

## To our guests,

Welcome! We are delighted to have you with us this morning. Our goal each Sunday is to glorify and enjoy the God Who made us and saved us by His grace. If you have any questions about our church, please do not hesitate to ask.

If you are worshipping from home, I want to encourage you to engage with the liturgy as best you can. Even though we aren't together physically, don't just think about worship as you follow along... worship with us! Sing the songs, respond to the Bible readings, join in the prayers, open your Bible and take notes during the sermon. In preparing for worship you may want to print this bulletin out or just follow along on your phone, tablet or laptop. For those worshipping with children, make use of the children's resources we have posted online as well, if that would be helpful for you.

If, after all of that effort, this still seems awkward — that's okay! It should. We were made to worship *together*, as a community, not merely as individuals. So, don't be discouraged: in God's perfect time, we will gather together again to worship Him as His people!

Whether we are together or apart, "This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!"

In Christ,

Pastor Ryan Laughlin

## Why a pelican?



Carved into the front of our pulpit is one of the most ancient symbols of Christ's sacrificial death on the cross. Often referred to as "the pelican in her piety," this symbol offers a vivid picture of how Christ's death brings us life: according to legend, a mother pelican will pluck her breast to feed her young with her blood during a time of famine. As a church, Christ's stunning grace is not only front-and-center in our sanctuary but, more importantly, in our lives. The image of the pelican serves as a frequent reminder that we are deeply rooted in Christ so that we might reach out with Christ.

## For Children:

**Junior Bulletin:** We love having our children participate with us in worship and have provided a children's version of our bulletin that can be found in the narthex.



**Hearing Assist:** Sanitized devices are available from our ushers.

**Large Print version of the bulletin is available in the narthex.**

## Statement of Faith

We are a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA), which believes that the Bible is the inerrant and infallible Word of God and holds to that system of doctrine summarized in the Westminster Confession of Faith & Catechisms.

# MORNING WORSHIP

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**Greeting**

**Prelude**

**Call to Worship** • Psalm 103:1-5

**Hymn of Adoration** • *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

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**Invocation**

**The Lord's Prayer**

**Silent Confession**

**Hymn of Assurance** • *Softly and Tenderly Jesus Is Calling*

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**Assurance of Pardon** • Matthew 11:28-30

**Prayer for Christ's Church and the World**

## Offering

*You may give your offering by using the “give” button online at [www.cpcstl.org](http://www.cpcstl.org).  
Those worshipping in person may give their gift in the offering box  
or trays provided by our ushers after the service.*

## Hymn of Preparation • *Come, Ye Sinners*

**Sermon** • Awake, O Sleeper

Acts 20:1-16  
Rev. Ryan Laughlin

## Celebration of the Lord’s Supper

Communion Music • *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah*

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## Benediction

## Threefold Amen

## The Peace of Christ

## Postlude

If you are not receiving children's resources or Zoom information for live Children's Worship and Large Elementary Group, please contact Kelly Robinson (krobinson@cpctl.org).

### **Preaching Schedule**

#### August 23

Morning: Acts 21:1-26

#### August 30

Morning: Acts 21:27-22:21

#### September 6

Morning: Acts 22-23:11

#### September 13

Morning: Acts 23:12-35

### **Church Staff**

Ryan Laughlin, Senior Pastor  
Chris Smith, Associate Pastor  
John Roberts, Assistant Pastor/Head of School  
Greg Meyer, Assistant Pastor, Youth Ministry  
Kelly Robinson, Director of Children's Ministries  
Mary Bell, Director of Women's Ministries  
& Community Life  
Maggie Blow, Administrative Assistant  
Hannah Brandenburg, Administrative Assistant  
Jamey Brester, Property Manager  
Nancy Walker, Bookkeeper  
Lois Miller, Bulletin Coordinator  
Katie Beim-Esche, Choir Director

### **Session Elders**

John Bauer	Jonathan McCluskey
Bill Cahill	Bill McGreevy
John Dawson	Alan Norman
Tim Hall	John Shim
Bill Hughes	Roland Van Heest
Garrett Jacobs	Theo Vander Velde
Daniel Legters	David Yates

### **Diaconate**

Brett Allen	Mike Castle	Steve Hiler
Andy Belval	Dave Gegel	Don Jacobs
Walter Bosch	Will Haynes	Jeff Massot
Jamey Brester	Lewis Hettinga	Stefan Novosel

### **Women's Ministries Leadership**

Bible Studies – Evonne Moore, Joyce Dana  
Congregational Life – Kathy Collier  
Moms of Littles – Mary Jane Meyer, Kim Vander Velde,  
Mandi Choi  
Service & Compassion – Charity Larrimore, Beth Allen-Shumate  
Communication – Meghan Haynes, Laura Hettinga

### **Stephen Ministers**

Taylor Begley, Sherri Castle, Claudia Gold, Steve Hiler,  
Kathy Jacobs, Mike Koller, Liz Leutwiler, Jonathan McGuire,  
Kimberly McGuire, Julie Roberts, Julie Theus, Charlene Tipton

### **Thank you for visiting with us!**



Using your phone, please scan this code and fill out our online visitor card.  
We would love to know you are here and answer any questions you may have.

Musicians – Jonathan McGuire, Piano; Andy Belval, Vocalist

Unless noted otherwise, all Scripture notations are from The ESV Bible  
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and all hymns are from the *Trinity Hymnal*.

Hymn of Preparation ("Come, Ye Sinners"): Words by Joseph Hart; traditional tune BEECH SPRING.