

The Lord's Day

April 24, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as to the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth."
-John 1:1, 14 (ESV)

- Prelude *What Wondrous Love Is This* Hymn 261
- * Call to Worship (Bible, p. 472) [Psalm 47](#)
(responsive reading)
- * Hymn 297 [All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!](#) DIADEM
- * Invocation
- Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 459) [Psalm 26](#)
(continuous reading in book one of the Psalms)
- New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 983) [Colossians 1:15-23](#)
- Hymn 256 [There Is a Green Hill Far Away](#) MEDITATION
- ** Silent Prayer of Confession
- * Assurance of Pardon
- * Hymn 679 ['Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus](#) TRUST IN JESUS
- ** Pastoral Prayer
- Offertory *O Love That Wilt Not Let Me Go* Hymn 708
- * Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDRETH
- * Prayer of Dedication
- Sermon *The Word of Life* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: [1 John 1:1-4](#) (Bible, p. 1021)
- * Hymn 172 [Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder](#) ALL SAINTS OLD
- * 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.

COVID-19 Guidelines: Consistent with current state and local government guidelines, the use of face coverings is optional for all individuals.

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

Evening Service, 6:00 PM:

Close out the Lord's Day in worship with the saints! Join us at 6:00 in the Fellowship Hall as we hear from God's Word and offer Him praises. Elder Sterling Harmon will be preaching from 1 Kings 19:1-4, "A Sudden and Strange Transition."

* Congregation Standing
** Congregation Kneeling

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

April 24, 2021

Worship Leader: Elder Scott Warren
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Scott Bolliger
Ushers:
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (*Worship*): Toni Kirk, Danielle Bolliger
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio:

May 1, 2021

Worship Leader: Elder Brian Wilson
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Peter Benedict
Ushers: David Embree
Audio:
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (*Worship*): Maddie Edwards, Reagan Hilinski
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio:

This Week at Church

Wednesday	1:00 PM	Bible Study
	6:00 PM	Midweek Recharge
Thursday	10:30 AM	Children's Music & Movement Class
Saturday	7:00 AM	Men's Covenant Group

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMING EVENTS

COLLECTION FOR COVENTRY FOOD BANK

As a church family, we have another opportunity to share the love of Christ with those in need right here in Coventry. The food bank run by Coventry Human Services is currently in need of these staple items: canned tuna, pasta sauce, jelly/jam, ramen, mac & cheese, rice, kids' snacks, and canned fruit. Please make sure that all food items are in good condition and within expiration dates. Food will be collected through 5/4 and can be placed in the designated box at the back of the fellowship hall. Please consider giving as you feel led and let us pray continually that God would use PCC as a body to bring the Hope of the Gospel to many in our surrounding community.

ALL-CHURCH WORKDAY

The Spring All-Church Workday is scheduled for **Saturday, April 30th**, beginning with donuts and coffee at **9:00 AM**. We are hoping to accomplish various indoor and outdoor tasks and we have jobs for people of all ages and abilities. Please see the sign-up sheet on the back table in the Fellowship Hall and consider how you may help us maintain the lovely building and grounds God has given us. (There is a rain date of Saturday, May 7th for outdoor tasks – indoor tasks can be done rain or shine!).

WOMEN'S EVENING BIBLE STUDY

Join us every other Monday evening at **7:00 PM** via Zoom (**Meeting ID: 846 6283 3643 Passcode: 366889**)! Our next meeting is on **May 2nd** and will be resuming our study through the book of Jonah. Please do not be concerned that you are jumping into the middle of the study. We are more than happy to have you come. If you have any

questions, email Hannah Sung at hannahmoon93@gmail.com or call/text her at 862-334-3839.

FIRST EVER PCC COMPASSION COOK-A-PALOOZA!

Ladies and young ladies! Please be sure to mark your calendar for the First Ever PCC Compassion Cook-a-Palooza coming up on **Saturday, May 14th from 10 AM - noon**. We'll be working together to come up with 12 crock pot ready freezer meals to bless individuals and families within the church during illness, hospitalizations, etc.

Please see the sign-up sheet on the Women's Ministry bulletin board (next to the Narthex) to sign up to participate and/or contribute the ingredients we'll need for making the meals. Look for more details in the May newsletter. Questions? Call or email Nancy Franson: 860.933.9776, nofranson@gmail.com.

(I won't be here this Sunday but will type up a sign-up sheet and have someone from my discipleship group post it. And maybe make an announcement. We'll see. Lot's going on down here in the 412!)

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.

MID-WEEK RECHARGE

We believe it is important to provide a mid-week avenue for all believers to come together to grow in friendship and to seek the Lord in prayer. Additionally, there have been some in the church that expressed a desire for more opportunities to fellowship with one another and we desire to help cultivate that.

Schedule

This ministry will take place twice a month on the **2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 6:00-8:00 PM**. From 6:00-7:00 PM food will be provided and individuals and families may come at any time during that hour to eat and spend time together. Beginning at 7:00 PM the focus will shift to a time of prayer, facilitated by an

Elder, Pastor, or other servant-leader in the church. This is an opportunity for prayer, fellowship, and to invite others outside of PCC to come and enjoy a meal and spend time together. The next Mid-Week Recharge will be **April 27th**.

Kids Bible Club

Along with food, fellowship, and prayer, a kids bible club led by Mark Popovitch will also be available for children grades k-5th. Kids club will begin at **7:00 PM** and is a ministry that provides opportunity for young people to grow in friendship with other children, receive instruction and lessons from God's Word, and enjoy singing praise to the Lord.

If you have any questions regarding this ministry, please contact Pastor Will or Mark Popovitch (860.742.7222).

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 Word of Life

1 John 1:1-4

Main Preaching Point: That you may know true fellowship with God and his people, and be filled with joy, Christ Jesus as the 'word of life' has been manifest and proclaimed to you

- Mere Christianity— “the word of life manifest” (v.1-2)
- Opposition to Christianity—Gnosticism
- Evidences of Christianity—“we saw, we touched, we looked upon” (v.1-2)
- The fruit of Christianity—fellowship and joy (v.3-4)

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: 1 John 1:1-4

Title: The Word of Life

Questions:

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

Mere Christianity— “the word of life manifest” (v.1-2)

2. Read v.1-2. How do these verses capture the essence of Christianity? In your own words, what is Christianity about?

- According to the sermon what is “that” referring to at the beginning of verse 1?
- According to the sermon, define “word of life” (v.1) and “the eternal life” (v.2), and what do they reveal about the person of Jesus Christ? Discuss.

3. How is Christianity different (and more) than a mere system of thought, an idea, or a philosophy? Why is it significant that Christianity claims to not only know the divine, but that the divine is personal (in Jesus Christ)? Discuss.

Evidences and Opposition to Christianity—“we saw, we touched, we looked upon” (v.1-2)

4. Why does John use so many verbs of perception (“we heard, we have seen, we looked upon, our hands touched...”) ? Why is he wanting to “testify” about this?

5. According to the sermon what significant philosophical movement was John (in part) responding to? What was *Gnosticism* and what dangers did it present to the early church? How might that be applicable for today? Explain.

The fruit of Christianity—fellowship and joy (v.3-4)

6. Read v.3-4. For what reason does John proclaim the message of Jesus Christ?

- Fellowship—How does life in Christ bring about fellowship with God? With others? Joy—How does life in Christ bring about joy? Think about this—the reason John writes and proclaims the message of Christ is to bring about fellowship and joy. Discuss how these things should give shape to the church. Give examples.

7. In considering 1 John 1:1-4, what is most impressed upon your heart from the text. Explain.