# The Lord's Day

June 2, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "The LORD is the strength of his people; he is the saving refuge of his anointed. Oh, save your people and bless your heritage! Be their shepherd and carry them forever." -Psalm 28:8-9 (ESV)

Prelude

Carol Jones, piano

Announcements

\* Call to Worship (Bible, p. 471)

Psalm 46:1-7
(responsive reading)

\* Hymn 92 <u>A Mighty Fortress Is Our God</u> EIN FESTE BURG

\* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 614) <u>Isaiah 53:4-6</u>

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 992) <u>1 Timothy 3:1-7</u>

(continuous reading)

\*\* Silent Prayer of Confession

\* Assurance of Pardon

\* Hymn (insert) The Goodness of Jesus CITYALIGHT

\*\* Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

\* Hymn 731 <u>Doxology</u> OLD HUNDREDTH

\* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon The Pierced One Pastor Will Snyder

Text: <u>Zechariah 12:1-13:1</u>,

\* Hymn 247 <u>O Sacred Head, Now Wounded</u> PASSSION CHORALE

The Lord's Supper

Deacon's Offering

\* Hymn 80 <u>Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee</u> RIPLEY

\* Benediction

Postlude

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.

Nursery care is available for infants through age 3 in Rooms 2 and 4.

Communion Reminder: The outside rows on each cup tray contain grape juice; all other cups in each tray contain wine. The bread/cracker served is gluten-free.

#### Sunday Evening Praise, 6:00 PM:

Our Sunday evening gathering of praise starts at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall. Come sing, pray, and hear from God's Word to close out your Lord's Day rest.

<sup>\*</sup> Congregation Standing

<sup>\*\*</sup> Congregation Kneeling

## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

#### June 2, 2024

Worship Leader: Richard Jones

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge: Scott Bolliger Ushers: Peter Benedict

Nursery: Rachel Embree, Calvin Edwards

10:30 (Worship:

Coffee Clean-up: Chenelle Shepherding Group

Evening:

# June 9, 2024

Worship Leader: Doug Fox

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge: David Embree Ushers: Howard Craig

Nursery: Julie Anne Edwards, Abigail Bassett

10:30 (Worship)

Coffee Clean-up: Chenelle Shepherding Group

Evening: Shepherding Groups~

No Evening Gathering of Praise

# THE GOODNESS OF JESUS

Cityalight















# This Week at Church

Tuesday	6:00 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Bible Study
Friday		Private Event
Saturday		Private Event
Sunday	9:30 AM	Bible Overview Class
,	12:00 PM	Shepherding Groups

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## **COMING EVENTS**

#### PCC SUMMER BASKETBALL IS BACK!

We are excited to announce that after a multi-year hiatus, PCC Summer Basketball is back! We will be playing at Coventry High School on Wednesday evenings from 6:15 to 8:15 p.m. from June 12<sup>th</sup> to August 14<sup>th</sup>. Please let Brian Wilson know if you plan on attending by sending an e-mail to brianjjwilson@hotmail.com or text to 856-905-7778.

#### SEARCH COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Associate Pastor Search Committee will be bringing up a candidate and his family to visit PCC June 15<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. We will introduce him during the adult Sunday school hour on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup> so please make every effort to attend this important meeting. More details regarding the actual visit will be provided as they become available.

#### **CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

A Wednesday afternoon Bible study takes place at 1:00 PM at the church. We are studying 1-2 Corinthians.

If you are interested in joining, please contact Pastor Will at the church office (860) 742-7222.

#### **CHURCH KEY INVENTORY**

The Deacons are conducting an inventory of all church keys. If you are in possession of one (or more), please contact Deacon Benedict.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL SUBS NEEDED

Children's Sunday School is in need of substitutes for the 10-week Summer Session when we give our regular teachers a break. Needed are teachers for the 4's and 5's, the 5th and 6th grades, and the Jr. High. Please contact Sharon Fox at (860)-871-5491 for more information.

#### MIDWEEK RECHARGE

The next Midweek Recharge will be on Wednesday, June 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Please come and enjoy food and fellowship. Please contact Collin Robinson (334.464.0142), Abe or Colleen Millett or Pastor Will (860.742.7222) for any questions or if you have a desire to serve meals to others.

#### **VBS DECORATIONS NEEDED!**

This year's VBS theme is The Great Jungle Journey. I am in need of artificial plants, greenery, and garland to decorate the fellowship hall and hallway. Please reach out to Anita Hilinski at doggroom21@cs.com or 860-716-4370 if you can help.

#### REQUEST FROM THE DEACONS

The deacons are asking if someone would be willing to weed the beds at the church. If you are interested and able to help, please contact one of the deacons. Thank you in advance!

## FLOWER CALENDAR

Flowers in worship serve in reminding us of God's glory reflected in creation, His loving care for us and our own mortality. If you would like to bless our worship/honor a loved one by providing flowers, please use the flower calendar found on the Women's Ministry board in the Fellowship Hall. Flowers can be from your garden or purchased.



# Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

# The Pierced One Zechariah 12:1-13:1

Main Preaching Point: Be strengthened through Him who defends, suffers, and cleanses his people from sin—for He who founded the earth will bring new creation and life.

- > Strength Through the LORD'S Defense—new creation
- > Strength Through God's Mercy—the Pierced One
- > Strength Through Cleansing—remedy for sin

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Zechariah 12:1-13:1 Title: The Pierced One

Questions:

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

# Strength Through the LORD'S Defense—new creation

- 2. Read Zechariah 12:1-9. What images are used to convey God's defense of his people and the triumph they will have over their enemies? What does the cup convey (v.2)? The stone (v.3)? In thinking through God's defense of his people, read Psalm 46:1. How would you explain to someone that God defends his people—that God is a refuge for his people? Discuss.
- 3. According to the sermon (and text) there is a movement in the last section of Zechariah (ch.12-14) from war to worship. Read Zechariah 12:3

and 14:16. Discuss the movement. What lessons or implications might you draw out of this for the life of faith at any age? Discuss.

4. Is God's defense/victory for his people one of protecting their faith, or is it more? Read Romans 8:23. How might this text shape our view of God's plan, protection, and defense of his people?

# Strength Through God's Mercy—the Pierced One

- 5. Read Zechariah 12:10. What does God's mercy and grace result in? Why would it result in mourning and why is mourning important? How might it be a source of strength?
  - ➤ Read John 19:37. What is the context in which the Zechariah passage finds fulfillment in John's gospel?
  - ➤ Read Isaiah 53:4-6. Compare and discuss.
- 6. In considering Zechariah 12:10, the LORD says, "when they look on me...on him whom they have pierced..." Since God is referring to himself as the one pierced, what does this reveal about the relationship between the Father and Son, given that it is Christ who was crucified? Discuss.

# Strength Through Cleansing—remedy for sin

- 7. Read Zechariah 13:1. How should the reality of the believer's cleansing be a source of strength in the Christian faith/life?
- 8. How does this overall passage instruct the church in God's way of salvation and reveal the gospel of Jesus Christ?