

The Lord's Day

September 3, 2017 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "In love, he predestined us for adoption through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved." Ephesians 1:5, 6(ESV)

Prelude *Take My Life and Let It Be Consecrated* arr. V. Labenske

* Call to Worship Psalm 113

Praise the LORD!

Praise, O servants of the LORD, praise the name of the LORD.

Let the name of the LORD be praised, both now and forevermore.

**From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets,
the name of the LORD is to be praised.**

The LORD is exalted over all the nations, his glory above the heavens.

**Who is like the LORD our God, the One who sits
enthroned on high, who stoops down to look on the
heavens and the earth?**

He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy
from the ash heap;

**he seats them with princes, with the princes of their
people.**

He settles the barren woman in her home as a happy
mother of children.

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* Invocation

* Hymn 80 *Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee* RIPLEY

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 502) Psalm 103

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 901) John 15:1-17

** Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn 463 *A Debtor to Mercy Alone* TREWEN

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

** Prayers of the People

Offertory Pastor Bowlin

* Hymn 731 *Doxology* OLD HUNDRETH

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *Love Is Strong As Death* Rev. Evans
Text: Song of Songs 8:6, 7 (Bible, p. 564)

* Hymn 535 *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!* EBENEZER

* Confession of Faith *The Nicene Creed* Hymnal pg. 846

The Lord's Supper

Deacons' Offering *Come Ye Sinners* arr. J. Koerts
Hymn 472

* Hymn (insert) *How Deep the Father's Love for Us* Townend

* Benediction

* Silent Meditation

Announcements and Dismissal

As you enter the Sanctuary, please be considerate of others who are quietly preparing for worship. Please silence your cell phones before the service begins.

The flowers in the Sanctuary today are given by The Kirk Family.

We warmly invite our visitors to join us in the Fellowship Hall after the service for fellowship.

Nursery care is available for infants through age 3 in Rooms 2 and 4. Children aged 3-5 may attend Toddler Time in Room 5 during the Sermon. They may be dismissed just after the Offertory.

Adult Sunday School, 9:30 AM:

"The Biblical Basis for Presbyterianism" which will be taught by Doug Fox will meet in the Fellowship Hall.

Young Adult Class meets in Pastor Bowlin's office.

Sermon Application class meets in Room 6.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

September 3, 2017

Worship Leader: Richard Jones
Greeters: Steven and Pat Ohlund
Ushers: Scott Bolliger, Steve Bassett, R Hurlburt
Audio: Darren Hauser
Nursery: 9:30: Linda Sprecher
10:30 (*Worship*): Anita Hilinski, Kevin Hilinski
Toddler Time: Chloe Sundet, Elaina Hauser
Coffee Clean-up: Mund
Backyard Fellowship: PCC

September 10, 2017

Worship Leader: Lucas Dourado
Greeters: Steven and Pat Ohlund
Ushers: Walter Mayo, David Conte, D Hershberger
Audio: Darren Hauser
Nursery: 9:30: Julie Rau
10:30 (*Worship*): Corey Christians, Terri Christians
Toddler Time: Bill Cherniske, Shelby Warren
Coffee Clean-up: *OPEN*
Evening Audio: No Evening Service
Evening Nursery:

This Week at Church

Monday		Labor Day – Office Closed
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Pastor's Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Midweek Recharge!
Sunday	12:00 PM	Crockpot Cook-off

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

PROMOTION SUNDAY

TODAY is Promotion Sunday, the beginning of the fall term of Sunday school. If your child is promoting to the next class according to school grade, today is the day! Class rosters are posted near the doors. If you have any questions about which class your child should attend, please see Sharon Fox.

BACKYARD FELLOWSHIP!

We will meet for a Backyard Fellowship today at 6:00 PM here at the church. Please plan to come for a time of food, fellowship, and prayer. Each family should bring chairs or blankets. **We will not be having the meal portion of the fellowship so please bring only a dessert to share.** All plates, utensils, and drinks will be provided. Please plan to join us!

COMING EVENTS

CROCK POT COOK-OFF!

Next week will be our annual Crock Pot Cook-Off! We will welcome back our college students with encouragement & love, after the worship service on **Sunday, September 10th**. There will be medals for the three favorite pots as well one for the first empty pot. (For those who miss the old chili cook-off, you are more than welcome to make chili as your cook-off entry!!) Sign up today!

YOUTH BACK TO SCHOOL BONFIRE

Please join us for our first annual PCC Youth Back-to-School Bonfire! Come have fun around the bonfire with s'mores, hot chocolate, and fellowship at the Bassett home, 275 Weigold Rd in Tolland, Friday Sept 29th from 7:30 PM-11:00 PM. Youth from 6th-12th grade are welcome to attend. We look forward to a great night of FUN!

CHURCH/FAMILY NEWS

CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA

Choir and orchestra will be starting up for this season on September 10th. The choir rehearsal begins at 9:50 AM in the loft and the orchestra has a quick rehearsal at 10:15 AM, right after Sunday School. New members are welcome in each group, but it is important that you contact Bill Glenister ahead of time. This is particularly important for the orchestra, to ensure that seating and music are available. Those interested in orchestra need to be sufficiently adept on their instrument to be comfortable with our minimal rehearsal time. You may speak to Bill in person, email (wrglenister@gmail.com), or text (860-856-0252).

PIONEER CLUBS

Pioneer Clubs is back for a full year of exciting faith-building fellowship! Starting Wednesday, September 13th from 6:30-8 00PM right here at the church, children from grades 1-6 will meet to learn Bible verses, play games and engage in skills activities, all while building friendships and grounding their faith in the Savior who died for them. Registration is \$10 per child (scholarships are available for those who need them). If you would like to volunteer to help or have questions, please see Mark Popovitch.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT TEEN GROUP

The PCC Teen Group will be meeting at the same time as the Pioneer Club meetings, Wednesday nights from 6:30 PM-8:00 PM, also starting on September 13th. All 7th-12th grade youth are welcome and invited for fun, fellowship, snacks, games, Bible time and prayer. For more information or if you have questions, see Carl Anderson (carlanderson1020@gmail.com or 860-642-3903).

LADIES HIKE

Ladies, the Women's Ministry would like to invite you on a hike, Saturday, October 7th, led by Debbie Goodale and Terri Christians. We will be hiking part of the Appalachian Trail and will summit Lions Head. This is not a very tall peak but it is said to "have the distinction of being the shortest hike with the greatest views in western Connecticut". It is a 6 mile round-trip, moderately challenging hike. We will carpool from church at 7:00 AM and be back around 4:00 PM. Bring water, pack a lunch and get ready to join the Sisters in Strength!

CAN YOU HELP?

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

This month, the PCC Food Pantry is in need of the following items: **canned tuna, canned chicken, peanut butter, cereal, canned soups, Ramen noodles, coffee, and canned green peas.** These are the items that are "most wanted".

Please also note that the PCC Food Pantry has an abundance of the following items (least needed or wanted) so please do not donate the following until further notice: canned corn, canned string beans, or canned beans.

Thank you for your willingness to provide some of these items for the family of Christ. May God continue to bless you and your family!