

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME TO CHURCH OF THE REDEEMER!** We welcome all who are visiting with us this morning. We are delighted to have you with us. Please fill out one of our visitor cards so that we can get to know you. If you have any questions about COTR, feel free to ask one of our elders, our ministers, or members. We're glad you're here!

**Today–THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** We rejoice this morning to have the baptism of Josiah Luke Barnes, son of Mrs. Sarah Barnes. Please pray for Josiah that he will continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus.

**HOSPITALITY MEAL TODAY:** We will have our “hospitality meal” after our morning service this morning. If you do not have lunch plans, you are cordially invited to eat with some of our COTR families in the fellowship hall after our service.

**Wednesday–SESSION MEETING:** The elders will meet for their regular, monthly meeting, this Wednesday, at 6:30 p.m. Please pray that the Lord will bless and guide our elders as they meet together.

**Friday–FRIDAYS WITH FLANNERY:** Our next “Fridays with Flannery” will meet this Friday evening, at 7:00 p.m., in the home of Josh and Melissa Cross, 2102 Redwood Dr. We will be discussing the story, “Everything That Rises Must Converge.” Looking forward to seeing you there!

**Saturday–YOUTH DANCE:** A dance for young people 13 and over, will be held at Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church in Nacogdoches, Texas, on Saturday, July 29, from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Brunch will be held at the church on Saturday July 29th from 9am-11am for out of towners and those wanting extra fellowship time.

### GENERAL:

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS:** The Session has received in the membership of COTR, by profession of faith, Mrs. Sarah Barnes and her children, Grace, Faith, Isaiah, Christian, Noah, Benjamin, and Josiah. Please pray that the Lord will continue His mercies to this family as they worship and serve Him with us!

**CONGRATULATIONS!** We rejoice in the birth of Andrew Grayson Elias Porter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hays Porter. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

### UPCOMING:

**FIRST FRIDAY YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP:** Our “First Friday” Young Adult fellowship will be held the first Friday in August (August 4). Mark your calendars and plan to come!

**FEAST OF ST. AUGUSTINE:** Our annual Feast of St. Augustine will be held, Saturday, August 26, beginning at 4:00 p.m. at the beautiful facilities of Molto Bella, in Calhoun. Make plans to come!

## CALENDAR

July 26 – Session meeting, 6:30 p.m.  
28 – Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.  
29 – Youth Dance, Nacogdoches, TX, 4:30-6:00 p.m.

August 4 – First Friday Young Adult Fellowship, 7:00 p.m.  
6 – High School Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.  
11 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
13 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.  
Pizza fellowship afterwards  
20 – High School Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.  
26 – Feast of St. Augustine

September 3 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.  
4 – Men’s Book Study, 7:00 p.m.  
8 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.  
10 – Second Sunday service, 6:00 p.m.  
Pizza fellowship afterwards  
17 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.  
18 – Men’s Book Study, 7:00 p.m.  
22 – Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.  
25-27 – CREC Council Meeting

October 1 – High School Fellowship, 7:15 p.m.  
8 – Parish-wide fellowship meetings,  
No evening service  
13 – Renewal Center lunch, 11:30 a.m.  
Fridays with Flannery, 7:00 p.m.  
15 – High School fellowship, 7:15 p.m.

### NURSERY WORKERS FOR TODAY:

**Infant:** AM: Tammy Seal, Sarah Freeland  
Floater: Hayes Merritt

**Toddler:** AM: Peter Nash, Archer Wilkins  
Floater: Oz Wilkins

### NEXT WEEK:

Connie Merritt, Joanna Gunter  
Meredith Myers

Caroline Seal, Carol Walters  
Bryce Lizenby

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## THE LORD'S SERVICE

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EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

# JULY 23, 2023

10:00AM MORNING SERVICE

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## THE LORD CALLS US TO DRAW NEAR

MINISTER: “In the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, let us worship God.”

† HYMN #1 *“All People that on Earth Do Dwell”*

† SALUTATION:

Minister: “Grace to you and peace, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. The Lord be with you.”

**Cong: “And with your spirit”**

Minister: “Our help is in the name of the Lord”

**Cong: “Who made heaven and earth.”**

Minister: “Oh, sing to the Lord a new song! Sing to the Lord, all the earth. Sing to the Lord, bless His name; Proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day.” **Amen.**

## THE LORD CLEANSSES US

CONFESSION OF SINS:

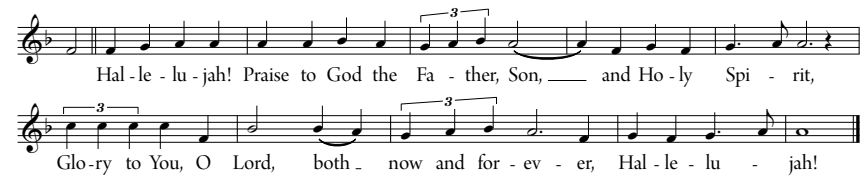
Minister: “Let us humbly kneel and confess our sins to Almighty God”

**Cong: Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against You in our thoughts and words and deeds, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with all our heart, soul, mind, and strength. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Be merciful to us, most merciful Father. For the sake of the suffering and death of Jesus Christ forgive us our sins and enable us to turn from them and earnestly persevere in doing Your will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

† ASSURANCE OF PARDON:

Minister: “Arise and hear the good news of God’s forgiveness: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.”

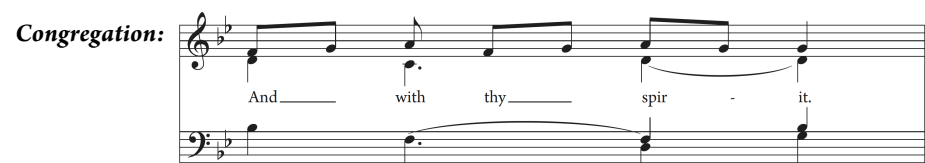
† OPENING ACCLAMATION:



Hal-le-lu-jah! Praise to God the Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit,  
Glo-ry to You, O Lord, both now and for-ev-er, Hal-le-lu-jah!

† ASCENSION (Sung Preface & Sursum Corda):

Minister: The Lord be with You.

**Congregation:** 

And with thy spir-it.

Minister: Lift up your hearts.

**Congregation:** 

We lift them up un-to the Lord.

Minister: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God.

**Congregation:** 

It is meet and right so to do.

Minister: “It is truly meet, right, and salutary, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee. O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty Everlasting God: Therefore with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and singing:”

†The Congregation will please stand

† SANCTUS (p. vii, SH)

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

† CANTICLE #13 (SH) *“Jubilate Deo”*

## THE LORD INSTRUCTS US

THE LESSON

Isaiah 44:6-8

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

**Cong: “Thanks be to God.”**

CONGREGATIONAL PSALM

Psalm 150

THE EPISTLE

Romans 8:18-27

Minister: “The Word of the Lord.”

**Cong: “Thanks be to God.”**

† HYMN #125 (SH) *“Lord, Our Lord, in All the Earth”*

† READING OF THE GOSPEL Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

Minister: “The Gospel of our Lord.”

**Cong: “Praise be to You, O Christ.”**

† THREE-FOLD ALLELUIA:



Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

† READING OF THE TEXT: Ephesians 6:1-9 & Exodus 20:12

† PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SERMON *The Ten Words: “Honor Your Father and Mother”*

Pastor Steve Wilkins

PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY #446 *“That Man is Blest Who Fearing God”*

(the congregation will sing this hymn)

† DOXOLOGY (We lift our hearts, voices, and hands in praise to God)

† PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

†The Congregation will please stand

## THE LORD COMMUNES WITH US

HYMN #164 (SH) *“Blessed the Man Who Fears Jehovah”*

† PRAYER OF INTERCESSION:

Minister: Lord, in your mercy,

**Congregation: Hear our prayer.**

† THE LORD’S PRAYER: page ix (SH)

† NICENE CREED:

**WE BELIEVE IN ONE GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY;** Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

**AND IN ONE LORD JESUS CHRIST,** the only begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all worlds; God of God; Light of Light, very God of very God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made; Who for us men, and for our salvation, came down from heaven; And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried; And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures; And ascended into heaven; And sits on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

**AND WE BELIEVE IN THE HOLY GHOST;** the Lord and Giver of life; who proceeds from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified; who spoke by the prophets and in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins. And we look for the resurrection of the dead; And the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LORD’S SUPPER:

Words of Institution

Thanksgiving for the Bread

Communion Hymn #567 *“If Thou but Suffer God to Guide Thee”*

Thanksgiving for the Wine

Passing the peace of Christ

Minister: “The Body and Blood of our Lord strengthen and preserve you steadfast in the true faith unto life everlasting; in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.” **Amen.**

## THE LORD COMMISSIONS US

† HYMN #5 (SH) *“Nunc Dimittis”*

† BENEDICTION

† THREE-FOLD AMEN

†The Congregation will please stand