

The Lord's Day

March 3, 2019 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "For God is the King of all the earth; sing praises with a psalm! God reigns over the nations; God sits on his holy throne."

-Psalm 47:7-8(ESV)

- Prelude *The Lord's My Shepherd, I'll Not Want* Hymn 87
with Handel's Largo
- * Call to Worship Psalm 89:1-5
- * Hymn 195 *Joy to the World! The Lord is Come* ANTIOCH
- * Invocation
- Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 458) Psalm 24:1-10
- ** Silent Prayer of Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Hymn 213 *What Child Is This* GREENSLEEVES
- Mission Moment Maddie Edwards
- ** Pastoral Prayer
- Offertory *And Can It Be* arr. D. Forrest
PCC Choir, Hymn 455
- * Hymn 731 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDDTH
- * Prayer of Dedication
- Sermon *Journey to the King* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: Matthew 2:1-12(Bible, p. 807)
- * Hymn 226 *As with Gladness Men of Old* DIX
- The Lord's Supper
- Deacon's Offering *What Child Is This* Hymn 213
in the setting of Chopin's Nocturne in C sharp minor
- * Hymn (insert) *O Breath of God (The Risen Christ)*
arr. Getty/Madeira

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

* 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 this morning are given by **Bill and Cecelia Clark**.

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, 6:00 PM at WSCCC:

It is a great privilege when we can join in worship with our sister churches in the area. West Springfield Covenant Community Church, has invited us to a joint worship service **tonight at 6:00 PM**. WSCCC is located at 112 Amostown Road, West Springfield, MA. Please plan to attend!

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

March 3, 2019

Worship Leader: Pastor Bill Clark
Greeters: Ohlund
Deacon in Charge: Howard Craig
Ushers: David Conte, Greg Attardo
Audio: Timothy Owens
Nursery: 9:30: Vanessa Mayhew
10:30 (*Worship*): Danielle Bolliger, Julie Craig
Toddler Time: Cheryl Cabral, Megan Cabral
Coffee Clean-up: Alex Madda
Evening Audio: *Joint Service at WSCCC*
Evening Nursery:

March 10, 2019

Worship Leader: Elder John Sundet
Greeters: Ohlund
Deacon in Charge: Walter Mayo
Ushers: Corey Christians, Steven Bassett
Audio: Timothy Owens
Nursery: 9:30: Kevin Hilinski
10:30 (*Worship*): Lauri Volkert, Samantha Hershberger
Toddler Time: Anita Hilinski, Reagan Hilinski
Coffee Clean-up: S/A Bassett
Evening Audio: *Shepherding Groups-*
Evening Nursery: *No Evening Service*

This Week at Church

Monday	1:00 PM	Ladies' Prayer Meeting at Ohlunds
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Pastor's Bible Study
	1:30 PM	Children's Music Class
	6:30 PM	Pioneer Club & Youth Group
	7:00 PM	Midweek Recharge!
		Bible Study at Chenelles
Thursday	10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
Friday	6:30 PM	Ladies' Craft Night
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group
Sunday	12:00 PM	Shepherding Groups

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

MUSIC & MOVEMENT CLASS FOR YOUNG CHILDREN

We are excited to announce another eight weeks of children's music held at PCC! The new session (for children aged 4 months - 4 years) will begin **Wednesday, March 6th @ 1:30 PM**.

The class will run for 8 weeks (March 6th - April 24th), be held in the library at PCC, and be taught by Colleen Millett.

The class is based on the world renowned Musikgarten curriculum and includes songs, rhymes, movement, stories, instruments, and more. (Older siblings are very welcome to attend, but will be expected to be helpers and role models!)

For new students, there is a **\$15.00 fee per child** to purchase a set of instruments.

For returning students, there will be **no charge**.

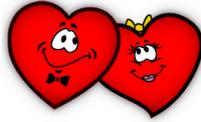
Feel free to invite friends who do not attend PCC! Email Colleen at ckmillett@gmail.com by **March 3rd** to sign up!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Daylight savings time begins on **March 10th at 2:00 AM**. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!

NEWLYWED GAME NIGHT!

The Hospitality Ministry Team is hosting a Newlywed Game on Friday, March 15th at 7:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. We'll enjoy seeing some of our newly-married and longer-married couples compete in a special edition of "The Newlywed Game." Please join us for this fun family-friendly event.



CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

BIBLE STUDIES

The Wednesday afternoon Bible Study will be studying Mark 6:1-13.

The Jones/Chenelle Bible study which is studying the Sermon on the Mount using D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones' book "Studies in the Sermon on the Mount" will be meeting at the Chenelle's home on Wednesday at 7:00 PM.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Growth in the knowledge and application of God's Word is a life-long pursuit—a joyous and important pursuit that we seek to encourage at PCC. One of the ways we encourage this is through Christian education on Sunday mornings. Below are the adult classes that are currently being offered.

"How Shall We Then Live"

This class, currently meeting in the Sanctuary, focuses on a study and application of the 10 Commandments using the Scriptures and Westminster Shorter Catechism. It is led by elders in the church.

Women's Sunday School Class

Christian author Rosario Butterfield has written a book entitled *The Gospel Comes with a House Key*, focusing on the biblical subject of *hospitality*—a topic relevant for all believers. This book will serve as the focus of the class, led and facilitated by Patricia Ohlund. They are meeting in the Fellowship Hall and women of all ages are welcome.

Sermon Application Class

The Sermon Application Class is using the previous week's sermon and questions (provided in the bulletin insert each week) for discussion and mutual encouragement. This class is meeting in the Conference Room.

Discovery Class—To Begin April 7

Beginning April 7, we are offering a class called "The Discovery Class", intended for regular visitors and inquirers (members may attend as well), for the purpose of providing an introduction to the gospel message, the core and distinctive beliefs of the Presbyterian Church of Coventry, the church ministries, and to learn of opportunities for life and fellowship within the congregation. The class will run for 8 weeks and is led by Pastor Will and elders of the church. At the conclusion of the class is an opportunity for individuals (if interested) to understand and pursue church membership. The Discovery Class is a great way to not only understand the essential and distinctive beliefs and ministries of the church, but to grow in fellowship with church leaders and those attending. If you are interested in participating, please provide your name and contact information on the sign-up sheet in the back of the Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Pastor Will or Elder Brian Wilson through the church office: 860-742-7222.

PIONEER CLUB NEEDS YOUR SKILLS!

Do you have a fun job, unique hobby, special talent or traveled to a faraway country? We would love to hear from you. Come to Pioneer Club on a Wednesday night and share your gifts with an amazing group of kids. If you can help, please contact Anita Hilinski at doggroom21@cs.com.

Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

Journey to the King

Matthew 2:1-12

Main Preaching Point: Since Jesus is the true King (over all kings and all creation) make your life-journey a pursuit after the joy of worshipping in His presence.

- Journey to the King—going the distance
 - The nature of Jesus' Kingship (v.1-2)
 - The role of General Revelation (v.2,9)
 - The role of Special Revelation (v.5-6)
- Opposition to the King—the threat of Christ's presence (v.3-4,13,16)
- The Goal of the Journey
 - Rejoicing exceedingly with great joy (v.10)
 - Worship—bowing down (v.2,11)

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Matthew 2:1-12

Title: Journey to the King

Questions:

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

Journey to the King—going the distance

2. Read v.1-2. According to the sermon, what is the meaning of "wise men" (i.e. magi)? The fact that they travel hundreds of miles (upwards to 600-800) in order to see and worship an infant king, what is the nature of this king and his kingdom (since he can't issue any decrees or rule over anything)? Explain.

- How might the journey of the wise men to see the Christ in person serve as an illustration (or metaphor) for the Christian's journey through this life? Explain.

3. Read v.2 & 9. What leads the wise men to Jerusalem? According to the message, what role does the star play in God's revelation? What kind of revelation is this?

- Read Romans 1:18-20. What does God's creation (general revelation) reveal? What does it not reveal? Explain.

4. Read v.5-6. While the star (a part of God's creation) led the wise men to Jerusalem, according to the message what was revealed in Jerusalem that ultimately led the wise men to Christ? Read Romans 10:11-17. What is needed to reveal the person/gospel of Christ?¹ Explain.

- For further discussion on the role of God's Word, Read Psalm 1, Hebrews 12:11-13, and 2 Timothy 3:16.

Opposition to the King—the threat of Christ's presence (v.3-4,13,16)

5. Read Matthew 2:3-4, 13, & 16. What is significant about the fact that the Christ comes into a hostile world—a world that desires to destroy him? What do these verses reveal about the potential of human nature?

The Goal of the Journey

6. Read v.9-10. According to the message, what is unique and important about the words "they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy"?

- Read 1 Thess.5:16-18, Rom.12:12, Hab. 3:17-18, Phil.4:4, 1 Pet.1:8-9. What is joy? Is it a mere feeling—a chemical reaction in the brain? Is there such a thing as false joy? Can a non-Christian experience joy just as a believer? Explain.

7. Read v.2 & 11. According to the sermon, what does the word "worship" mean? How does v.11 describe this?

- Is it only believers who worship? Explain. How is a Christian's joy and the glory of God related? Are they two different ends? The same? Discuss.
- What are practical steps you can take to cultivate more a life of joy and worship?

¹ *Special Revelation*, which is defined as the Word of God, is necessary for that kind of knowledge that leads to saving faith in Christ