

Ordination and Installation of Elders & Deacons

Ephesians 4:11-13 "The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ."

Today we ordain and install those God has called to leadership for CHPC. This is the first time we have done this in our new denominational affiliation. Because of that we ask all who are elders or deacons at CHPC stand and affirm the vows taken today.

Ordination vows

- Do you believe in One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and do you boldly declare Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and acknowledge Him Lord of all and Head of the Church?
 - Do you believe the Scriptures of the Old and New Testament to be the Word of God, and, inspired by the Holy Spirit, the unique witness to Jesus Christ and the authority for Christian faith and life?
 - Will you receive, adopt, and be bound by the Essential Tenets of ECO as a reliable exposition of what Scripture teaches us to do and to believe, and will you be guided by them in your life and ministry?
 - Relying on the Holy Spirit, do you humbly submit to God's call on your life, committing yourself to God's mission, and fulfilling your ministry in obedience to Jesus Christ, under the authority of Scripture and guided by our confessions?
 - Will you be governed by ECO's polity and discipline? And will you be accountable to your fellow elders, deacons, and pastors as you lead?
 - Do you promise to be faithful in maintaining the truth of the Gospel and the peace, unity, and purity of the Church?
 - Will you pray for and seek to serve the people with energy, intelligence, imagination, and love?
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- (Elder) Will you be a faithful elder, watching over the people in their worship, nurture, and service to God?
 - (Deacon) Will you be a faithful deacon, serving the people, urging concern and directing the people's help to those in need?
 - (Pastor) Will you be a faithful minister of the Gospel of Jesus Christ by proclaiming the good news, teaching the faith, showing the people God's mission, and caring for the people?

God's mission requires ordered leadership. Before the foundation of the world, God set a plan of mission to reconcile the world to Himself and chose to use the Church as His instrument of reconciliation. It is incumbent upon all members of the body of Christ to participate in the work of building one another up in Christ and be deployed for His work in the world. To that end, excellent leadership is critical in the Church today, and that is not limited to ordained leaders. God calls some individuals to exercise specific formal leadership, which is modeled after the mind of Christ. The Church should strive to develop strong leaders in every area of life and ministry who lead in the way of Jesus. While pastors, elders, and deacons have unique roles in the structure of the Church, we recognize the importance of ordained and lay leadership at every level. - ECO Polity

Prayer Pals!

Did you know that Prayer Pals has been a vibrant multi-generational ministry to our 3rd & 4th graders for the last eight years? Can you imagine the blessings of having someone pray for you daily?

Prayer Pals is an eight week ministry for adults and youth. Our goal is that "children will learn skills and develop relationships and habits of prayer that will help them grow in their relationship with Christ over a lifetime, as well as build meaningful relationships with an adult who models, encourages, & walks side by side with their Prayer Pal."



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Prayer Pals! continued



As a parent who has had two kids experience this ministry, I can't express the wonders, joy, encouragement, and deep relationships that have been made through Prayer Pals. It was a lifesaver when my child was struggling with being bullied at school. Knowing they were being prayed for, encouraged, praised, and hearing from a non-parent that they are AWESOME, made a huge impact during that difficult time. Seeing and hearing your child pray for someone special to them daily is amazing. Prayer Pals has impacted the youth, their parents, and even the adult Pals.

I have been directing this ministry for the past five years at CHPC. It has been a true joy to see the growth, smiles, deep conversations, and fun activities shared between the Pals. The eight weeks are divided into two activities that rotate bi-weekly. Either The Pals meet during Foundation hour as a large group for worship, hands on lessons about prayer and sharing/praying time with each other OR the other week, write a letter to each other. We end our session with an all-family potluck to celebrate the ministry of Prayer Pals. If that isn't enough togetherness, many partners have extended their time together outside the Sunday hour: games and/or school plays have been attended by a Prayer Pal, going to a Reds game, the zoo & even Thanksgiving dinner have been shared.

I would encourage you to pray for Prayer Pals from January 19th – March 9th that lives and hearts of the adults and youth be transformed spiritually. Also pray that relationships between the generations will be molded into lifelong friendships. If this ministry tugs at your heart or nudges your spirit, please consider being a Pal. We are in desperate need of 16 more pals to match with our 30 3rd & 4th graders. TODAY is the last Sunday to sign up to take part in this ministry. WE NEED YOU (any age from a junior in high school – grandparents). Please see me, Robyn Russell &/or Jennie Key in the Atrium TODAY!

Children and Worship

Children ages Kindergarten through third grade are invited to a Children's Worship service each week. Start off with your families in both the 9am and 11:15am service. Then listen for the announcement dismissing the kids to their special service.

This week's helpers are:
 9:00am Michael & Marissa Fox
 11:15am Nate Smith & Jonny Wiers

Next week's helpers are:
 9:00am Jason McSwain & Sarah Lowe
 11:15am Nathan & Jared Lowe
 (Winget family will greet)

January 12 - January 18 calendar

12. sunday

8:00am	Morning Prayer	Prayer Room
9:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:10am	Foundation Hour	
	• Children's Classes	Barnabas Ctr
	• Jr. High	BC 204
	• High School	BC 206
	• ASF	Various
11:15am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
6:30pm	CRASH	BC 205 & 206

13. monday

6:30pm	Karate	Clubroom
	AHG Troop Meeting	Great Hall
7:00pm	Deacon Meeting	Fellowship Hall

14. tuesday

9:30am	Tuesday AM Bible Study	Parlor
6:30pm	Super Choir	Fellowship Hall

15. wednesday

9:30am	Library Work Day	BC 103
5:30pm	Boy Scouts	Club Room
7:00pm	Bi-Polar Support Group	Great Hall
	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	Connection Meeting	White House
	Session Meeting	BC 201 & 202

16. thursday

6:10am	Band of Brothers	Fireside Room
8:30am	Prayer	Prayer Room
10:00am	Knitting Group	Atrium
6:30pm	Karate	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm	Choir	Choir Room
	ACA Meeting	Clubroom
7:30pm	Alanon	BC 201 & 202

17. friday

6:00am	Friday Morning Men	Fireside Room
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18. saturday

8:30am	CHPC Men's Ministry and House of Joy	The Rock
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The following assistive devices are available

Please ask the ushers if you need wheelchair seating or special hearing equipment. Also, handicapped accessible bathrooms are located to the right of the platform in the hallway leading to the white house parking lot.