

# 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 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](http://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
11:15 AM	Sunday School
4:30 PM	Kingdom Prayer
5:00 PM	Evening Worship

## Sunday School

Adults – *The Mystery of Providence* (Marcus)  
Secondary - Implementing God's Word (Colvin/Cook)  
Primary - Investigating God's Word (Spivey/Tunnell)  
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 training room and childcare space in the fellowship hall as your little ones become particularly noisy. Thank you!

## Announcements

Reception with Brantley Family – 5/21 @ 6:30 PM  
Session Meeting – 5/22 @ 6:30 PM

## Vision

**Our vision** is for the historic Antioch Presbyterian Church to be a worshipping community that blesses 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. They include:

Dr. Chipley "Chip" Bennett, PhD – Ruling Elder, Providence PCA  
Dr. E. Todd Buchner, DMin – Teaching Elder, CTC  
Mr. Richard "Rik" Hollifield – Ruling Elder, Roebuck PCA  
Pastor Zachary Groff – Teaching Elder, Clerk of Session  
Mr. William "Bill" Johnson – Ruling Elder, Woodruff Road PCA  
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr., PhD – Teaching Elder, Moderator of Session  
Mr. Theodore "Terry" Richards – Ruling Elder, Fellowship PCA

## Church Staff

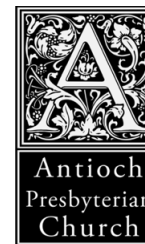
Mr. Zachary Groff – Pastor  
Dr. Joseph A. Pipa, Jr. – Pastor  
Mr. Ryan Colvin – Pastoral Intern  
Mr. Timothy Cook – Pastoral Intern  
Mr. Isaiah Spivey – Pastoral Intern  
Mr. Nathan Tunnell – Pastoral Intern

## 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 (i.e., churches) of men, women, and children 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.

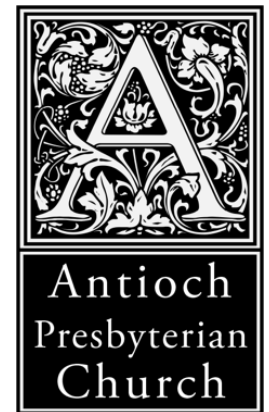


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# The Lord's Day

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# Lord's Day Morning Worship

May 21, 2023 | 9:30 AM

## Meditation

*Psalms 85:2, 3*

<sup>2</sup> You forgave the iniquity of Your people; You covered all their sin. <sup>3</sup> You withdrew all Your fury; You turned away from Your burning anger.

## \*Call to Worship

## \*Congregational Commitment

Congregation, in whom is your confidence?

Our help is in the Name of the Lord, who made the heavens and the earth.

## \*Salutation

## \*Hymn of Adoration

**No. 103C**

*Come, My Soul, and Bless the LORD*  
KEESEE

## \*Prayer of Adoration & Invocation

## Revelation of God's Will

*John 15:12-17*

## Confession of Sin

Almighty and everlasting God, who orders all things in heaven and on earth, and Who made all ages a preparation for the coming of Your Son, we confess before You that we have sinned. We have not loved You as we ought. We have exercised false priorities; maintained false concepts of God; taken vows we have not kept; failed to honor Your Lord's Day. Furthermore, we have not loved one another as we ought. We have failed to give honor to whom it is due; failed to preserve life; failed in maintaining purity of heart; taken what is not ours; borne false witness to make ourselves look better; and we have entertained covetous thoughts. O God forgive our sins! We are sorry for them. We look to the merit and mediation of our Savior, Jesus Christ, to wash our sins away. Grant that we may grow in true faith and obedience to the honor of Your great Name. Amen!

## Assurance of Pardon

*Exodus 34:6, 7*

<sup>6</sup> Then the LORD passed by in front of him and proclaimed, "The LORD, the LORD God, compassionate and gracious, slow to anger, and abounding in lovingkindness and truth; <sup>7</sup> who keeps lovingkindness for thousands, who forgives iniquity, transgression and sin; yet He will by no means leave the guilty unpunished, visiting the iniquity of fathers on the children and on the grandchildren to the third and fourth generations.

## Reception of New Members

Ken & Jo-Ellen Pujdak  
Alex Piccaglia

## Offering

**No. 449**

*As When the Prophet Moses Raised*  
DOWNS

## \*Prayer of Thanksgiving & Supplication

*conclude with the Lord's Prayer (see back of bulletin)*

## Hymn of Preparation

**No. 119H**

*You, LORD, Are the Portion*  
BOWERSBURN

## \*Prayer for Illumination

## \*Scripture Readings

*Isaiah 43 (p. 649)*  
*Matthew 9:1-8 (p. 870)*

## \*Congregational Response

This is the Word of the Lord,

Thanks be to God!

## Sermon

"The Forgiver of Sins"  
*Matthew 9:1-8*

## \*Prayer of Application

## \*Hymn of Response

**No. 447**

*Christ, of All My Hopes the Ground*  
HENDON

## \*Benediction

## \*Doxology

**No. 113A**

*Hallelujah! Raise, O Raise*  
(stanzas 1, 2)  
MONKLAND

*Hallelujah! Raise, O raise to the LORD our song of praise!*  
*Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the Name of God the LORD.*

*From this time and evermore bless the Name of God the LORD.*

*From the sunrise to its rest, may the Name of God be blest.*

## \*Silent Prayer

\* Congregation standing, unless physically hindered

# Lord's Day Evening Worship

May 21, 2023 | 5:00 PM

## Meditation

*Isaiah 2:2*

*Now it will come about that in the last days the mountain of the house of the LORD will be established as the chief of the mountains, and will be raised above the hills; and all the nations will stream to it.*

## \*Call to Worship

## \*Congregational Commitment

Congregation, in whom is your confidence?

Our help is in the Name of the Lord, who made the heavens and the earth.

## \*Salutation

## \*Hymn of Adoration

**No. 22C**

*Amid the Thronging Worshipers*  
BOVINA

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

## Confession of Faith

WSC 20

**Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?** God, having out of His mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

## Gloria Patri

**No. 572**

*Gloria Patri*  
GLORIA PATRI (Greatorex)

*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. 195**

*Shine Thou upon Us, Lord*  
LEONI

## \*Prayer for Illumination

## \*Scripture Readings

*Genesis 12:1-3 (p. 10)*  
*Acts 14:19-28 (p. 994)*

## \*Congregational Response

The earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord,

As the waters cover the sea!

## Sermon

"Great Commission: Isolated or Involved?"  
*Acts 14:19-28*

## Prayer of Application & Dedication

## Dedicatory Offering

*silent prayer*

## \*Closing Hymn

**No. 22D**

*The Ends of All the Earth Shall Hear*  
VISION

## \*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