

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.

October 19, 2008

10:30 AM

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Service Order 4

Prelude & Pre-Worship Meditation

Opening Songs of Praise and Worship

How Lovely Shines the Morning Star

*How lovely shines the Morning Star!
The nations see and hail afar the light in Judah shining.
Thou David's son of Jacob's race,
My bridegroom and my King of grace,
For thee my heart is pining.
Lowly, holy, great and glorious, thou victorious,
Prince of graces, filling all the heav'nly places.*

*Now richly to my waiting heart,
O thou, my God, deign to impart the grace of love undying.
In thy blest body let me be,
E'en as the branch is in the tree,
Thy life my life supplying.
Sighing, crying, for the savior of thy favor;
Resting never till I rest in thee forever.*

*Thou, mighty Father, in thy Son,
Didst love me ere thou hadst begun this ancient world's foundation.
Thy Son hath made a friend of me,
And when in Spirit him I see,
I joy in tribulation.
What bliss is this! He that liveth to me giveth
Life forever; nothing me from him can sever.*

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

WORSHIP THROUGH INVOCATION AND ADORATION

*Call to Worship: Psalm 95:1-6

Leader: O come, let us sing unto the Lord; let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

People: *Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving, and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.*

Leader: For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

People: *In his hand are all the corners of the earth, and the strength of the hills is his also.*

Leader: The sea is his and he made it, and his hands prepared the dry land.

People: *O come, let us worship and fall down and kneel before the Lord our Maker.*

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*

*Hymn of Praise: *A Mighty Fortress Is our God*

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*A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
Our helper he amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;
His craft and pow'r are great; and armed with cruel hate,
On earth is not his equal.*

*Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be losing;
Were not the right man on our side, the man of God's own choosing.
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is he,
Lord Sabaoth his name, from age to age the same,
And he must win the battle.*

*And though this world, with devils filled, should threaten to undo us,
We will not fear, for God hath willed his truth to triumph through us.
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him;
his rage we can endure, for lo! His doom is sure;
one little word shall fell him.*

*That Word above all earthly pow'rs, no thanks to them, abideth;
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;
The body they may kill: God's truth abideth still;
His kingdom is forever.*

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

** Congregation Standing
wherever indicated throughout
bulletin.*

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

*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!*

Old Testament Reading: Jonah 4: 1-11
New Testament Reading: Mark 8:31-37
Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God!

Meditation: *Spirit of the Living God*
(Instrumental meditation – Sing 2x)

*Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me.
Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me.
Break me! Melt me! Mold me! Fill me!
Spirit of the Living God fall fresh on me.*

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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: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

People: O LORD, do not rebuke us in your anger, or discipline us in your wrath. For your arrows have sunk into us, and your hand has come down on us. There is no soundness in our flesh because of your indignation; there is no health in our bones because of our sin. For our iniquities have gone over our heads; they weigh like burdens too heavy for us. Forgive our sins, pardon our iniquities, and restore our communion with You, we ask through our Blessed Lord Jesus, Who for a little while was made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, Who by your grace tasted death for everyone. Amen.

[Based upon Psalm 38 and Hebrews 3]

Private Confession

Absolution

Leader: Hear now God’s assurance of pardon:

“For Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.” *Hebrews 9:24*

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:

[At the invitation of the Pastor you may share your prayer request or praise at this time. You may also use your prayer request cards and place in prayer basket at the back of the sanctuary.]

Prayer for our Members: Chelsea Chen, Keri-Jo Cocchiola

Mission to North America:

Pray for **Church Planter Scott Puckett** and **Christ Kingdom Church in Orlando FL**. Please pray for ongoing spiritual renewal for Scott, his family and the church. Also pray for the outreach oriented Bible studies they are starting this fall, specifically targeting their community.

Pray for **Church Planting Apprentice Tim Barton, Jr.** and his wife, **Caryann**, called to join **Grace Church in Layton UT**. Pray that God will prepare their hearts and minds for ministry in Layton and to fear only Him. Pray that God will increase their faith as they seek to share it with their son, Garrison. Pray for their fund raising efforts and specifically for God to provide the finances needed to move to Utah from Stanley NC by November. The Bartons praise God for his continual leading and constant provision.

Please pray for **MNA Church Planter Development Director Jim Hatch:**

- Pray for Jim as he spends time this fall on several seminary campuses. Pray for effective ministry to students and that the Lord will continue to call many into church planting.
- Jim is regularly in contact with scores of seminary students, assistant pastors and others who show interest in starting a church. Pray for wisdom as he counsels them in person, on the phone and through email.
- Pray for individuals and churches this fall who understand the vision of developing church planters to commit to Jim's financial support.

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: *How Deep the Father's Love for Us*

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

*How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.*

*Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished.*

*I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my
ransom.*

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Sermon:

Hard Lessons in God's Mercy: The Radical Cure Kevin Nelson

[Sermon notes located on page 16]

But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was angry. [2] And he prayed to the Lord and said, "O Lord, is not this what I said when I was yet in my country? That is why I made haste to flee to Tarshish; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and relenting from disaster. [3] Therefore now, O Lord, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." [4] And the Lord said, "Do you do well to be angry?"

[5] Jonah went out of the city and sat to the east of the city and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, till he should see what would become of the city. [6] Now the Lord God appointed a plant and made it come up over Jonah, that it might be a shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort. So Jonah was exceedingly glad because of the plant. [7] But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the plant, so that it withered. [8] When the sun rose, God appointed a scorching east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint. And he asked that he might die and said, "It is better for me to die than to live." [9] But God said to Jonah, "Do you do well to be angry for the plant?" And he said, "Yes, I do well to be angry, angry enough to die." [10] And the Lord said, "You pity the plant, for which you did not labor, nor did you make it grow, which came into being in a night and perished in a night. [11] And should not I pity Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than 120,000 persons who do not know their right hand from their left, and also much cattle?"

Jonah 4:1-11 (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."

Revelation 5: 1,9-10

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: *Before the Throne of God Above*

*Before the throne of God above; I have one strong and perfect plea.
A great high priest whose name is Love; who ever lives and pleads for me.
My name is graven on his hands; My name is written on his heart.
I know that while in heav'n he stands, no tongue can bid me thence depart,
No tongue can bid me thence depart.*

*When Satan tempts me to despair and tells me of the wrong within,
Upward I look and see him there; who made an end to all my sin.
Because the sinless Savior died; my sinful soul is counted free.
For God, the Just is satisfied; to look on him and pardon me,
To look on him and pardon me.*

*Behold him there! The Risen Lamb; my perfect spotless Righteousness.
The great unchangeable I Am; the King of Glory and of grace.
One with Himself I cannot die; my soul is purchased by his blood.
My life is hid with Christ on high; with Christ my Savior and my God,
With Christ my Savior and my God.*

At this time children will rejoin their parents for worship, escorted by nursery facilitators. This is in order to experience the Lord's Table as a more complete covenant family, 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*

***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**

(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.***

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?

Congregation: *I believe that the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and everything in them, who still upholds and rules them by his eternal counsel and providence, is my God and Father because of Christ his Son. I believe that Jesus is the Son of God and saves us from our sins even as salvation cannot be found in anyone else; it is futile to look for any salvation elsewhere. I believe that the Holy Spirit is eternal God and that He has been given to me personally, so that, by true faith, He makes me share in Christ and all his blessings, comforts me, and remains with me forever.*

[Selections from Heidelberg Catechism]

***Prayer of Thanksgiving**

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

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

Pastor: Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**All: *Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

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

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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

*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.*

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 our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.” Amen.

2 Thessalonians 2:16-17

People: Thanks be to God! Hallelujah!

Postlude

Sermon Notes

Hard Lessons in God's Mercy: The Radical Cure

Jonah 4: 1-11

Exposition:

Main Point:

Inferences:

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Scripture Meditation

- 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)*

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.

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

College and High School Students: Student Partnership is Today! Student Partnership is a mentoring relationship that meets one Sunday a month, involving high school students, their parents, and college students. Grab lunch downstairs and bring it to the Lecture Room.

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 are from *Institutes Book One, chapters 16 & 17*.

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.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Grad/Pro Day Trip! Next Saturday we'll travel to Foster Farm (www.fosterfarm.com) for some fun fall events. We'll meet at CPC at 10 am, eat lunch in South Windsor, and enjoy a really cool corn maze, go to a park, and possibly go on a tree tour (elizabethpark.org). Contact Kevin Nelson at knelson@ruf.org for more information.

Welcome Lunch with Our Pastor: You are invited to join Rev. Graham for lunch next week after the worship service. This is a great time to get know our pastor and all the wonderful events planned for the upcoming semester.

Save the Date: November 9th is our next Christian Faith & Practice. CF&P is a quarterly luncheon intended to help us understand the integration of our faith and vocation.

Van Drivers Needed: We are looking for various people to go through the process of getting licensed to drive the church van to provide rides to church for college students. A few of our physicians have offered to provide the required physical for free! If money is an issue, the \$75 fees will be provided. Once we have enough drivers, we will establish a driving/pick-up schedule for students. This is a great way to help the church reach Yale's campus for Christ.

CHRISTMAS IS COMING!

Share your gift of song! All singers are welcome to be a part of our Christmas choir. Christmas choir rehearsals will begin next Sunday, October 26th, to prepare to sing for our Christmas Service in December. Rehearsals will be in the sanctuary after the CPC Cafe. So, enjoy lunch with friends at the Cafe then bring them along to rehearsal. Any questions, contact Janine Lempke at 720-7912 or singpraz@sbcglobal.net.

Also, if you would like to participate in our Christmas service on December 12, now is the time to let us know as the service is still in the planning stage. We can always use the following talents: *Dramatic readers, lighting, sound, decoration, choir members and quote researchers*. If you have a talent that is not listed or an idea for our service that you would like to offer please contact our worship director Joe Shields. cpc.joe@snet.net.

Get Connected at CPC

CPC Prayer Groups

- 1) Women's prayer group meets every Wednesday morning from 9:30 to 10:30am 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.

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 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 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.

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 for Sunday scheduling.

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

November 2:

SS: Megan Paek

Worship: Gary Wininger, Peggy Kebabian, Molly & Tim Gribble

November 9:

SS: Ruth Phillips & Kit Schmeisser

Worship: Martha Olson, Catherine Olson, Valerie Rogtozke, Keri Cocchiola