

The Lord's Day

March 1, 2020 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times."
-Matthew 18:21-22 (ESV)

- Prelude *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* arr. L. Shackley
Hymn 598
- * Call to Worship Psalm 96 (responsive reading)
Hymnal, p. 819
- * Hymn (insert) *Come, People of the Risen King*
arr. Getty/Townend
- * Invocation
- New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 1023) 1 John 4:7-21
- ** Silent Prayer of Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Hymn 307 *Nothing But the Blood* PLAINFIELD
- Offertory *Every Promise* arr. Getty/Shackley
PCC Choir
- * Hymn 731 *Doxology* OLD HUNDRETH
- * Prayer of Dedication
- Sermon *Forgiveness from the Heart* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: Matthew 18:15-35 (Bible, p. 823)
- * Hymn 501 *Just As I Am, without One Plea* WOODWORTH
- The Lord's Supper
- Deacon's Offering *Come, Ye Sinners, Poor and Wretched*
arr. L. Shackley
Hymn 472
- * Hymn 535 *O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus!* EBENEZER

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- * Congregation Standing
** Congregation Kneeling

- * 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. The bread/cracker that is served is gluten-free.

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. Elder Sterling Harmon will be preaching from 2 Chronicles 14-16. The sermon title is "The Gospel of Asa".

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

March 1, 2020

Worship Leader: Elder Richard Jones
Greeters: Jones Shepherding Group
Deacon in Charge: Randy Hershberger
Ushers: David Conte, Greg Attardo
Audio: Mark Popovitch
Nursery: 9:30: Kevin Hilinski
10:30 (*Worship*): Anita Hilinski, Natalie Snyder
Toddler Time: Richard Ashley, Elisabeth Craig
Coffee Clean-up: Crilly
Evening Audio:

March 8, 2020

Worship Leader: Pastor Will Snyder
Greeters: Jones Shepherding Group
Deacon in Charge: Peter Benedict
Ushers: Corey Christians, Steven Bassett
Audio: Mark Popovitch
Nursery: 9:30: Anita Hilinski
10:30 (*Worship*): Ryan Mayhew, Vanessa Mayhew
Toddler Time: Cheryl Cabral, Megan Cabral
Coffee Clean-up: Wiley
Evening Audio: *Joint Service at WSCCC*

This Week at Church

Monday	1:00 PM	Ladies' Prayer Meeting at Ohlunds
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Bible Study
	1:30 PM	Children's Music Class
	6:30 PM	Pioneer Club
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
Thursday	6:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
Friday	7:00 PM	PCC Book Club
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group
Sunday	9:00 AM	Prayer for the Nations
	6:00 PM	Joint Service at WSCCC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

DEACON/USHER TRAINING

We will be having our yearly Deacon / Usher safety training to communicate and execute our means of crowd control during emergencies. Laurie Volkert will present the training in the Sanctuary during the normal Sunday School hour. It will be held on two separate days, **TODAY and Sunday March 8th**. Please plan to attend one of the sessions. Please see Deacon Bolliger with any questions.

PCC BOOK CLUB

The next PCC Book Club meeting will be this **Friday, March 6, 7:00 PM, at the church**. We will be discussing the classic exploration of Christian community, "Life Together" by Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Any questions, please see Mark Popovitch.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS

Daylight savings time begins on **March 8th at 2:00 AM**. Don't forget to turn your clocks forward one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!

JOINT WORSHIP SERVICE

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 on **Sunday, March 8th at 6:00 PM**. WSCCC is located at 112 Amostown Road, West Springfield, MA. Nursery will be provided. Please plan to attend!

PCC EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TRAINING

On **March 15th**, the Emergency Management Team of PCC will conduct our annual safety training for the adults of the Congregation **during the Sunday School hour**. Nursery and children's Sunday School classes should plan to meet as they normally do in their respective classrooms. Any questions? Please see Lauri Volkert or Howard Craig.

DISCOVERY CLASS

Beginning **Sunday, March 22nd**, we are offering a class called "The Discovery Class", intended for regular visitors and inquirers for the purpose of providing an introduction to the gospel message, the core and distinctive beliefs of the Presbyterian Church of Coventry 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. 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 through the church office: (860)742-7222.

WOMEN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

A Ladies only Sunday school class will begin on **March 22nd**. We will be studying the book of Ephesians inductively. This class will present study skills for understanding the Bible better while learning what questions to ask and how to find the answers. The hope is that these tools will allow you to dig deeper as you study the Scriptures alone. Laurie Warren will be the primary facilitator.

HE IS RISEN! HE IS RISEN INDEED!

FIRST ANNUAL PCC RESURRECTION SUNDAY BREAKFAST!

The PCC Men's Ministry will be cooking a scrumptious breakfast for Resurrection Sunday morning, **April 12th, from 9:00 - 10:00 AM** before Worship service for our members, friends and family. There will be no Sunday school but there will be a short devotional and time for fellowship. So we can estimate how many that we can expect that morning (adults and children), please sign up by Sunday, April 5th. The Men's Ministry will be providing the main course (eggs, french toast casserole, ham, home fries, corned beef hash and bacon etc.). Coffee, tea, and water will also be provided. If you are willing and able to provide additional items, please list what you plan to bring on the sign-up sheet on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend! Any questions, please contact Robert Hurlburt at (860) 930-6584. Hallelujah! We serve and love a Risen Savior!



CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday afternoon Bible study will be studying Mark 14:17-42.

LOVE PACKAGES

There is a ministry located in Butler, IL called Love Packages, check it out @ www.lovepackages.org which accepts Bibles, Christian literature (devotionals, studies, Sunday school lessons, CDs and magazines etc. - no VHS, cassettes however) and sends boxes of materials to Christians around the world who do not have the abundance that we enjoy here in the USA. Please do not throw those tracts, devotionals etc. into the trash or recycle bin! Please join me in donating your used literature and CDs to this wonderful organization. There is a box labeled in Fellowship Hall. Any questions, contact Carey Hurlburt.

Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

Forgiveness from the Heart

Matthew 18:15-35

Main Preaching Point: Foster relationships with your brother's and sister's in Christ according to the kind of love God demonstrated in Christ toward you

- Restoring the Brother: Jesus's Gracious Steps (v.15-20)
- The Parable: Debt Forgiven (v.21-35)
 - Forgiveness Involves Cancelling a Debt
 - Forgiveness is Costly but Unforgiveness Is More Costly
 - Forgiveness Is Vertical and Horizontal
 - Forgiveness is On-Going
 - Forgiveness Is Rooted in the Love of God

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Matthew 18:15-35

Title: Forgiveness from the Heart

Questions:

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

Restoring the Brother: Jesus's Gracious Steps (v.15-20)

2. Read v.15-20. How do these verses (about a brother going astray) relate to the preceding verses in 10-14? Explain.

3. What are some of the key words in v.15 (e.g. "brother", "sins", "against you", "go", "gained your brother", etc.)? Is Jesus suggesting that believers confront *all* and *every* sin that fellow brothers commit? Explain.

- Discuss the process that Jesus provides (in v.15-18) and what this reveals about life in the church of Christ?

The Parable: Debt Forgiven (v.21-35)

4. Read v.21-35. Why does Peter ask the question stated in v.21? Discuss. What is the meaning of Jesus's reply in v.22?

- What is forgiveness? Define it. Read Luke 17:3 and Mark 11:25. Is forgiveness dependent upon repentance? Explain.

5. How should Jesus's parable shape the way a believer's approach a brother who is going astray and/or who has sinned against them? Explain.

6. Discuss/consider the following texts: 1 John 4:7-21; Colossians 2:13-14; Galatians 6:1.

7. According to the sermon and text the following are aspects of forgiveness in the Bible. Discuss their meaning and application.

- Forgiveness Involves Cancelling a Debt (Col.2:14; Matt.18:27)
- Forgiveness is Costly but Unforgiveness Is More Costly (Matt.18:33-35)
- Forgiveness Is Vertical and Horizontal (Luke 17:3; Mk.11:25; Eph.4:31-32)
- Forgiveness is On-Going (Matt.18:21-22; Eph.4:31-32)
- Forgiveness Is Rooted in the Love of God (Jn.13:34-35; Eph.4:31-32)