

The Lord's Day

July 14, 2024 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!"

-Psalm 95:1-2 (ESV)

Prelude Carol Jones, piano

Announcements

* Call to Worship (Bible, p. 155) [Deuteronomy 10:12](#)

* Hymn 700 [Come, We That Love the Lord](#) ST. THOMAS

* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 491) [Psalm 81:1-16](#)
(responsive reading)

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 992) [1 Timothy 5:1-16](#)
(continuous reading)

Hymn (insert) *Rise My Soul, the Lord is Risen*

** Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn 649 [More Love to Thee, O Christ](#) MORE LOVE TO THEE

** Pastoral Prayer

Offertory

* Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDREDTW

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *Oh Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down*
Text: [Psalm 95:1-11](#) (Bible, p. 499)
Pastor Will Snyder

* Hymn 80 [Lord, with Glowing Heart I'd Praise Thee](#) RIPLEY

* Benediction

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

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.

Backyard Fellowship, 5:30 PM:

We will meet for a Backyard Fellowship today at 5:30 PM at PCC. Please plan to come for a time of food, fellowship, and prayer. Each individual or family should bring chairs or blankets, meat to grill for their own family, and a side dish and/or dessert to share. All plates, utensils, and drinks will be provided. (The rain location is at the church). Please plan to make these gatherings part of your summer routine! It is a great way to get to know each other better in an informal setting. Dates still available to host are: 7/21, 8/11, and 8/25.

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

July 14, 2024

Worship Leader: Scott Warren
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Scott Bolliger
Ushers: Jeff Edwards
Nursery: Julia Robinson, Julia Bonadies
10:30 (Worship)
Coffee Clean-up: Fox Shepherding Group

Evening: *Backyard Fellowship at PCC
at 5:30 PM*

July 21, 2024

Worship Leader: Richard Jones
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: David Embree
Ushers: Scott Bolliger
Nursery: Amy Bassett, Rachel Embree
10:30 (Worship)
Coffee Clean-up: Fox Shepherding Group

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at 5:30 PM*

This Week at Church

Wednesday	6:15 PM	PCC Summer Basketball
Thursday	7:00 PM	Deacons' Meeting
Friday		PCC Newsletter Deadline
Sunday	5:30 PM	Backyard Fellowship at PCC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

SUMMER PLAYGROUND MEETUPS!

It's summer break! Let the days full of beaches, gardens, and playgrounds begin! This summer I would like to propose a weekly rotating playground meetup for PCC families. Anyone who can make it is welcome to show up at any point for one week, two weeks, or all 8 weeks!

Details:

9:30-11:30 AM on Wednesdays (bring a bag lunch if you want!)

July 17th: Connor's Place, Somer's Park, 96 Field Rd, Somers

July 24th: Adam's Adventure, Cross Farms Recreation Complex, 167 Rhodes Rd, Tolland

July 31st: Enfield Public Library, 104 Middle Rd, Enfield

August 7th: Charter Oak Park, 50 Charter Oak St, Manchester

August 14th: Columbia Recreation Area, 58 Hennequin Rd, Columbia

August 21st: Mansfield Community Playground, 4 South Eagleville Rd, Mansfield

No RSVP required. Bring the kids and have fun! Feel free to reach out to Rachel Embree with questions at rachelgembree@gmail.com, or 860.336.6517

SEWING SATURDAYS AT PCC!

We are excited to announce a new fellowship opportunity at PCC: "Sewing Saturdays!"

Bring your questions! Bring your patterns! Bring your friends! Bring your unfinished sewing projects! Bring your expertise! Bring your sewing machines (if you have one)!

All sewing abilities are invited and encouraged to join us! We hope beginners and veterans alike will attend.

Mark your calendars! Sat AUG 3rd: 9:00 AM-12

Childcare will be provided!

Please reach out to Julie Anne Edwards with any questions! 860-498-2280 or jedwards12@snet.net

VBS 2024 – THE GREAT JUNGLE JOURNEY!

It's a Jungle Out There!

Prepare to swing into a week of fun, friends, games, lessons, and crafts. Kids will take a jungle cruise through the rainforest, making stops at seven ports of call along the way—each starting with a C.

These represent seven key biblical events: Creation, Corruption, Catastrophe, Confusion, Christ, Cross, and



Consummation. Families that register early will receive a VBS music CD to start preparing for our Jungle Jam!

VBS will be held **July 29th-August 2nd from 9 AM to noon**. Scan the QR code to register. See you in the rainforest!

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

NEW BABY!

Congratulations to Nathan and Victoria van Eyk who welcomed their son, Andries Johannes, into their family early in the morning on July 7th. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

BOOKS AVAILABLE FOR FREE

There is a table at the end of the hallway near the nursery, and another one in the library, that contain books that are free to take. These tables are clearly marked. Please do not take any books that are on the library shelves.

CHURCH KEY INVENTORY

The Deacons are conducting an inventory of all church keys. They need to know the number next to the letter A and also the key number. If you are in possession of one (or more), please contact Deacon Benedict ASAP (860) 803-2159 or peterjohn27@comcast.net

BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

The Caring Families' Baby Bottle campaign has begun! Fill a baby bottle with coins (bills, even checks!) and you can help them provide ultrasounds, diapers, wipes, educational and spiritual support to women facing pregnancy decisions. The bottles are on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. You can return the bottles to church any time before **September 1st**. If you would prefer an online option, please visit www.carefamilies.com. Contact Danielle Bolliger if you have any questions. PCC has been very supportive in the past, and for that they thank you sincerely!

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.



RISE, MY SOUL, THE LORD IS RISEN



Rise my soul - the Lord is ri-sen Come be-hold the - emp - ty grave
Rest my soul - the Lord is ri-sen Love's re-deem-ing - work is done
Peace my soul - the Lord is ri-sen Come and have your - hope re-newed
Rise my soul - for I am ri-sen Seat-ed now with - Christ my Lord



See the place - where dark-ness laid Him Sing for on - ly hope re-mains
Now the Fa - ther sees His child-ren As He sees His sin-less Son
For this trial - is brief and fleet-ing Tears will turn to glo - ry soon
As my life - be - longs to Hea-ven Fear shall hold its sway no more



Ha - le - lu - jah, praise for-ev - er Death de-feat-ed and life re-stored
Oh the won-der oh the glo - ry That same fa - vor is now my own
Shout with joy - and sound the tri-umph Let the mu-sic of Hea-ven roar
On-ward up - ward to the trea-sure Filled with cou-rage and end-less hope



By that great - im - mor-tal pow-er Christ is ri-sen, a - rise my soul!
Shame be - hind - me grace be-fore me Christ is ri-sen a - rise my soul!
Let the boast - of death be si-lent Christ is ri-sen a - rise my soul!
For this truth - is mine for-ev - er Christ is ri-sen a - rise my soul!

Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

Oh Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down

Psalm 95:1-11

Main Preaching Point: As those who know the LORD as Creator and Redeemer, cultivate delight in the greatness and glory of God that you might know the joy he intends.

- The Reasons for Worship
 - God's Greatness
 - God's Redemption
- The Caution in Worship
 - Heeding the voice of the Lord
- The Goal of Worship
 - True rest in Christ

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Psalm 95:1-11

Title: Oh Come, Let Us Worship and Bow Down

Questions:

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

The Reasons for Worship

2. Read Psalm 95:1-5. What works of God does the Psalmist highlight? What do these works reveal about the person of the LORD? Why is it important?

- In these first verses what is the reason the Psalmist gives for worshipping the LORD? What does it mean that God is 'great' (verse 3)? Read Romans 11:33-36. Reflect.

3. What is the tone in which the Psalmist invites people to make a joyful noise and worship the LORD? Is it with a sense of demand? Explain. Think of

Jesus' invitation in Matthew 11:25-30. How is Jesus' invitation unassuming, gentle? Discuss.

4. How is the Psalm calling people to be captivated by the LORD? Discuss John Ortberg's words: "For many of us the great danger is not that we will renounce our faith. It is that we will become so distracted and rushed and preoccupied that we will settle for a mediocre version of it. We will just skim our lives instead of actually living them."

5. Read Psalm 95:6-7. What should we make of the posture's mentioned—bowing down and kneeling? Are these significant? Explain.

6. What is the reason the Psalmist gives for worshipping the LORD in v.7? How should this shape the way we live and relate to the LORD? Discuss.

The Caution in Worship

7. Read v.7-11. According to the sermon how do these words draw the reader back to Exodus 17 and Numbers 14? What happened in those chapters?

- Hebrews 3-4 provides what is likely the most thoroughly cited Old Testament text (Psalm 95) in the New Testament. You may read and examine that passage for yourself, but to summarize: the author of Hebrews, in exhorting professing believers to enter God's eternal rest, he draws upon Psalm 95, "Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion." He wants them to strive (Heb.4:11) after Christ and find their ultimate rest, justification, and continued growth in Him. Discuss ways that believers can help ensure that indeed they are resting in Christ?

8. How does Psalm 95 point us to the person and work of Christ, where we find our deep and eternal rest in the Lord? What things might be pulling you away from that rest? Reflect and meditate on Jesus' words in Matthew 11:25-30.