PIT FELLOWSHIP  
**OCT 26** WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY  
**OCT 28** YOUTH GROUP  
**OCT 30** MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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Come ye weary heavy laden / Bruised and broken by the fall  
If you tarry till you're better / You will never come at all  
Not the righteous, not the righteous / Sinners Jesus came to call

## SONG OF RESPONSE

FOR ALL THE SAINTS  
*W. H. How | C. Miner*

For all the saints who from their labors rest  
Who thee by faith before the world confessed  
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest  
Alleluia! Allelu

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might  
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight  
Thou in the darkness drear, their one true light  
Alleluia! Allelu

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold  
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old  
And win with them the victor's crown of gold  
Alleluia! Allelu

The golden evening brightens in the west  
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed  
Alleluia, Allelu

O blest communion, fellowship divine  
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine  
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine  
Alleluia! Allelu

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day  
The saints triumphant rise in bright array  
The King of glory passes on His way  
Alleluia! Alleluia!

## BENEDICTION

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Let not conscience make you linger / Nor of fitness fondly dream  
All the fitness He requires / Is to feel your need of Him  
This He gives you, this He gives you / 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam

Lo The Incarnate God ascended / Pleads the merit of His blood  
Venture on Him venture wholly / Let no other trust intrude  
None but Jesus, none but Jesus / Can do helpless sinners good

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

WESTMINSTER CONFESSION OF FAITH

### Q 87: What is repentance unto life?

A: Repentance unto life is a saving grace, whereby a sinner, out of a true sense of his sin, and apprehension of the mercy of God in Christ, doth, with grief and hatred of his sin, turn from it unto God, with full purpose of, and endeavor after, new obedience.

## CONFESSION OF SIN

JONATHAN MCCLURE

Most holy and merciful Father, we acknowledge and confess before you our sinful nature, proneness to evil, slowness in doing good, and all our shortcomings and offenses. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, and in forgetting your love. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, who are ashamed and sorry for all the ways we have displeased you. Teach us to hate our sin and to love you. Cleanse us from our evil ways and help us to live in your light through Jesus Christ our Lord.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GALATIANS 3:13-14

## SONG OF THANKSGIVING

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

*M. Boswell, M. Papa, M. Blecker*

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry in the dawning of the King  
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity  
In our longing in our darkness now the light of life has come  
Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, He the perfect Son of Man  
In His living in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin  
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man  
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, Christ the Lord upon the tree  
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory  
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold  
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life  
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord He is alive!  
What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope  
Christ in power resurrected as will we be when He comes  
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life  
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord He is alive!

## SONG OF PREPARATION

I once was lost in darkest night yet thought I knew the way  
The sin that promised joy and life had led me to the grave  
I had no hope that You would own; a rebel to Your will  
And if You had not loved me first I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race, indifferent to the cost,  
You looked upon my helpless state and led me to the cross  
And I beheld God's love displayed; You suffered in my place  
You bore the wrath reserved for me, now all I know is grace

### chorus

*Hallelujah! All I have is Christ / Hallelujah! Jesus is my life*

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone and live so all might see  
The strength to follow Your commands could never come from me  
Oh Father, use my ransomed life in any way You choose  
And let my song forever be, my only boast is You

## 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

ALL I HAVE IS CHRIST  
*J. Kauffman*

MIKE SCHNEE



## PREACHING OF THE WORD

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### "THE GOSPEL'S IMPACT"

LUKE 19:1-10

I. CAUSES GRUMBLING

II. CURES GREED

III. CURES GUILT

### - REFLECTION QUESTIONS -

- 1) When have you been irritated with Jesus because He was hanging-out with the "wrong" people?
- 2) Do you truly let yourself feel your need of Jesus, or do you opt to anchor your identity in "being the victim"; or "achieving self-worth" through superficial "success"?
- 3) When was a time you zealously RAN (or CLIMBED) to SEE someone or something? Why were you so eager that you allowed yourself to be undignified and unmannerly?
- 4) Which describes you better: grumbling and greedy OR joyfully receptive to Jesus?
- 5) Are you motivated and driven by guilt, fear, and shame; or are you freely participating in the joy of Master Jesus? ...Do you have a penance approach to life, OR do you participate in Christ's Kingdom as one who has been fully pardoned?