

Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church of New Haven!

We are delighted that you have chosen to join us in worship this Lord's Day. It is our sincere hope and prayer that you will know the saving presence, power, love and authority of our King and Savior Jesus Christ as a result of our time spent together in worship.

We would also like to get more acquainted with you, so please take the time to **fill out the register** as it comes down your row during the announcements. Please use the prayer card located in the inside pocket of the register or the back of pews to communicate your prayer requests or other concerns and place it in the basket on the back table as you leave the worship service. Your requests are prayed for during the week.

As a church, we value family worship, and therefore children of all ages are welcome to join us in the worship service at their parents' discretion. However, **childcare** is available (off of the foyer area - Children's Education Wing) for parents who wish to take advantage of it (there is no age restriction). Please do not hesitate to ask a greeter for assistance.

Introduction and Welcome to CPC - please pick up your free copy on the table located at the foyer entrance.

Our Offices are adjacent to the sanctuary. Core office hours at CPC are from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm Monday-Friday. Should you need to use our facilities, please call our Administrator to make arrangements. We are currently building a unique library and reading room containing various selections of books, journals, children's literature and tapes (library is located in our balcony area). Selections may be checked out or you are welcome to drop by for a reading break from your busy schedule.

Parking - On Sundays, please reserve the on-site parking lot for our visitors & parents with small children. In courtesy to our neighbors, please do not park in front of Bradley St. homes, but use the RIS parking lot located next door. **During the week**, please contact our administrator for parking information as most of our spaces are rented out during the week. And, for safety reasons, exit the lot on the Bradley Street side only. Thank you.

Log onto: christpresnewhaven.org for more information or calendar events.
You may also call 777-6960 and press 5 to hear weekly events.

Sermon MP3's are downloadable at no cost online or are available upon request for \$3 per CD. To order a copy, please fill out a request sheet (located in the foyer) and place your payment into the container labeled Media Payments. Only orders accompanied by payment will be filled.

As a church committed to Greater New Haven, we meet in the middle of the region we hope to serve and reach, which consists of both downtown New Haven and the surrounding edge towns. We believe that the gospel transcends all ethnic, social, and demographic boundaries. We are ambitious for the glory of God and aim to extend a Christ-centered gospel throughout Greater New Haven.

We reuse bulletin covers - if you do not need one - please place covers on the foyer table as you leave.

August 10, 2008

9:30 AM

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Service Order 4

Prelude & Pre-Worship Meditation

Opening Songs of Praise and Worship

****Come and Rejoice***

***Come with rejoicing, the Father is calling,
Those who would worship in spirit and truth;
Come with your singing, come with thanksgiving,
Jesus, our Savior, has made all things new.***

*Come and rejoice, O holy nation,
Come and sing praises to him;
Come and bow down, worship before him,
Jesus, the King of all Kings,
Jesus, the King of all Kings.*

***Lord of creation is full of compassion,
Seated in splendor adorned with all grace;
Majestic and glorious, reigning victorious,
Now and forever enthroned on our praise.***

Chorus

***With the sound of the trumpet he summons the nations,
Calling a priesthood to go in His name;
To show forth His power to this generation,
To worship before him, a kingdom of praise.***

Chorus

Liturgical Definitions:

Prelude & Pre-Worship Meditation:

A time to quiet your heart and mind in preparation to enter into the life-giving presence of God.

"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth." Psalms 46:10

** Congregation Standing
wherever indicated throughout
bulletin.*

*Note: Trinity Hymnal can be
found in pews for hymns
indicated with numbers*

*To God be the glory, great things he has done!
 So loved he the world that he gave us his Son,
 Who yielded his life an atonement for sin,
 And opened the life-gate that we may go in.
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the earth hear his voice!
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, let the people rejoice!
 O come to the Father thro' Jesus the Son,
 And give him the glory, great things he has done!*

*O perfect redemption, the purchase of blood!
 To ev'ry believer the promise of God;
 The vilest offender who truly believes,
 That moment from Jesus forgiveness receives.
 Chorus*

*Great Things he has taught us, great things he has done,
 And great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son;
 But purer and higher and greater will be
 Our wonder, our transport, when Jesus we see.
 Chorus*

WORSHIP THROUGH INVOCATION AND ADORATION

*Call to Worship: Psalm 47:1-7

Leader: Oh, clap your hands, all you peoples! Shout to God with the voice of triumph!

People: *For the Lord Most High is awesome; He is a great King over all the earth.*

Leader: He will subdue the peoples under us, and the nations under our feet.

People: *He will choose our inheritance for us, the excellence of Jacob whom He loves.*

Leader: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of a trumpet.

People: *Sing praises to God, sing praises! Sing praises to our King, sing praises!*

Leader: For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with understanding.

Call to Worship

*And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here, and I will show you what must take place after this." At once I was in the spirit, and there in heaven stood a throne, with one seated on the throne!
 Revelation 4:2*

Invitational Songs of Prayers for God's Presence

*And I looked, and there in heaven a door stood open.
 Revelation 4:1*

*Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

* Hymn of Doxology: *All People That on Earth Do Dwell (vs.1) #1*

*All people that on earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with fear, His praise forth-tell,
Come ye before Him and rejoice.*

Old Testament Reading: Joshua 3 & 4

New Testament Reading: Luke 3:21,22; 4:1-15

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Meditation: **Bless the Lord**

(Instrumental meditation – Sing 2x - Instrumental meditation)

*Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who brings me into life. 2x*

Invocation and Praise

Day and night without
ceasing they sing,
“Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord
God the Almighty, who was and
is and is to come.”
Revelation 4:8

Hearing God's Word

A time to hear God's holy
Word, ultimately unveiled to
us in Christ by the Holy
Spirit.

*Then I saw in the right hand of
the one seated on the throne a
scroll written on the inside and
on the back, sealed with seven
seals. Revelation 5:1*

Meditation on God's Word

In stillness and meditation,
please take a moment to
reflect on the power and
privilege of hearing God's
Word.

WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Corporate Confession of Sin:

[Participants may kneel or lean forward]

Leader: *Jesus said:* “If you love me, you will obey what I
command.”

People: Forgive us our lukewarm love and our disobedience.

Leader: *Jesus said:* “You may ask for anything in my
name.”

People: Forgive us for trying to solve our problems without You.

Leader: *Jesus said:* “Do not let your hearts be troubled and do
not be afraid.”

**People: Forgive us for living in fear, anxiety, and worry rather than
trusting you.**

Leader: *Jesus said:* “If you remain in me, and I in you, you
will bear much fruit.”

**People: Forgive us for our spiritually barren lives and lack of zeal
for your kingdom.**

Leader: *Jesus said:* “Surely I am with you always.”

**People: Forgive us for doubting your loving presence and saving
help.**

Private Confession

Absolution

Leader: Hear now God's assurance of pardon:

“The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those
who take refuge in Him will be condemned.” *Psalm 34:22*

Confession of Sin

Because sin is so pervasive in
both our corporate and
individual lives, we are
invited to come before God
with honesty and
transparency, confessing our
brokenness and moral
failures, asking for both
forgiveness and healing
through Jesus Christ. We
confess corporately to show
our unity even in our
brokenness. We confess
honestly because in Christ,
we are safe to confess our
sins without fear of
condemnation and no longer
in need of hiding in
defensiveness and blame
shifting.

*And I saw a mighty angel
proclaiming with a loud voice,
“Who is worthy to open the
scroll and break its seals?” And
no one in heaven or on earth or
under the earth was able to open
the scroll or to look into it. And
I began to weep bitterly because
no one was found worthy to
open the scroll or to look into it.
Revelation 2-4*

Absolution

Christ has given the Church
authority to declare the
forgiveness of sins in his
Name. This promise is for all
who have been joined to
Christ by faith as mediated
through any gospel-believing
church.

*“I will give you the keys of the
kingdom of heaven, and
whatever you bind on earth will
be bound in heaven, and
whatever you loose on earth will
be loosed in heaven.”
Matthew 16:19*

Communal Prayer

[Participants may be seated]

Special Needs:

Prayer for our Members: the Battista Family

Mission to the World: Zambia

Zambia is north of Zimbabwe and south of the DRC (Democratic Republic of Congo). The country suffers with AIDS and famine. The spoken languages are English, Bemba, and Nyanja.

Current Ministries: Theological education on the undergraduate level, working with Theological College of Central Africa (TCCA). MTW is working with the Evangelical Association of Zambia.

The missionaries active in this area are as follows:

David & Terriane Wegener & family

Pastoral Prayers:

Our prayers are ultimately
“in the name of Jesus
Christ,” which means that
our trust is not in the power
of our prayers, but in the
power of Christ’s prayers
who prays for us as our
“great high priest who has
passed through the heavens,
Jesus, the Son of God... For we
do not have a high priest who is
unable to sympathize with our
weaknesses, but we have one
who in every respect has been
tested as we are, yet without
sin. Let us therefore approach
the throne of grace with
boldness, so that we may receive
mercy and find grace to help in
time of need.”
Heb. 4:14-16

*The four living creatures and
the twenty-four elders fell
before the Lamb, each holding a
harp and golden bowls full of
incense, which are the prayers of
the saints. Rev. 5:8*

*Song of Response: ***Beneath the Cross of Jesus***

[A good time for children to leave for childcare - if so desired.]

***Beneath the cross of Jesus I fain would take my stand,
The shadow of a mighty Rock within a weary land;
A home within the wilderness, a rest upon the way,
From the burning of the noontide heat and the burden of the day.***

***Upon that cross of Jesus my eyes at times can see
The very dying form of One who suffered there for me:
And from my stricken heart with tears two wonders I confess,
The wonders of His glorious love and my unworthiness.***

***I take, O cross, thy shadow for my abiding place:
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of his face;
Content to let the world go by, to know no gain or loss;
My sinful self my only shame, my glory all the cross.***

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Sermon:

Kingdom Consummation: A Renewing of Hope Rev. Tolivar Wills

[Sermon notes located on page 17]

[1] Then Joshua rose early in the morning and they set out from Shittim. And they came to the Jordan, he and all the people of Israel, and lodged there before they passed over. [2] At the end of three days the officers went through the camp [3] and commanded the people, "As soon as you see the ark of the covenant of the LORD your God being carried by the Levitical priests, then you shall set out from your place and follow it. [4] Yet there shall be a distance between you and it, about 2,000 cubits in length. Do not come near it, in order that you may know the way you shall go, for you have not passed this way before." [5] Then Joshua said to the people, "Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the LORD will do wonders among you." [6] And Joshua said to the priests, "Take up the ark of the covenant and pass on before the people." So they took up the ark of the covenant and went before the people. [7] The LORD said to Joshua, "Today I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that, as I was with Moses, so I will be with you. [8] And as for you, command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, 'When you come to the brink of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.'" [9] And Joshua said to the people of Israel, "Come here and listen to the words of the LORD your God." [10] And Joshua said, "Here is how you shall know that the living God is among you and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Hivites, the Perizzites, the Girgashites, the Amorites, and the Jebusites. [11] Behold, the ark of the covenant of the Lord of all the earth is passing over before you into the Jordan. [12] Now therefore take twelve men from the tribes of Israel, from each tribe a man. [13] And when the soles of the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, shall rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan shall be cut off from flowing, and the waters coming down from above shall stand in one heap." [14] So when the people set out from their tents to pass over the Jordan with the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people, [15] and as soon as those bearing the ark had come as far as the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the brink of the water (now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest), [16] the waters coming down from above stood and rose up in a heap very far away, at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, and those flowing down toward the Sea of the Arabah, the Salt Sea, were completely cut off. And the people passed over opposite Jericho. [17] Now the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood firmly on dry ground in the midst of the Jordan, and all Israel was passing over on dry ground until all the nation finished passing over the Jordan.

Sermon

A sermon is not just teaching for living a moral life; it is mainly a time when the living Christ Himself encounters His people through His Word bringing to us the full truth and grace of the gospel. Therefore, as you listen, pray to encounter the life-changing Christ.

Then I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals, They sing a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth."

Revelation 5: 1,9-10

[1] When all the nation had finished passing over the Jordan, the LORD said to Joshua, [2] "Take twelve men from the people, from each tribe a man, [3] and command them, saying, 'Take twelve stones from here out of the midst of the Jordan, from the very place where the priests' feet stood firmly, and bring them over with you and lay them down in the place where you lodge tonight.'" [4] Then Joshua called the twelve men from the people of Israel, whom he had appointed, a man from each tribe. [5] And Joshua said to them, "Pass on before the ark of the LORD your God into the midst of the Jordan, and take up each of you a stone upon his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the people of Israel, [6] that this may be a sign among you. When your children ask in time to come, 'What do those stones mean to you?' [7] then you shall tell them that the waters of the Jordan were cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD. When it passed over the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. So these stones shall be to the people of Israel a memorial forever." [8] And the people of Israel did just as Joshua commanded and took up twelve stones out of the midst of the Jordan, according to the number of the tribes of the people of Israel, just as the LORD told Joshua. And they carried them over with them to the place where they lodged and laid them down there. [9] And Joshua set up twelve stones in the midst of the Jordan, in the place where the feet of the priests bearing the ark of the covenant had stood; and they are there to this day. [10] For the priests bearing the ark stood in the midst of the Jordan until everything was finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to tell the people, according to all that Moses had commanded Joshua. The people passed over in haste. [11] And when all the people had finished passing over, the ark of the LORD and the priests passed over before the people. [12] The sons of Reuben and the sons of Gad and the half-tribe of Manasseh passed over armed before the people of Israel, as Moses had told them. [13] About 40,000 ready for war passed over before the LORD for battle, to the plains of Jericho. [14] On that day the LORD exalted Joshua in the sight of all Israel, and they stood in awe of him just as they had stood in awe of Moses, all the days of his life. [15] And the LORD said to Joshua, [16] "Command the priests bearing the ark of the testimony to come up out of the Jordan." [17] So Joshua commanded the priests, "Come up out of the Jordan." [18] And when the priests bearing the ark of the covenant of the LORD came up from the midst of the Jordan, and the soles of the priests' feet were lifted up on dry ground, the waters of the Jordan returned to their place and overflowed all its banks, as before. [19] The people came up out of the Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and they encamped at Gilgal on the east border of Jericho. [20] And those twelve stones, which they took out of the Jordan, Joshua set up at Gilgal. [21] And he said to the people of Israel, "When your children ask their fathers in times to come, 'What do these stones mean?' [22] then you shall let your children know, 'Israel passed over this Jordan on dry ground.' [23] For the LORD your God dried up the waters of the Jordan for you until you passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red Sea, which he dried up for us until we passed over, [24] so that all the peoples of the earth may know that the hand of the LORD is mighty, that you may fear the LORD your God forever.

Joshua 3 & 4 (ESV)

WORSHIP THROUGH SACRAMENT

Introduction to the Lord's Table

The Collection of the Communion of the Saints

"For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich."

2 Corinthians 8:9

Collection Hymn: *O Sacred Head Now Wounded*

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*O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame
weighed down,*

*Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, thine only crown:
How pale thou art with anguish, with sore abuse and scorn!
How does that visage languish which once was bright as
morn!*

*What thou, my Lord, has suffered was all for sinners' gain;
Mine, mine was the transgression, but thine the deadly pain.*

*Lo, here I fall, my Savior! 'Tis I deserve thy place;
Look on me with thy favor, vouchsafe to me thy grace.*

*What language shall I borrow to thank thee, dearest friend,
For this thy dying sorrow, thy pity without end?
O make me thine forever; and should I fainting be,
Lord, let me never, never outlive my love for thee.*

*At this time children will rejoin
their parents for worship,
escorted by nursery facilitators.*

*People were bringing even
infants to him that he might
touch them; and when the
disciples saw it, they sternly
ordered them not to do it. But
Jesus called for them and said,
"Let the little children come to
me, and do not stop them; for it
is to such as these that the
kingdom of God belongs.*

Luke 18:15-16

*Presentation of Gifts

[Please stand as we present our lives and gifts to Christ at His banquet table.]

...and they cast their crowns before the throne,
singing, "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive
glory and honor and power, for You created all things,
and by Your will they existed and were created."

Revelation 4:10-11

*Processional Hymn: *Doxology*

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost;
O Praise Him! O Praise Him! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

Communion Gifts

We give not as a payment for a service rendered nor out of compulsion to gain God's favor. The communion offering is symbolic of offering our whole lives and weekly vocations in consecration to God in spiritual service of worship! It is as if we join the holy procession of saints throughout history in offering ourselves as a living and holy sacrifice made acceptable to God by Christ who completes us by faith.

Please give as an act of worship and only if you can give cheerfully as unto the Lord.

The twenty-four elders fall before the one who is seated on the throne and worship the one who lives forever and ever; they cast their crowns before the throne, singing, "You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and by your will they existed and were created."

Revelation 4:10-11

*Confession of Faith

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

People: *I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from there He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Holy Catholic† Church, the Communion of Saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen. (Apostles' Creed)*

†That is, the true Christian church of all times and all places.

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: *And also with you.*

Pastor: Lift up your hearts!

All: *We lift them up to the Lord!*

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: *It is right to give him thanks and praise.*

The Eucharistic Sacrament of the Lord's Supper:

Eucharist means "the good grace" and "communion" implies a real participation in that grace. Therefore, the Lord's Supper is both a thankful memorial service to remember Christ's sacrificial death on the cross and a life giving participation in that grace as we are being united to Christ in heaven by the Holy Spirit and received by faith. In short, Christ is really present in, with and through the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, even if not bodily but spiritually being united to the body of Christ in the church.

Then I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!"
Revelation 5:11-12

Note concerning the elements of the Lord's Supper

We serve wine in the Lord's Supper, believing it to be the biblical element used. We provide grape juice for those who, out of conscience or reasons of health, do not partake of wine. Grape juice is in the outer rim.

Prayer of Consecration

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

Prayers for those not communing:

~Prayer for those searching

Oh God, I am discovering that the more I have, the more I need to have, the more I am loved, the more I need to be loved, the more I achieve, the more I need to achieve. Nothing seems to satisfy me. "Nothing tastes." Could it be, as someone once said, that "Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee." Dear God, if this is true, and if as the Bible teaches there is life and life eternal in Christ alone, please guide me to Him. Open me to the reality of the One who alone can satisfy my restless heart. Give me the courage to believe that which I cannot see but can understand, feel and touch through the Word, sacraments and church family. Lord I want to believe, please help me in my unbelief! Amen.

~Prayer of belief

Lord God, I now see that I am weaker and more flawed than I ever before believed, but in Christ, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. Even as I have not loved You or my neighbor with all of my heart, You have shown Your love for me in that while I am still sinning, Christ died for me and took upon Himself the condemnation that I deserve. I now know that You owe me nothing for my efforts, but You offer acceptance, love and blessing into all eternity because of Christ's efforts on my behalf. I therefore ask that You would enable me to turn away from trusting in my own efforts to gain Your acceptance and forgiveness, and trust in the perfectly righteous efforts of Christ on my behalf in order to be accepted by You and entered into Your holy family. And just as You raised Christ from the dead, so too I ask that You would give me a new life in Christ, one that will lead eventually to Heaven itself. Thank you for Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit to believe in Him alone for my salvation. And as You have called us to follow You in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in Your church, grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen.

***Prayers for those not
communing***

Those who have genuinely confessed their own brokenness in sin, received Christ by faith and have joined to Christ by means of joining any gospel believing church are invited to partake of the Lord's Supper. If you are not yet prepared to participate in the sacrament, please know that we are glad that you are here, even as we respect your sincerity for not participating at this time. We want CPC to be a safe place for you to be "in journey" and would not want you to feel any compulsion to partake until it is the right time as noted above. With you in mind, we have included some prayers if you would desire some aid in praying to God during this time.

***Closing Hymn:**

The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

***The Head that once was crowned with thorns
Is crowned with glory now;
A royal diadem adorns
The mighty Victor's brow.***

***The highest place that heaven affords
Is His, is His by right,
The King of kings and Lord of lords,
And heaven's eternal Light;***

***The Joy of all who dwell above,
The Joy of all below
To whom He manifests His love
And grants His name to know.***

***To them the cross, with all its shame,
With all its grace, is given;
Their name an everlasting name,
Their joy the joy of heaven.***

***They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with Him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The mystery of His love.***

***The cross He bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to Him:
His people's hope, His people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.***

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***Hymns of Coronation and
Praise***

"Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped." Revelation 5:13-14

Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Gloria Patri (#735)

*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!*

*Benediction

Leader: "Now may the Lord of peace himself give you
peace at all times in all ways. The Lord be with
you all. Amen." 2 *Thessalonians 3:16*
People: *Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!*

Postlude

Sermon Notes

Kingdom Consummation: A Renewing of Hope
Joshua 3 & 4

Exposition:

Main Point:

Inferences:

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- What is hopeful (good news) about this passage in light of our own brokenness and struggles?
- What are we led to believe from this passage?
- How does this passage help us to locate the sacred presence of Christ in our lives?
- How does this relate to the greatest commandment of loving God and one another?
- What from this passage is good news for the people and the world that you participate in?

*I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways.
Psalm 119:15 (ESV)*

If you are visiting or you regularly attend CPC, we invite you to pick up our Welcome Booklet and Ministry Guide which can be found on the greeting table in the foyer.

TODAY

There are no CPC Cafés for the month of August. We will resume the café on September 7th.

Grads and Professional Ultimate Frisbee! Today at 1pm at East Rock Park
Directions: West on Whitney Ave, right on Cold Spring, follow signs to the park.



CPC Summer Picnic Series (Final Gathering)



This Wednesday, August 13th at 6:30pm

Come chill with your CPC family on the front lawn as we sing, share, and discuss an op-ed from the New York Times. We will be practicing thinking Christianly about the world around us. Feel free to bring a blanket or lawn chairs.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Save the Date:

On Sunday, August 17th we will be saying good-bye to the Wilhelm family who will be moving to NJ at the end of summer. Please join us following service that Sunday.

We will be serving pizza on the church lawn *weather permitting*:

\$5 - age 12 and over, \$2 – age 11 and under

Please bring blankets, lawn chairs and memories to share about the Wilhelm Family.

CPC Last Gasp Picnic:

Save the date for the annual CPC Last Gasp Picnic which will follow worship on Sunday, August 31st. Please join us at East Rock Park for fun, fellowship, food, and games at this potluck style picnic. Families and couples please bring 2 dishes to share. Singles please bring 1 dish. Undergraduate students are our guest.

Upcoming Grad/Pro Sunday Fellowship Events:

8/17 TBD

8/24 TBD

Nursery Volunteers Needed:

Due to the loss of some of our workers because of graduation, moving, and job commitments, the nursery is in need of a number of volunteers. The commitment typically involves work in the nursery, either during the Sunday School hour or the Worship Service, once every 5 or 6 weeks. The nursery provides a wonderful opportunity to minister to the youngest members of our congregation. If you are interested, please contact Karen Peck at kitkaren@optonline.net. Thanks in advance.

Looking For Volunteers: We are in need of some volunteers to help watch our children during the Moms' Book Study on Tuesdays during the school year from 10:30-11:30 AM. Even if you are only able to volunteer once/month, your help would be greatly appreciated! Please contact Heather Woolbert at heather@woolbert.com or (203) 375-1414 if you are interested. Thank you!

GOT ANNOUNCEMENTS? WILL POST!

Communicate with the congregation: events, job opportunities, housing, other non-sponsored church activities, etc.

E-mail your information to cpc.ad@snet.net.

Look for these announcements in the weekly email and on the Parlor bulletin board.
(Postings must be received by noon on Wednesday to be guaranteed in the next Weekly.)

Get Connected at CPC

CPC Prayer Groups

- 1) Women's prayer group meets every Thursday morning from 9:00 to 9:45 am at Peggy Kebabian's home in Guilford. For more information contact Peggy Kebabian at 453-6965 or Jennifer Cheng at 457-9825.
- 2) Coffee and prayer with the pastors in the Fellowship Hall 7:00 to 8:00 am every Tuesday morning.
- 3) Weekly prayer request email – sent out every week. If you would like to receive our weekly prayer requests and participate in CPC's concert of prayer just email the administrator at cpc.ad@snet.net and we will add you to our prayer email list.

CPC Community Groups

Groups meet throughout the month - if you would be interested in joining a community group or for more information, please contact Tolivar Wills at cpctolivar@snet.net or call 777-6960.

CPC Sunday Nursery Schedule

Please contact Karen Peck at kitkaren@optonline.net for Sunday scheduling.

8/10 SS: Megan Paek, Paul Wildey
Worship: Martha Olson, Molly and Tim Gribble, Catherine Olson

8/17: No SS
Worship: Peggy Kebabian, Heather Woolbert, Katherine Routenberg, Yvonne Lempke

8/24: No SS
Worship: Keri Cocchiola, Benny Finch, Laura Derksen, Russell Bogue

8/31: No SS
Worship: Stephanie Lim, Lei Chen, Kristy Lamb, Arijana Lempke

9/7 SS: Sam Wills, Kit Schmeisser
Worship: Joanne Donovan, Karen Peck, Leah Kelley, Katherine Bogue

9/14 SS: Julie Bruce, Steve Woolbert
Worship: Valerie Rogotzke, Martha Olson, Sandy Cassella, Phoebe Kebabian

9/21 SS: Evan Finch, Megan Paek
Worship: Paul Wildey, Hannah Chen, Nancy Shields, Anna Graham

9/28 SS: Kit Schmeisser
Worship: Peggy Kebabian, Molly and Tim Gribble, Gwen Hawkes

10/5 SS: Karen Peck
Worship: Katherine Routenberg, Keri Cocchiola, Heather Woolbert, Ellen Kebabian

10/12 SS: Leah Kelley, Valerie Rogotzke
Worship: Benny Finch, Kristy Lamb, Lei Chen, Vivian Cheng

10/19 SS: Sam Wills, Steve Woolbert
Worship: Joanne Donovan, Laura Derksen, Stephanie Lim, Hailey Wills

10/26 SS: Julie Bruce, Evan Finch
Worship: Sandy Cassella, Hannah Chen, Paul Wildey, Yvonne Lempke
