

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 2:30 pm Monday-Thursday. 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.

November 18, 2007

10:30 AM

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Service Order 4

Prelude & Pre-Worship Meditation

And in the middle of the sixth month the Lord visited Sarah and did unto her as He had spoken and she conceived. And she bare a son in the third month, and in the middle of the month, at the time of which the Lord had spoken to Abraham, on the festival of the first fruits of the harvest, Isaac was born. And Abraham circumcised his son on the eighth day: he was the first that was circumcised according to the covenant which is ordained for ever. And in the sixth year of the fourth week we came to Abraham...and we announced to him all the things which had been decreed concerning him, that ... in Isaac should his name and seed be called: And (that) all the seed of his sons should be Gentiles, and be reckoned with the Gentiles; but from the sons of Isaac one should become a holy seed... for he should become the portion of the Most High, and all his seed had fallen into the possession of God, that it should be unto the Lord a people for (His) possession above all nations and that it should become a kingdom and priests and a holy nation. And we went our way, and we announced to Sarah all that we had told him, and they both rejoiced with exceeding great joy. And he built there an altar to the Lord who had delivered him, and who was making him rejoice in the land of his sojourning, and he celebrated a festival of joy in this month seven days, near the altar which he had built at the Well of the Oath. And he built booths for himself and for his servants on this festival, and he was the first to celebrate the feast of tabernacles on the earth. And during these seven days he brought each day to the altar a burnt offering to the Lord, two oxen, two rams, seven sheep, one he-goat, for a sin offering, that he might atone thereby for himself and for his seed... And he celebrated this feast during seven days, rejoicing with all his heart and with all his soul, he and all those who were in his house, and there was no stranger with him, nor any that was uncircumcised. And he blessed his Creator who had created him in his generation, for He had created him according to His good pleasure; for He knew and perceived that from him would arise the plant of righteousness for the eternal generations, and from him a holy seed, so that it should become like Him who had made all things. And he blessed and rejoiced, and he called the name of this festival the festival of the Lord, a joy acceptable to the Most High God. And we blessed him for ever, and all his seed after him throughout all the generations of the earth, because he celebrated this festival in its season, according to the testimony of the heavenly tablets. For this reason it is ordained on the heavenly tablets concerning Israel, that they shall celebrate the feast of tabernacles seven days with joy, in the seventh month, acceptable before the Lord -a statute for ever throughout their generations every year... And Abraham took branches of palm trees, and the fruit of goodly trees, and every day going round the altar with the branches seven times [a day] in the morning, he praised and gave thanks to his God for all things in joy.

The Book of Jubilees (160 B.C.E.) Excerpt taken from 16:13ff.

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

Opening Songs of Praise and Worship

Jesus, Lover of My Soul

*Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to thy bosom fly,
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high:
Hide me, O my Savior, hide, 'till the storm is past
Safe into the haven guide, receive my soul at last.*

*Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on thee;
Leave, ah! leave me not alone, still support and comfort me!
All my trust on thee is stayed, help from thee I bring;
Cover my defenseless head the shadow of thy wing.*

*Thou, O Christ, art all I want; more than all in thee I find;
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick, and lead the blind.
Just and holy is thy name; I am all unrighteousness;
False and full of sin I am, thou full of truth and grace.*

*Plenteous grace with thee is found, grace to cover all my sin;
Let the healing streams abound; make and keep me pure within:
Thou of life the fountain art, let me take of thee;
Spring thou up within my heart, to all eternity.*

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

**We Will Glorify*

*We will glorify the King of kings,
We will glorify the Lamb;
We will glorify the Lord of lords,
For He is the great I Am.*

*Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty,
We will bow before His throne;
We will worship Him in righteousness,
We will worship Him alone.*

*Hallelujah to the King of kings,
Hallelujah to the Lamb;
Hallelujah to the Lord of lords,
For He is the great I Am.*

*He is Lord of heaven, Lord of earth,
He is Lord of all who live;
He is Lord above the universe,
All praise to Him we give.*

** Congregation Standing
wherever indicated throughout
bulletin.*

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

WORSHIP THROUGH INVOCATION AND ADORATION

*Call to Worship: Psalm 63:1-5

Leader: O God, you are my God, earnestly I seek you;

People: *My soul thirsts for you, my body longs for you, in a dry and weary land where there is no water.*

Leader: I have seen you in the sanctuary and beheld your power and your glory.

People: *Because your love is better than life, my lips will glorify you.*

Leader: I will praise you as long as I live, and in your name I will lift up my hands.

People: *My soul will be satisfied as with the richest of foods; with singing lips my mouth will praise you.*

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

*Hymn of Praise: *We Come, O Christ, to You*

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*We come, O Christ, to you, true Son of God and man,
By whom all things consist, in whom all life began:
In you alone we live and move, and have our being in your love.*

*You are the Way to God, your blood our ransom paid;
In you we face our Judge and Maker unafraid.
Before the throne absolved we stand, your love has met your law's demand.*

*You are the living Truth! All wisdom dwells in you,
The Source of every skill, the one eternal True!
O great I AM! In you we rest, sure answer to our every quest.*

*You only are true Life, to know you is to live
The more abundant life that earth can never give:
O risen Lord! We live in you: in us each day your life renew!*

*We worship you, Lord Christ, our Savior and our King,
To you our youth and strength adoringly we bring:
So fill our hearts, that all may view your life in us, and turn to you.*

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*

*Invocation and Prayer of Adoration

*Doxology (#733)

***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!***

Old Testament Reading: *Genesis 22:1-14*

New Testament Reading: *John 8:30-59*

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God!

Meditation: ***Come and Fill***

***Come and fill our hearts with your peace.
You alone, O Lord, are holy.
Come and fill our hearts with your peace. Alleluia. 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 CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Corporate Confession:

[Participants may kneel or lean forward]

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

People: Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. We acknowledge that we have sinned against you alone. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which, by the power of your Holy Spirit, we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image; through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Private Confession

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

Absolution

Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through [Jesus Christ] forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses. Acts 13:38-39

Communal Prayer

[Participants may be seated]

Pastoral Prayer:

Prayer for our Members: Ted & Joanne Leaf

Special Needs: Rebecca Bach & Family, sudden loss of Rebecca's sister, Finance Team--Steve, Arnie, Janine, Paul, Shi-Jen

Mission to the World: Church of Peru & MTW missionaries & families

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)

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: *Satisfied*

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

***All my life long I had panted for a drink from some cool spring
That I hoped would quench the burning of the thirst I felt within.***

*Chorus: Hallelujah! He has found me,
the One my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings;
through his blood I now am saved.*

***Feeding on the filth around me till my strength was almost gone
Longed my soul for something better, only still to hunger on.***

Chorus

***Poor I was and sought for riches, something that would satisfy
But the dust I gathered 'round me only mocked my soul's sad cry.***

Chorus

***Well of water ever springing, Bread of life so rich and free
Untold wealth that never faileth my Redeemer is to me.***

Chorus

WORSHIP THROUGH THE WORD

Sermon: The Joy of Abraham

Rev. Preston Graham

[Sermon notes located on page 17]

As he was saying these things, many believed in him.

[31] So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, [32] and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." [33] They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

[34] Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. [35] The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. [36] So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. [37] I know that you are offspring of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me because my word finds no place in you. [38] I speak of what I have seen with my Father, and you do what you have heard from your father."

[39] They answered him, "Abraham is our father." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, you would be doing what Abraham did, [40] but now you seek to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. This is not what Abraham did. [41] You are doing what your father did." They said to him, "We were not born of sexual immorality. We have one Father—even God." [42] Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I came from God and I am here. I came not of my own accord, but he sent me. [43] Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word. [44] You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has nothing to do with the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies. [45] But because I tell the truth, you do not believe me. [46] Which one of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me? [47] Whoever is of God hears the words of God. The reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

[48] The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?" [49] Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon, but I honor my Father, and you dishonor me. [50] Yet I do not seek my own glory; there is One who seeks it, and he is the judge. [51] Truly, truly, I say to you, if anyone keeps my word, he will never see death." [52] The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon! Abraham died, as did the prophets, yet you say, 'If anyone keeps my word, he will never taste death.' [53] Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you make yourself out to be?" [54] Jesus answered, "If I glorify myself, my glory is nothing. It is my Father who glorifies me, of whom you say, 'He is our God.'

[55] But you have not known him. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and I keep his word. [56] Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." [57] So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" [58] Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am." [59] So they picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple. John 8:30-59 (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

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: *When I Survey the Wondrous Cross* #252

*When I survey the wondrous cross
On which the Prince of glory died,
My richest gain I count but loss,
And pour contempt on all my pride.*

*Forbid it, Lord, that I should boast,
Save in the death of Christ my God:
All the vain things that charm me most,
I sacrifice them to his blood.*

*See, from his head his hands, his feet,
Sorrow and love flow mingled down:
Did e'er such love and sorrow meet,
Or thorns compose so rich a crown?*

*Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were a present far too small;
Love so amazing, so divine,
Demands my soul, my life, my all.*

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*

***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: 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.*

***Confession of Faith**

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

People: *I believe in the one eternal God, Creator and Lord of the world, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who governs all things according to the purpose of His will. I believe that God has been calling out from the world a people for Himself, the church, and sending His people back into the world to be His servants and witnesses for the extension of His Kingdom and for His glory. I believe in the divine inspiration, truthfulness and authority of both the Old and New Testament Scriptures in their entirety as the only written word of God, and in the power of God's word to accomplish His purpose of salvation. I believe that there is only one Savior, Jesus Christ, and that He will return personally and visibly, in power and glory, to consummate His salvation and His judgment. I believe in the Holy Spirit whom the Father has sent to bear witness to His Son, believing that conviction of sin, faith in Christ, new birth, and Christian growth are all His work.*

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

***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.*

Prayer of Consecration

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Words of Institution

Sharing the Bread and Cup

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!" 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.

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: *Join All The Glorious Names

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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." Rev. 5:13-14

***Join all the glorious names
Of wisdom, love, and power,
That ever mortals knew,
That angels ever bore:
All are too poor to speak His worth,
To poor to set my Savior forth.***

***Great Prophet of my God,
My tongue would bless Thy Name,
By Thee the joyful news
Of our salvation came,
The joyful news of sin forgiv'n
Of hell subdued, and peace with Heav'n.***

***Jesus, my great High Priest,
Offered His blood, and died;
My guilty conscience seeks
No sacrifice beside:
His pow'rful blood did once atone,
And now it pleads before the throne.***

***My Savior and my Lord,
My Conqueror and my King,
Thy scepter and Thy sword,
Thy reigning grace I sing:
Thine is the power; behold I sit
In willing bonds beneath Thy feet.***

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

The Joy of Abraham

John 8:30-59

Exposition:

Main Point:

Inferences:



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.

JOIN THE ONLINE SERMON DISCUSSION

Please visit the CPC homepage to access links to the sermon discussion message board. All are invited to participate. Community Groups are encouraged to share their thoughts online following their conversation or visit the message board prior to their meeting to facilitate discussion. <http://groups.google.com/group/cpcnewhaven/>

THIS WEEK:

No church events this week due to Thanksgiving Holidays.

UPCOMING EVENTS

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22nd

THANKSGIVING IN-HOME FELLOWSHIP MEALS

This is the last Sunday to sign up for the thanksgiving in-home fellowship meals. The sign up sheets will be on the table in the church foyer.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24th

CPC WORKDAY
8:00 am - 12:00pm
1:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Bring rakes, leaf bags, work gloves, leaf blowers, & a few trucks for delivery of the goods. To help with planning for tools & supplies please email Gary Wininger (garywininger@hotmail.com) if you plan to come & note any equipment you can bring.

Can't make the leaf raking? Still want to serve your church? Come help make the church shine for the holiday. We will be cleaning the church from 1:00 pm til 4:00pm. No experience necessary, just a willing heart and hand. Oh and maybe a back or two! Contact Barbara Battista if any questions barbbattista@yahoo.com

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Now that we have your attention, our Christmas service is December 14. If you would like to participate 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 ASAP.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY GROUPS

Please see the bulletin board in the foyer for meeting dates, times and locations.

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 Mom's Study Group

Meets every Tuesday morning in the Parlor from 10:30 -11:30. For more information contact Heather Woolbert at heather@woolbert.com or 203-375-1414.

CPC Women's Prayer Group

Meets every Thursday morning from 10:30 to 11:30 at Peggy Keabian's home in Guilford. For more information contact Peggy Keabian at 453-6965 or Jennifer Cheng at 457-9825.

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 Abby Hodges abby.hodges@yale.edu for Sunday scheduling.

11/18 SS: Julie Bruce, Heidi Shimp	Worship: Hailey Wills, Hannah and Lei Chen, Stephanie Lim
11/25 SS: No Sunday School	Worship: Arijana Lempke, Peggy Keabian, Paul Wildey, Abby Hodges
12/2 SS: Megan Paek, Steve Woolbert	Worship: Vivian Cheng, Heather Woolbert, Keri Cocchiola, Karen Peck
12/9 SS: Nancy Shields and Benny Finch	Worship: Yvonne Lempke, Scott Wilhelm, Sara Daniel, Kristy Lamb
12/16 SS: Joanne Donovan and Jim Thomas	Worship: Lizzy Olson, Sam Wills, Molly and Tim Gribble
12/23 SS: No Sunday School	Worship: Heather Woolbert, Anna Graham, Hannah and Lei Chen
12/30 SS: No Sunday School	Worship: Nathan Graham, Julie Bruce, Abby Hodges, Peggy Keabian
1/6 SS: No Sunday School	Worship: Russell Bogue, Heidi Shimp, Stephanie Lim, Keri Cocchiola
1/13 SS: Karen Peck and Megan Paek	Worship: Katherine Bogue, Sara Daniel, Paul Wildey,
1/20 SS: Heather and Steve Woolbert	Worship: Catherine and Martha Olson, Benny Finch, and Scott Wilhelm
1/27 SS: Molly and Tim Gribble	Worship: Ellen Keabian, Kristy Lamb, Sam Wills, Jim Thomas

