

# The Lord's Day

March 22, 2020 - 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."  
-Proverbs 3:5-6 (ESV)

- Prelude *Come, Thou Almighty King* arr. H. Helvey Hymn 101
- \* Call to Worship (Bible, p. 498) Psalm 93:1-5
- \* Hymn 92 *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* EIN FESTE BURG
- \* Invocation
- Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 197) Joshua 23:1-16
- New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 1014) 1 Peter 1:3-9
- Hymn (insert) *He Will Hold Me Fast* arr. Habershon/Merker
- \*\* Silent Prayer of Confession
- \* Assurance of Pardon
- \* Hymn 460 *Amazing Grace!* AMAZING GRACE
- \*\* Prayers of the People
- Offertory *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* A. Pearce  
arr. C. Berry Hymn 708
- \* Hymn 731 *Doxology* OLD HUNDREDETH
- \* Prayer of Dedication
- Sermon *Firm Faith Amidst Fears* Pastor Will Snyder  
Text: Proverbs 3:5-6 (Bible, p. 528)
- \* Hymn 12 *Exalt the Lord, His Praise Proclaim* CREATION
- \* Benediction
- \* Silent Meditation
- Announcements and Dismissal

# He Will Hold Me Fast

1. When I fear my faith will fail, Christ will hold me  
 2. Those He saves are His de-light, Christ will hold me  
 3. For my life He bled and died, Christ will hold me

3  
 fast; when the tempt-er would pre-vail,  
 fast; pre-cious in his ho-ly sight,  
 fast; just-ice has been sat-is-fied;

6  
 He will hold me fast. I could nev-er keep my  
 He will hold me fast. He'll not let my soul be  
 He will hold me fast. Raised with Him to end-less

9  
 hold through life's fear-ful path; for my love is  
 lost; His prom-is-es shall last; bought by Him at  
 life, He will hold me fast 'till our faith is

13  
 oft-en cold; He must hold me fast.  
 such a cost, He will hold me fast.  
 turned to sight, when He comes at last.

17 **Refrain**  
 He will hold me fast, He will hold me fast;

21 *Repeat refrain after last verse*  
 for my Sa-rior loves me so, He will hold me fast.

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\* Congregation Standing  
 \*\* Congregation Kneeling

## SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

March 22, 2020

Worship Leader: Elder Doug Fox

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge:

Ushers:

Audio: Chaz Owens

Nursery: 9:30:

10:30 (Worship):

Toddler Time:

Coffee Clean-up:

Evening Audio:

March 29, 2020

Worship Leader: Elder Armand Chenelle

Greeters:

Deacon in Charge:

Ushers:

Audio: Chaz Owens

Nursery: 9:30:

10:30 (Worship):

Toddler Time:

Coffee Clean-up:

Evening Audio:

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### COMING EVENTS

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#### YOUTH GROUP SNAC MEETING

Due to the precautions that PCM has put forth regarding the coronavirus, Youth Group will not be meeting until at least the end of March.

We will update members if the following events are going to be postponed or cancelled due to the coronavirus precautions.

#### DISCOVERY CLASS

The Discovery Class will be postponed with a start date to be determined. “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

The Women’s Sunday School class will be postponed with a start date to be determined. A Ladies only Sunday school class 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 12<sup>th</sup>, 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 5<sup>th</sup>. 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. Any questions, please contact Robert Hurlburt at (860) 930-6584. Hallelujah! We serve and love a Risen Savior!

## LOVE PACKAGES

There is a ministry located in Butler, IL called Love Packages, check it out @ [www.lovepackages.org](http://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.

## CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

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### TAKE THEM A MEAL

*Needs for upcoming weeks: Rau and Bradley*

One joy that we have as a church family is to encourage one another and share out of the abundance that God has given us. Please go to

[takethemameal.com](http://takethemameal.com) and sign up using the family's last

name and the password, 2540, or notify *Alice Crilly*

(860-434-4312) if you would like to help. All of the details and dietary needs are specified on the site listing. *Remember* that meals do not have to be elaborate! Just prepare a little extra of what you are making for your family, team up with a friend, or pick up a rotisserie chicken, pizza, etc. and add a salad to go with.



### EASTER FLOWERS

We are looking for someone to take over ordering, labeling with names, and delivering the Easter flowers to the church sanctuary for Easter morning. If you are interested, please contact Danielle Bolliger as soon as possible.

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

### *Firm Faith Amidst Fears*

Proverbs 3:5-6

**Main Preaching Point:** Amidst the potential fears that fill this world put your trust in the LORD who reigns supreme, and He will make straight your paths

- TRUST IN THE LORD (v.5)
- LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING (v.5)
- ACKNOWLEDGE HIM (v.6)
- STRAIGHT PATHS (v.6)

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Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: Proverbs 3:5-6

Title: Firm Faith Amidst Fears

**Questions:**

1. What was most important or applicable in today's preaching? Can you summarize the main message?
2. The Heidelberg Catechism says this about God's providence: "God's providence is his almighty and ever present power, whereby, as with his hand, he still upholds heaven and earth and all creatures, and so govern them that leaf and blade, rain and drought, fruitful and barren years, food and drink, health and sickness, riches and poverty, indeed, all things, come to us not by change but by his fatherly hand." How does this relate to the sermon? Discuss.

#### TRUST IN THE LORD (v.5)

3. Read verse 5. What does it mean to "Trust in the LORD with all your heart"? How does biblical trust go beyond mere mental ascent? What are some of the things that man (including believers) will seek

to build their life security and confidence upon? Why is this unwise? Explain.

- In the midst of Covid-19 as well as other trials and difficulties in life describe a person who is making the LORD his trust. What sets him apart? Describe his actions and thoughts. What is his countenance? Explain.

#### LEAN NOT ON YOUR OWN UNDERSTANDING (v.5)

4. Read verse 5 again. According to the sermon, what does it mean to "lean"? Why is leaning NOT on one's own understanding counter-intuitive? Read Proverbs 28:26. What is the difference between trusting in one's own mind and walking in wisdom? Old Testament scholar Franz Delitzsch notes, "God knows the right way to the right ends." How does this apply, particularly in light of the uncertain times and future regarding Covid-19? Discuss.

- In what ways do people lean on their own understanding and wisdom rather than the wisdom of God?

#### ACKNOWLEDGE HIM (v.6)

5. Read verse 6. According to the sermon what does it mean to "acknowledge him in all your ways"? Discuss ways to acknowledge God in the following: the use money, time, relationships, exercise of gifts, marriage and family, trials and hardships.

#### STRAIGHT PATHS (v.6)

6. Read verse 6 again. What do straight paths mean? What do straight paths NOT mean?