

The Lord's Day

July 17, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "That their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of God's mystery, which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." -Colossians 2:2-3(ESV)

Prelude Pachelbel's Canon with Seek Ye First the Kingdom of God

* Call to Worship (Bible, p. 571) [Isaiah 6:1-7](#)

* Hymn 100 [Holy, Holy, Holy!](#) NICAEA

* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 466) [Psalm 37:1-19](#)
(continuous reading in book one of the Psalms)

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 983) [Colossians 2:1-5](#)

** Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn 481 [Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus](#) LEMMEL

** Pastoral Prayer

Offertory *There Is a Fountain Filled with Blood* Hymn 253

* Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDREDETH

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *Discerning the Truth* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: [1 John 4:1-6](#) (Bible, p. 1023)

* Hymn 307 [Nothing but the Blood](#) PLAINFIELD

* Confession of Faith Westminster Larger Catechism-Q #72

Leader: What is justifying faith?

Justifying faith is a saving grace, worked in the heart of a sinner by the Spirit and Word of God.

The sinner, being convinced of his sin and misery, and of the disability in himself and all other creatures to recover him out of his lost condition,

Not only gives assent to the truth of the promise of the gospel, but receives and rests upon Christ and his righteousness, for pardon of sin, and for being accounted righteous in the sight of God for salvation.

The Lord's Supper *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing & Out of the Deep I Call* Hymns 457 & 490

Deacon's Offering *Great Is Thy Faithfulness* Hymn 32

* Hymn 308 [Jesus Paid It All](#) ALL TO CHRIST

* 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.

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.

Backyard Fellowship, 5:30 PM:

Please join us at the church at 5:30 PM for a Backyard Fellowship. See Announcements for more details.

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

July 17, 2022

Worship Leader: Elder Armand Chenelle
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Jeff Edwards
Ushers: Walter Mayo
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (*Worship*): Anita Hilinski, Ava Wilson
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:

Evening Audio: *Backyard Fellowship at the Fox's home*

July 24, 2022

Worship Leader: Elder John Sundet
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Howard Craig
Ushers: David Embree
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (*Worship*): Terri Christians, Alivia Snyder
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:

Evening Audio: *No Backyard Fellowship*

This Week at Church

Monday	12:00 PM	PCC Newsletter Deadline
Tuesday	7:00 PM	Session Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Meeting
	7:00 PM	Prayer Gathering
Thursday	10:30 AM	Children's Music & Movement Class
	7:00 PM	Deacons' Meeting
Sunday	12:00 PM	Pot-Providence for the Dourados

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

BACKYARD FELLOWSHIP!

We will meet for a Backyard Fellowship today at **5:30 PM** at **Doug & Sharon Fox's home, 10 Stein Road, Ellington**. 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. (For future fellowships, the rain location is 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. Please **sign up** on the clipboard on the back table in the Fellowship Hall if you would like to host! Available dates are 7/31, 8/7, 8/21, & 8/28.

COMING EVENTS

POT-PROVIDENCE FOR THE DOURADOS

Dear Congregation,
In celebration of Pastor Lucas and Maggie's ministry and the blessing of the whole Dourado family over the last 11 years at PCC, we are having a pot-providence after worship on **July 24th**. We would ask you please consider bringing a main or side dish to share, or a dessert. Tableware and drinks will be provided. Let us join together in fellowship, thanksgiving, and prayer for the Dourado family as they prepare for their next season of ministry for Christ and

his Kingdom. "To God be the glory, great things he has done!"

Cordially,
PCC Elders

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 near the outside doors in the Fellowship Hall. You can **return** the bottles at church **any time before September 6**. 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!

HOW TO STUDY THE BIBLE WORKSHOP

This July, RUF intern, Sophie Rooks and Women's Discipleship Coordinator, Hannah Sung will teach a 4-week workshop called *How to Study the Bible Together* during the Sunday School hour. This workshop is meant to equip us and grow us in confidence to study Scripture with one another. Each class is designed to teach us how to observe, interpret, and apply the truth of Scripture well with the ultimate goal to know and be known by our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dates: **July 17th, 24th, 31st**

Time: **Sunday from 9:30AM to 10:15AM**

Hannah Sung's contact info: (862) 334-3839 or hannahmoon93@gmail.com

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2022!

Mark your calendars now for VBS 2022 which will be **Monday, August 1st – Friday, August 5th**. Answers in Genesis presents this year's theme – "Zoomerang" which is a sanctity of life VBS in the land down under. Children will enjoy music, crafts, games, and snacks, all while hearing the Gospel message! VBS is free and open to children 4 years old through 6th grade



completed. Registration forms are on the back table in the Fellowship Hall. Please return the forms by July 20th. We hope you can join us for this week of fun!

We are looking to fill our staff list with adult and teen helpers who have a heart for the Gospel and sharing that with the community and the next generation. Please see Mark Popovitch or Terri Christians with any questions. Any volunteer must complete our church's Child Protection Training.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday Bible Study will be taking a break for a few weeks and will resume in mid-August.

MOVING HELP NEEDED FOR THE BARRS

Howdy PCC fam! We will be loading up our moving truck all day on **Wednesday, July 20th**. We start at **8 AM** and will keep loading until we're finished. If you're able to help, please let us know your availability so we can plan accordingly (cody.barr@gmail.com / 860-942-4380). Snacks will be provided throughout the day. Thanks!

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

Discerning the Truth

1 John 4:1-6

Main Preaching Point: If you are from God you will be able to discern the spirit of falsehood from the Spirit of Truth by confessing and following after the Lord Jesus Christ

- The Call to discern truth and error (v.1)
- The Tests of truth and error (v.2-6)
 - Confessing Christ as Lord (v.2-3)
 - Possessing Christ as Lord (v.4)
 - Proclaiming Christ as Lord (v.5-6)

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: 1 John 4:1-6

Title: Discerning the Truth

Questions:

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

The Call to discern truth and error (v.1)

2. Read v.1. What is the Apostle John calling the church to do? Given that the true believer has the Holy Spirit dwelling in them, why does he need to test the spirits? Can true believers fall prey to falsehood? Explain.

3. What role does man's reason and God's revelation play in coming to a knowledge of the truth? Read 1 Corinthians 2:14, Matthew 16:16-17, and John 7:17. Discuss the relevance of these passages.

- How do we have confidence in discerning truth from error? How is a posture of submission toward God and a desire to be taught by Him a key in discerning truth? Explain.

The Tests of truth and error (v.2-6)

4. According to the sermon what are the three "tests" of discerning truth from falsehood?

5. The first test was *confessing Christ as Lord*. Read verses 2-3. What does it mean to confess that Jesus is the Christ and has come in the flesh, and how is this an important and necessary mark of living in the truth? Why is giving a general assent that God exists insufficient for saving faith? Why is confession of Christ necessary? Explain.

6. A second test/mark of knowing the truth is *possessing Christ as Lord*. Read v.4. There are many who profess faith in the Lord who do not *possess* the Lord in their lives. Read Matthew 7:21-23. Discuss.

- Discuss the significance of God living within the believer, and how should this shape the countenance and confidence of living out one's faith in the midst of a world full of trial and opposition?

7. The third test/mark of knowing the truth is *proclaiming Christ as Lord*. Read v.5-6. Those who are in the truth listen and hear the Word of God. Read John 10:1-3.

- In what contexts are you hearing the Word of God? In what environments might you be a vehicle to make known the Word to others?