

# The Lord's Day

January 6, 2019 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "On God rests my salvation and my glory; my mighty rock, my refuge is God. Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your heart before him; God is a refuge for us." -Psalm 62:7-8(ESV)

Prelude *Joy to the World* arr. P. Keveren  
Ben Bassett & Marla Wiley, piano

\* Call to Worship Psalm 18 (responsively)

Leader: I love you, O LORD, my strength

All: The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer,  
my God, in whom I take refuge

I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised

I am saved from my enemies

The LORD lives, and blessed be my rock

And exalted be the God of my salvation

For this I will praise you, O LORD, among the nations

I will sing to your name for your great salvation

\* Hymn 358 *For All the Saints* SINE NOMINE

\* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 599) Isaiah 40:1-5

\*\* Silent Prayer of Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Hymn 463 *A Debtor to Mercy Alone* TREWEN

\*\* Prayers of the People

Offertory *In My House* arr. Joe Tomanelli  
Vocals, Bill Glenister, Cajon, Chaz Owens  
Guitar, Josiah Edwards, Debbie Goodale  
Peter Tomanelli, Bass, Joe Tomanelli, Piano

\* Hymn 731 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDDTH

\* Prayer of Dedication

\* Congregation Standing

\*\* Congregation Kneeling

Sermon *Dependence – Life Through Death* Rev. Will Snyder  
Text: 2 Corinthians 1:1-11(Bible, pg. 964)

\* Hymn 689 *Be Still, My Soul* FINLANDIA

\* Confession of Faith *Heidelberg Catechism – Q. & A. #1*

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

All: That I am not my own, but belong with body and  
soul in life and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ.

He has fully paid for all my sins with his precious  
blood and has set me free from all the power of the devil.

He also preserves my life. Indeed, all things work together  
for my salvation.

The Lord's Supper

Deacon's Offering *Glorify Thy Name* Carol Jones, piano

\* Hymn (insert) *Behold the Lamb* arr. Getty/Townend

\* Benediction

\* Silent Meditation

Announcements and Dismissal

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*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.*

**Communion Reminder:** The outer ring of cups on each tray contains grape juice; all other cups in each tray contain wine.

**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.

### Evening Service, 6:30 PM:

Please join us for our regular evening service at 6:30 PM. Pastor Bill Clark will be preaching from Matthew 15:1-20. The sermon title is "The Heart of Worship".



## This Week at Church

Monday	1:00 PM	Ladies' Bible Study at Ohlunds
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Pastor's Bible Study
	1:15 PM	Youth Music Class
	6:30 PM	Pioneer Club & Youth Group
	7:00 PM	Midweek Recharge!
Friday	6:30 PM	Ladies' Craft Night
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group
	7:00 PM	Cruise Night (Rhine Style)
Sunday	12:00 PM	All Church Shepherding Group

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMING EVENTS

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#### RESCHEDULED CRUISE NIGHT (RHINE STYLE)

Thanks to you, Patsy and I enjoyed a delightful cruise along the Rhine at the end of August. It was truly the trip of a lifetime. Since people have been asking about the trip, we will give a brief report and show a few pictures. If you are interested, please come to the church on **Saturday, January 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-9:00 PM**. Because we want to provide a few light refreshments, please let one of us know if you are coming. Patsy at Patsypureheart@hotmail.com or Brad at BradDEvans2018@outlook.com. We hope to see you there. Thanks again. Brad and Patsy

#### ALL CHURCH SHEPHERDING GROUP

On Sunday, **January 13<sup>th</sup>**, following the morning worship service, we will be having an All Church Shepherding Group in the Fellowship Hall to welcome our new Senior Pastor Will Snyder and his family to PCC. Please bring the usual casserole/side dish/salad, and/or dessert to share. We hope you can join us in as we celebrate the beginning of this new chapter in the life of PCC!

#### CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

The Session has called our annual Congregational Meeting for **Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 7:00 PM** (if inclement weather that

night, it will be January 25<sup>th</sup>). We will hear reports on various ministries of the church and hear a report on the 2019 budget. Please come and participate in this important part of our church life.

#### INSTALLATION OF PASTOR WILL SNYDER

The Installation Service for Pastor Snyder will be **Sunday evening, January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM** (note earlier start time). We will have representatives from the presbytery here and there will be a reception following the service. Please make every effort to attend this special event. There is a sign-up sheet on the back table in the Fellowship Hall for anyone who would like to help in providing food. In case of inclement weather, we will seek to have the service the following Lord's Day evening, January 27<sup>th</sup>.

### CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

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#### BIBLE STUDIES

The Wednesday afternoon Bible Study will be studying Mark 4:1-20. Midweek Recharge! will be meeting at 7:00 PM.

#### THANK YOU!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for the Christmas gift. I truly appreciate your generosity! I feel blessed and am very thankful for my job here and for this church family. I wish you all a happy and healthy 2019!

With love and gratitude,  
Danielle Bolliger

To Our PCC Church Family,

Cecelia and I want to thank you for your kind and generous gifts to us this Christmas. It is our joy and privilege to serve with you here and your expressions of appreciation to us only enhance this experience. We hope and pray that you also have been refreshed at this time when we have all reflected on the matchless generosity of God towards us all in the gift of His Son, our Savior, Jesus.

## *Notes for the Preaching of God's Word*

### *Dependence—life through death*

2 Corinthians 1:1-11

Main Preaching Point: God ordains suffering in your life so that in learning to depend upon Him and his comfort, you would be a living instrument of comfort to others

- God desires to minister to you through the presence of his comfort
- His comfort is manifested through his ordained suffering in your life
- Your affliction/suffering is to cause you to depend on Him and not yourself
- Through your dependence on Him he will use you to comfort/minister to others

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Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: 2 Corinthians 1:1-11

Title: Dependence—Life through Death

Questions:

1. What was most important or applicable in today's preaching? Can you summarize the main message?

**God desires to minister to you through the presence of his comfort (v.3-7)**

2. Read v.3-7. According to the sermon, what is the meaning of "comfort" in these verses? Why is this significant? Explain.
3. The first part of question and answer #1 to the Heidelberg Catechism reads: "Q: What is your only comfort in life and in death? A: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul in life

and in death to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ." Using the above words, define true comfort in your own words. Discuss.

4. How does our culture distort what is true comfort? Give examples.

**His comfort is manifested through his ordained suffering in your life (v.5, 8-9)**

5. Read v.5,8-9. Does God ordain/purpose suffering and various hardships in the lives of his people? Read Deut.32:39, Genesis 50:17-20, 2 Tim.3:12, 1 Pet.1:6-7. If God ordains (and certainly uses) suffering, what are some of the purposes for it? Explain.

6. What are some ways you've experienced or witnessed God's comfort in the midst of suffering?

**Your affliction/suffering is to cause you to depend on Him and not yourself (v.8-10)**

7. Read v.8-10. Discuss the significance of Paul's words, "utterly burdened...", "despairing of life...", "sentence of death." Consider and discuss the state of Paul's mind-set and outlook.

- According to v.9, what reason does Paul give as to why this suffering and affliction has come about?

8. Consider Paul's words: "But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead" (v.9). According to the message, how do these words capture the gospel of Jesus Christ? How are these words good news? Explain.

**Through your dependence on Him he will use you to comfort/minister to others (v.3-4, 6-7)**

9. Read v.3-4, 6-7. As a result of depending on God through suffering, consider ways in which you might be an instrument of comfort to others.