

Welcome to Antioch!

The most important items in this bulletin are the orders of worship which you will find printed on the inside panels. These two outlines of this week's worship services will guide you in our corporate devotion to God. To help you get to know us, we have also included a clear statement of our vision, mission, and primary areas of focus as a church. For more information about our church history, theology, and leadership, please visit antiochpca.com. Be sure to spend some time visiting with us after the service. We are looking forward to getting to know you!

This Lord's Day at Antioch

9:30 AM Morning Worship
10:45 AM Fellowship Time
11:00 AM Sunday School
12:00 PM Fellowship Meal
5:00 PM Evening Worship

Sunday School

Adults - The Westminster Confession (Pipa)
Secondary - Implementing God's Word (Groff)
Primary - Investigating God's Word (Cook/Marcus)
Pre-School - Learning to Love Jesus (Benson)

Children in Worship

We believe that the children of believers are not only a heritage from the Lord and a special gift to parents, but also members of God's covenant community. Therefore, we enthusiastically involve children as participants in corporate worship. The children of believing parents are to be students of the Christian Faith – even baptized disciples – from infancy, and thus are not to be excluded from the assembling together of the saints. However, until such a time as they are able to examine themselves of their being in Christ, such members of the church are to refrain from taking the Lord's Supper. If you are visiting today and not accustomed to the sometimes-disruptive sounds of covenant children in the worship service, we thank you for your understanding and patience. If you are here today with your young children, please exercise courtesy and consideration by taking advantage of our childcare space in the fellowship hall behind the pulpit area as your little ones become particularly noisy. Thank you!

Announcements

Prayer Meeting this Wednesday at 6:00 PM
Refreshments Next Week: Zack & Jocelyn Groff
Hospitality Next Week: _____
Groff Ordination: Friday, Sept 17 at 6:00 PM

Vision

Our vision is to see the historic Antioch Presbyterian Church revitalized as a worshipping community to be a blessing to every man, woman, and child in the growing residential hub west of Woodruff and south of Reidville, to the glory of God.

Mission

Our mission as a parish church at the crossroads of Greenville and Spartanburg Counties is the gathering and perfecting of God's people through biblical worship, evangelism, and pastoral care.

Areas of Ministry Focus

Expository Preaching
Biblical Worship
Parish Evangelism
Pastoral Care
Discipleship

Leadership & Accountability

As a mission work, Antioch Presbyterian Church (PCA) is governed and overseen by a provisional session of elders serving as a commission of Calvary Presbytery. The seven men appointed to the provisional session are active elders in nearby sister churches, and they have graciously agreed to serve "above-and-beyond" in the reorganization of Antioch. They include:

Dr. Chipley Bennett, PhD – Ruling Elder, Providence PCA
Dr. E. Todd Buchner, DMin – Pastor, Reidville PCA
Mr. Richard Hollifield – Ruling Elder, Roebuck PCA
Mr. W. Tosh Groce – Ruling Elder, Blue Ridge PCA
Mr. William Johnson – Ruling Elder, Woodruff Road PCA
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr., PhD, DD – Moderator of Session
Pastor Richard Thomas – Senior Pastor, Mt. Calvary PCA

Church Staff

Mr. Zachary Groff – Ministerial Assistant
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr. – Organizing Pastor

Worship at Antioch

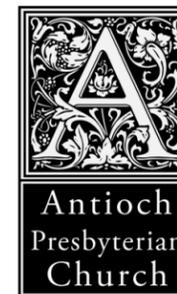
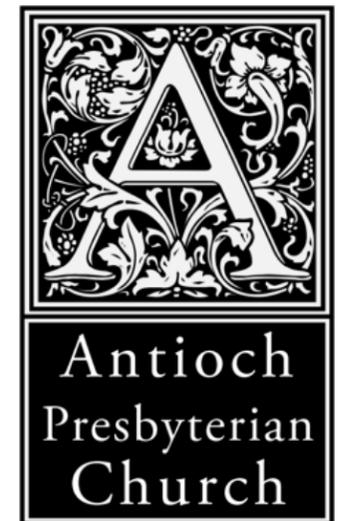
The worship of the one true and living God is mankind's highest duty and greatest delight. Through Christ the living Word and by the call of the Holy Spirit, individual believers and societies of men, women, and children (i.e., churches) approach God the Father in devotion and praise. The Father seeks those who will worship Him in spirit and in truth. To participate rightly in this holy service of worship, you must consider yourself as more than a mere spectator to a performance. Rather, be a worshipper. Join with the congregation in the singing of psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (even if the songs are unfamiliar). Pray along with the elders, adding your "Amen" to the statements of adoration, confession, supplication, and thanksgiving. Give joyfully to the work of the Lord in the corporate offering as an act of worship. Listen attentively to God speaking in and through the reading and preaching of His inspired Word. May God the Father receive an acceptable sacrifice of praise through Christ the Son as we actively worship Him by the Holy Spirit.

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.

The Lord's Day

September 12, 2021



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Lord's Day Morning Worship

September 12, 2021 | 9:30 AM

Meditation *Deuteronomy 12:32*

Whatever I command you, you shall be careful to do; you shall not add to nor take away from it.

***Call to Worship**

***Congregational Commitment**

Minister: Congregation, in whom is your confidence?
Congregation: Our help is in the Name of the Lord, who made the heavens and the earth.

***Salutation**

***Hymn of Adoration** **No. 65A**
Praise Waits for You in Zion
NYLAND

***Prayer of Adoration & Invocation**

Revelation of God's Will *Matthew 15:10-20*

Confession of Sin

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from Your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have not obeyed Your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done. But You, O Lord, have mercy upon us. Spare those, O God, who confess their faults. Restore those who are penitent according to Your promises declared unto us in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for His sake, that we may live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of Your holy Name. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon *Exodus 34:6, 7; Psalm 85:2, 3*

The LORD God is merciful and gracious; longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth; keeping mercy for thousands; forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin. He forgives the iniquity of those who confess and turn from their sins. He covers their sin, takes away His wrath, and turns Himself from the fierceness of His anger. Amen.

Offering **No. 145D**
God, My King, Thy Might Confessing
STUTTGART

***Prayer of Thanksgiving & Supplication**
conclude with Lord's Prayer (see back of bulletin)

Hymn of Preparation **No. 175**
Your Law, O God, Is Our Delight
GERMANY

***Prayer for Illumination**

***New Testament Reading** *Matthew 15:1-9*

***Old Testament Reading** *Exodus 20:1-11*

***Congregational Response**

Leader: Your Word is a lamp to my feet,
Congregation: And a light to my path!

Sermon *"The Rule for Worship"*
Exodus 20:4-7

***Prayer of Application**

***Hymn of Response** **No. 172**
Speak, O Lord
SPEAK O LORD

***Benediction**

***Doxology** **No. 565**
Praise Ye the Lord, Ye Hosts Above
WINCHESTER OLD

*Praise ye the Lord, ye hosts above, in yonder heav'nly height,
and bless the Lord, ye saints below, who in His praise delight.*

*By all His creatures let His Name be honored and adored;
let all that breathe in praise untie to glorify the Lord.*

***Silent Prayer**

** Congregation standing, unless physically hindered*

Lord's Day Evening Worship

September 12, 2021 | 5:00 PM

Meditation *1 Peter 2:9, 10*

⁹ But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; ¹⁰ for you once were not a people, but now you are the people of God; you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

***Call to Worship**

***Congregational Commitment**

Minister: Congregation, in whom is your confidence?
Congregation: Our help is in the Name of the Lord, who made the heavens and the earth.

***Salutation**

***Hymn of Adoration** **No. 113A**
Hallelujah! Raise, O Raise
MONKLAND

***Prayer of Adoration, Confession, & Invocation**

Confession of Faith *Athanasian Creed 29-44*

It is necessary for eternal salvation that one also believe in the incarnation of our Lord Jesus Christ faithfully. Now this is the true faith: that we believe and confess that our Lord Jesus Christ, God's Son, is both God and man, equally. He is God from the essence of the Father, begotten before time; and he is man from the essence of his mother, born in time; completely God, completely man, with a rational soul and human flesh; equal to the Father as regards divinity, less than the Father as regards humanity. Although he is God and man, yet Christ is not two, but one. He is one, however, not by his divinity being turned into flesh, but by God's taking humanity to himself. He is one, certainly not by the blending of his essence, but by the unity of his person. For just as one man is both rational soul and flesh, so too the one Christ is both God and man. He suffered for our salvation; he descended to hell; he arose from the dead on the third day; he ascended to heaven; he is seated at the Father's right hand; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. At his coming all people will arise bodily and give an accounting of their own deeds. Those who have done good will enter eternal life, and those who have done evil will enter eternal fire. This is the catholic faith: that one cannot be saved without believing it firmly and faithfully.

Gloria Patri **No. 572**
Gloria Patri
GLORIA PATRI (Creatorex)

*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.*

***Prayer of Thanksgiving & Supplication**

Hymn of Preparation **No. 474**
If Thou But Suffer God to Guide Thee
NEUMARK

***Prayer for Illumination**

***New Testament Reading** *Revelation 21:10-27*

***Old Testament Reading** *Isaiah 49:1-13*

***Congregational Response**

Leader: The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD,
Congregation: As the waters cover the sea!

Sermon *"Our Redeemer, Light to the Nations"*
Isaiah 49:1-13

Dedicatory Offering *silent prayer*

***Prayer of Dedication**

***Closing Hymn** **No. 118B**
The Glorious Gates of Righteousness
ZERAH

***Benediction**

***Doxology** **No. 117B**
Praise the LORD God, All You Nations
REGENT SQUARE

*Praise the LORD God, all you nations;
all you peoples, sing His praise.
For His truth endures forever,
and His steadfast love is great.
He is faithful! He is faithful!
Hallelujah! Praise the LORD!*

***Silent Prayer**

** Congregation standing, unless physically hindered*