

The Lord's Day

October 3, 2021 - 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing."

-1 Thessalonians 5:9-11 (ESV)

Prelude *I Am His and He Is Mine* w/ *Bach's Arioso in A*

* Call to Worship (responsive reading) [Psalm 103:17-19](#)

Leader: But the steadfast love of the LORD is from everlasting to everlasting on those who fear him

and his righteousness to children's children,

Leader: to those who keep his covenant

and remember to do his commandments

Leader: The LORD has established his throne in the heavens

and his kingdom rules over all.

* Hymn 535 [O, the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus](#) EBENEZER

* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 619) [Isaiah 59:14-20](#)

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 877) [Luke 17:26-37](#)

** Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn 463 [A Debtor to Mercy Alone](#) TREWEN

** Pastoral Prayer

Offertory *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* Hymn 708
in the setting of Chopin's Etude, op. 19 no. 3

* Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDREDTH

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *The Day of the Lord* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: [1 Thessalonians 5:1-11](#) (Bible, p. 987)

* Hymn (insert) *On Jordan's Stormy Banks* arr. C. Miner

The Lord's Supper *Jesus, I Am Resting, Resting* Hymns 188
& *Blessed Assurance* & 693

Deacon's Offering *I Know That My Redeemer Liveth* Hymn 690
from the Messiah

* Hymn (insert) *Before the Throne of God Above* arr. V. Cook

* 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.

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.

Evening Service, 6:00 PM:

Please join us for our evening service at 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Mark Popovitch will be preaching from 1 Kings 17:1, "Expecting Wonders at the Hard Words of God".

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

Before the Throne of God Above

1. Be - fore the throne of God a - bove, I have a strong, a per - fect
 2. When Sa - tan tempts me to de - spair, and tells me of the guilt with -
 3. Be - hold him there! the ris - en Lamb, my per - fect, spot - less, right - eous -

3
 plea, a great high priest, whose name is love, who ev - er lives and pleads for
 in, I look to heav'n and see him there, who has a - toned for all my
 ness, the great un - change - a - ble I AM, the King of glo - ry and of

7
 me. My name is writ - ten on his hands, my name is hid - den in his
 sin. Be - cause the sin - less Sav - ior died my sin - ful soul is count - ed
 grace! One with him - self, I can - not die, my soul is pur - chased by his

11
 heart; I know that while in heav'n he stands no pow'r can
 free; for God, the just, is sat - is - fied to look on
 blood; my life is safe with Christ on high; with Christ, my

14
 force me to de - part, no pow'r can force me to de - part.
 him and par - don me, to look on him and par - don me.
 Sav - ior and my God, with Christ my Sav - ior and my God.

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On Jordan's Stormy Banks

1. On Jor - dan's storm - y banks I stand and
 2. All o'er those wide ex - tend - ed plans, shines
 3. No chill - ing winds nor pois - 'nous breath can
 4. When shall I reach that hap - py place, and

2
 cast a wish - ful eye, to Ca - naan's fair and
 one e - ter - nal day. There God the Son for -
 reach that health - ful shore, where sick - ness, sor - row,
 be for - ev - er blest? When shall I see my

5
 hap - py land, where my pos - ses - sions
 ev - er reigns, and scat - ters night a -
 pain, and death are felt and feared no
 Fa - ther's face, and in his bos - om

7
 lic. I am bound, I am bound I am
 way. more. I am bound
 rest? I am bound

10
 bound for the Prom - ised Land. I am bound, I am
 I am bound

13
 bound I am bound for the Prom - ised Land.
 I am bound

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SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

October 3, 2021

Worship Leader: Elder Richard Jones
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Jeff Edwards
Ushers: David Embree
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30: Mark Popovitch
10:30 (*Worship*): Mary Wiley, Natalie Snyder
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio:

October 10, 2021

Worship Leader: Elder Armand Chenelle
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Howard Craig
Ushers: Walter Mayo
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30: Kevin Hilinski
10:30 (*Worship*): Danielle Bolliger, Elisabeth Craig
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio:

This Week at Church

Monday	1:00 PM	Women's Prayer Group
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Session Meeting
Wednesday	1:00 PM	Bible Study
	7:00 PM	Prayer Gathering
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group
Sunday	9:30 AM	Discovery Class

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

DISCIPLESHIP GROUP MINISTRY

In the past year we started a new ministry at PCC consisting of numerous discipleship groups. This was the result of a conviction and belief that discipleship is at the heart of following and growing in the Lord Jesus. Discipleship groups consist of 2-6 people of the same gender from the ages of 18 and above who gather on a regular basis to encourage one another in their life and Christian faith. If you are interested in learning more about this ministry or how to get involved, we invite you to attend a brief meeting (**30 minutes**) after **worship today**. We will be holding two meetings, one for men (led by Pastor Will in Sunday school room #1) and the other for women (led by Hannah Sung in the library).

COMING EVENTS

PCC PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

The next meeting of the PCC Prayer Shawl Ministry will be on **Wednesday, October 20th at 6:30 PM**. We invite any and all crocheters/knitters to join us at any of our meetings. Won't you consider joining us? We meet at the church in Conference Room. Please enter at the back door. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Bird (suebird1968@gmail.com) (860-872-3362)

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be on **Thursday, October 21st from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. They have added

extra safety precautions due to COVID-19 such as temperature checks before entry into the building, social distancing protocol, wearing of face masks, etc. You can visit www.redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

A Wednesday afternoon Bible study takes place at 1:00 PM at the church. If you are interested in joining, please contact Pastor Will at the church office: (860) 742-7222.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

It is time again to begin gathering small gifts to fill boxes which will be sent to children around the world. Samaritan's Purse co-ordinates with local churches to deliver these Christmas gifts along with opportunities to learn more about Jesus. Empty boxes will be available at the back of the fellowship hall. Return your filled boxes to the same location by Nov. 15th. If you have any questions, you can ask Laurie Warren, Sharon Fox or Elizabeth Koopman. For more information, to track your package or to participate by giving a donation for shipping please go to www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/

DISCOVERY CLASS

A Discovery Class has begun for those interested in learning more about the ministry of the Presbyterian Church of Coventry. This class runs for 8 weeks and takes place during the Sunday school hour (9:30-10:15). It focuses on understanding the gospel message, the doctrinal distinctives within PCC, and the ministries of our church. It is a time to grow in fellowship and understanding and provides a helpful avenue for those considering church membership. For those interested please contact Pastor Will (pastorjws@gmail.com) or the church office.

NEW BABY!

Congratulations to David & Rachel Embree on the birth of their son, Bennett Osmium Embree. He was born on September 13th at

10:47 AM, weighed 7 lbs., 12 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

NEW ADDRESS FOR PASTOR EVANS & PATSY

Pastor Evans & Patsy's new address is now:

Brad & Patsy Evans
386 Plumtree Road
Springfield, MA 01118

THANK YOU!

Dear Congregation,

It was a great blessing to have you over for the Pastor's open house last Sunday. The day was beautiful, and the fellowship was a great joy. Thanks to so many of you who contributed food and refreshments, and for helping set up and clean up. We give thanks for PCC and for the blessing of sharing life together in the Lord Jesus Christ.

With love and sincere appreciation,
Snyder family

Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

The Day of the Lord

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Main Preaching Point: Though many people will see great and sudden destruction on the day of the Lord, do not worry like those in the darkness, but rather live as children of the light destined for salvation

- The suddenness of Christ's coming (v.1-2)
 - The day of the Lord (v.2)
 - Three metaphors: a thief, an invasion, and birth pains (v.2-3)
- Inescapable wrath for those in darkness (v.3)
- Assurance in living as children of the light (v.4-10)
- Encourage one another (v.11)

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Title: The Day of the Lord

Questions:

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

The suddenness of Christ's coming (v.1-2)

2. Why does Paul say, "you have no need to have anything written to you" regarding the day of the Lord? Did they know when that day would come? Explain. Read Mark 13:32.

- What is "the day of the Lord"? Read Isaiah 13:6-9 and Joel 2:1-2. What will happen on that day for those outside of Christ? What will happen to those who are in Christ? Read 2 Thessalonians 1:6-10. Should the believer look forward to this day? Explain.

- What metaphors does Paul use to describe the day of the Lord and its suddenness? How are these helpful?

Inescapable wrath for those in darkness (v.3)

3. Read v.3. According to the sermon, what are two dangers to avoid in considering the return of the Lord? In what ways can anxiety or complacency define one's view toward the Lord's return or the end of one's life?

Assurance in living as children of the light (v.4-10)

4. Read v.4-10. How does Christ drive home assurance for the believer in these verses?

- While Paul calls the believer to live with soberness, love, hope, and faith, what is the grounds of his assurance? Is it the believer's own holy living? How is holy living grounded in the believer's identity as one united to Christ? Hint: it seems to me to be grounded in the words, "For you are all children of light" (v.5).

5. Focus on v.9-10. How can Paul speak with such confidence and assurance about the future destiny of these professing believers? How should this shape the way we live and our countenance?

Encourage one another (v.11)

6. Read v.11. As Paul mentioned earlier in chapter 4:18, his purpose is very practical—"encourage one another..." In what way(s) can you seek to encourage others in the body of Christ?