

# 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](http://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.

October 5, 2008

10:30 AM

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

### *Service Order 3*

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Prelude & Pre-Worship Meditation

Opening Songs of Praise and Worship

### *Ancient Of Days*

***Blessing and honor, glory and power, be unto the Ancient of Days.  
From ev'ry nation, all of creation, bow before the Ancient of Days.***

*Chorus: Ev'ry tongue in heaven and earth, shall declare Your glory.  
Ev'ry knee shall bow at Your throne in worship.  
You will be exalted, O God, and Your kingdom shall not pass away,  
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### **BRIDGE:**

***Your kingdom shall reign over all the earth.  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.  
For none can compare to Your matchless worth.  
Sing unto the Ancient of Days.***

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." Psalm 46:10*

*\* Congregation Standing  
wherever indicated throughout  
bulletin.*

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

**\* King Of the Nations**

**Come, let us worship Jesus, King of nations, Lord of all,  
Magnificent and glorious, just and merciful  
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.  
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.**

**Lavish our heart's affection, deepest love and highest praise.  
Voice, race and language blending, all the world amazed.  
Chorus**

**Bring tributes from the nations, come in joyful cavalcades.  
One thund'rous acclamation, one banner raised.  
Chorus**

**Come, Lord, and fill your temple, glorify your dwelling place;  
Till nations see your splendor and seek your face.  
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.  
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.  
Lord of all.**

**Fear God and give him glory for his hour of judgment comes.  
Creator, Lord Almighty, worship him alone.  
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.  
Jesus, King of the nations. Worship Him alone.**

*Invitational Songs of Prayers  
for God's Presence  
And I looked, and there in  
heaven a door stood open.  
Rev. 4:1*

**\*Hymn of Praise: Tell Out My Soul**

**#26**

**Tell, out my soul, the greatness of the Lord;  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
Tender to me the promise of his word;  
In God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.**

**Tell, out my soul, the greatness of his name:  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
His mercy sure, from age to age the same;  
His holy name, the Lord, the Mighty One.**

**Tell, out my soul, the greatness of his might:  
Pow'rs and dominions lay their glory by;  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.**

**Tell, out my soul, the greatness of his word:  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
To children's children and forever more.**

**WORSHIP THROUGH INVOCATION AND ADORATION**

\*Call to Worship: Psalm 90:1, 2, 16 & 17

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Leader: Let your work be shown to your servants, and your glorious power to their children.

**People: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and establish the work of our hands upon us; yes, establish the work of our hands!**

\*Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

\* Hymn of Doxology: *All People That on Earth Do Dwell*

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

**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! Rev. 4:2*

**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."  
Rev. 4:8*

Old Testament Reading: Jonah 3:1-10 (sermon text)

New Testament Reading: Matthew 12:38-41

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Meditation: *Have Thine Own Way, Lord (vs. 1) #688*

*Have thine own way, Lord! Have thine own way.  
Thou art the potter; I am the clay.  
Mold me and make me after thy will,  
While I am waiting, yielded and still. 2x*

**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. Rev. 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 THE WORD

**Sermon:** Kevin Nelson  
*"Hard Lessons in God's Mercy: Surprised by Mercy."*

[Sermon notes located on page 16]

*Then the word of the Lord came to Jonah the second time, saying, [2] "Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you." [3] So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days' journey in breadth. [4] Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's journey. And he called out, "Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" [5] And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.*

*[6] The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. [7] And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, "By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, [8] but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. [9] Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish."*

*[10] When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.*

Jonah 3:1-10 (ESV)

### 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."*

Rev. 5:1, 9-10

Right after the sermon is a good time to retrieve your children from childcare to experience the Lord's Table, especially on the weeks we come forward (first Sunday of the month) in order to receive God's blessing for his covenant children.

*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

## WORSHIP THROUGH CONFESSION, ABSOLUTION & SACRAMENT

Introduction to the Lord's Table

Corporate Confession:

*[Participants may kneel or lean forward]*

**Leader:** Our great and everlasting God, Whose eternal power and divine nature have been seen through the things You have made, we ask for your forgiveness even as we acknowledge that we are without excuse.

**People:** *For although we have known You, we have not honored you as God or given you thanks, but we have become futile in our thinking, and our senseless minds have been darkened. Claiming to be wise, we have become fools.*

**Leader:** We have been filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, covetousness, and malice.

**People:** *We are prone to envy, strife, deceit, and craftiness; we are gossips, slanderers, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, faithless, and heartless.*

**Leader:** Yet we thankfully acknowledge that when we were weak, at the right time, Christ died for the ungodly.

**All:** *We most joyfully confess that You have proven your love for us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Forgive our sins, we pray, through Him who was handed over to death for our trespasses and was raised for our justification. Amen.*

*[Based upon Romans 1 and Romans 5]*

### 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.*

Rev. 2-4

Private Confession

Absolution

Leader: Hear now God’s assurance of pardon:

“The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the foremost.” *1 Timothy 1:15*

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*

**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.” (Mt. 16:19)*

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

Communal Prayer

*[Participants may be seated]*

**Special Needs**

**Prayer for our Members: The Casella Family**

**Mission to North America:**

Mission Utah Executive Director Anthony Thomas asks for your prayers as he travels to Sierra View Presbyterian Church in Fresno CA to tell them about church planting in Utah. Pray also for Anthony as he participates in Jordan Presbyterian Church Missions Week, October 19 - 25 in Jordan UT to bring encouraging words of God's work in Utah.

Praise God with Church Planter Ray Cannata of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New Orleans LA for the continued interest in disaster relief among PCA churches across the country. Pray that more churches will send mission teams to work with Redeemer to rebuild the city this fall.

Please pray for the Disaster Response Key Leader Group (DRKL), a large group of volunteers assisting in disasters and the disaster response worksites, including those in Iowa, Mississippi and Louisiana. Pray that more volunteers will be called into short term missions throughout the fall and that the ministries they are serving will be strengthened and lost people will be found. Pray for God to calm the certain storms.

- Please pray for Michael Langer, church planter with One Ancient Hope Project in Iowa City IA, as he coordinates our disaster response for the Iowa flooding. Pray that God will continue to lead Michael to lost folks and that One Ancient Hope will be an oasis for those thirsting for Living Water. Pray for financial provision for one of the PCA's newest mission works, planted in this city that desperately needs the Gospel of Christ.
- Give thanks for the ordination of Shane Gibson who is now serving as assistant pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian Church in New Orleans LA. Give thanks, too, for the full funding for Ken Kostrzewa, who is also serving at Redeemer as Relief Volunteer Coordinator.
- Pray for YoWAW 2009, the annual conference for youth focusing on missions opportunities.

**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*

**\*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**

**#731 (Old Hundredth)**

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

**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."*

*Rev. 4:10-11*

**\*Confession of Faith**

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

**Congregation:** *We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible, and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to the life in the world to come. Amen.*

[Nicene Creed, 325 AD]

**\*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 the grace of Christ's once and accomplished by 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 as 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!" Rev. 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: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

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*All hail the power of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all;  
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown him Lord of all!*

*Crown him ye martyrs of your God, who from his altar call:  
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all;  
Extol the stem of Jesse's rod, and crown him Lord of all!*

*Let every kindred, every tribe on this terrestrial ball,  
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all;  
To him all majesty ascribe, and crown him Lord of all.*

*O that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all;  
We'll join the everlasting song, and crown him Lord of all.*

*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.  
Rev. 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 God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do his will, working in you that which is pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen." *Hebrews 13:20-21*

*People: Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!*

Postlude

### Sermon Notes

*"Hard Lessons in God's Mercy: Surprised by Mercy."*  
Jonah 3:1-10

Exposition:

Main Point:

Inferences:

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### Scripture Meditation

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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)*

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*Welcome Newcomers!*

We are so glad you are here with us today. We invite you to pick up our Welcome Booklet and Ministry Guide which can be found on the foyer table.

**This Weekend  
October 10<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**

Living the Vision: Celebrating 15 years in the City

This will be a special conference celebrating the completion and dedication of the sanctuary, our 15-year anniversary and our ongoing vision campaign.

Please fill out the RSVP card and leave in the basket on the foyer table or be sure to email the administrator at [cpc.ad@snet.net](mailto:cpc.ad@snet.net) and let her know if you plan to attend or not. A donation of \$60 per plate is recommended, but not required. We would like for everyone to attend regardless of financial ability. For those able, please consider donating a plate(s). If writing a check, please indicate the banquet on the memo line. Thanks!

**TODAY** CPC Café is open immediately following worship service (\$4.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children, visitors are free)

**City Wide Open Studios:** Today is the last day to see our city's art on display Be sure to take a tour.

**College Students!** All College Students are invited to Crossroads. The first Sunday of every month college students are invited for food, fellowship and a study of God's word. We'll have books and CDs to buy and give away. This is a time to connect with other Christian college students and also a time to invite a friend. Tonight at 8pm in LC 211. Contact Kevin Nelson at [knelson@ruf.org](mailto:knelson@ruf.org) for more information.

**Kids Club and Study Center:** Please join us every Wednesday for a catered dinner at 5:30pm followed by Kids Club and Study Center classes from 6 to 7. The adult study center classes will be Christianity & Culture and Christian Parenting.

**To All Aspiring Theologians!** Rev. Graham is leading a theological reading group! The group meets on Wednesday evening at 7:30pm in the parlor to discuss selected readings in John Calvin's *Institutes of the Christian Religion*. All readings are on reserve in the CPC library. This week's selections is *Institutes* Chapter 10, 13 & 14..

**Attention Grad/Pro:** Save the Date of October 25<sup>th</sup> for a day trip. Details forthcoming.

**Update on Sandy Casella:**

Please remain in prayer for Sandy Casella. You may keep up with her progress at her blog: <http://hikinguphill.blogspot.com/>.

**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 Keabian's home in Guilford. For more information contact Peggy Keabian 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.

**CPC Mom's Study Group**

Meets every Thursday morning in the Parlor from 10:15 -11:15am For more information contact Heather Woolbert at [heather@woolbert.com](mailto:heather@woolbert.com) or 203-375-1414.

**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](mailto:cpctolivar@snet.net) or call 777-6960.

**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](mailto: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.)

**CPC Sunday Nursery Schedule**

*Please contact Karen Peck at [kitkaren@optonline.net](mailto:kitkaren@optonline.net) for Sunday scheduling.*

October 5:  
SS: Karen Peck  
Worship: Karen Peck, Keri Cocchiola, Heather Woolbert, Ellen Keabian

October 12:  
SS: Ruth Phillips, Valerie Rogotzke  
Worship: Benny Finch, Kristy Lamb, Lei Chen, Vivian Cheng

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

October 26:  
SS: Julie Bruce, Evan Finch  
Worship: Marney Walker, Hannah Chen, Paul Wildey, Yvonne Lempke

