

The Lord's Day

August 14, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome. For everyone who has been born of God overcomes the world. And this is the victory that has overcome the world—our faith." -1 John 5:3-4 (ESV)

Prelude *Psalm 116* arr. Sons of Korah
Carol Jones, piano

* Call to Worship (Bible, p. 486) [Psalm 73:25-28](#)
(responsive reading)

* Hymn 642 [Be Thou My Vision](#) SLANE

* Invocation

Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 468) [Psalm 40](#)
(continuous reading in book one of the Psalms)

New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 965) [2 Corinthians 4:7-12](#)

Hymn 575 [Soldiers of Christ, Arise](#) DIADEMATA

** Silent Prayer of Confession

* Assurance of Pardon

* Hymn (insert) *Hallelujah!* arr. J. M. Boice/P. Jones

** Pastoral Prayer

Offertory *Psalm 23* arr. K. Green

* Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDREDDTH

* Prayer of Dedication

Sermon *Victory in Jesus* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: [1 John 5:1-5](#) (Bible, p. 1023)

* Hymn 358 [For All the Saints](#) SINE NOMINE

* Benediction

* Silent Meditation

Announcements and Dismissal

* Congregation Standing

** Congregation Kneeling

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.

Backyard Fellowship, 5:30 PM:

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

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

August 14, 2022

Worship Leader: Elder Brian Wilson
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Jeff Edwards
Ushers: Walter Mayo
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (Worship): Toni Kirk, Amber Popovitch
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio: *Backyard Fellowship at PCC*

August 21, 2022

Worship Leader: Elder Doug Fox
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Peter Benedict
Ushers: David Embree
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (Worship): Dee Volkert, Natalie Snyder
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio: *Backyard Fellowship at PCC*

This Week at Church

Tuesday	7:00 PM	Session Prayer Meeting
Wednesday	6:30 PM	Prayer Shawl Meeting
	7:00 PM	Prayer Gathering
Thursday	7:00 PM	Deacons' Meeting
Sunday	5:30 PM	Backyard Fellowship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

BACKYARD FELLOWSHIP!

We will meet for a Backyard Fellowship today at 5:30 PM at PCC. 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 date is 8/21.

COMING EVENTS

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will be on **Thursday, August 25th from 1:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall**. The Red Cross follows a high standard of safety and infection control and continues to socially distance wherever possible. Donors are no longer required to wear a face mask but can if they so choose. You can visit www.redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

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

NEW ADDRESSES

Cody & Monique Barr
315 Julie Drive
Moscow, ID 83843

Lucas & Maggie Dourado
3636 Taliluna Avenue, Apt. 138
Knoxville, TN 37919

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Although Christmas may seem a long way away, it is not too early to begin gathering small gifts to fill boxes which will be sent around the world. Samaritan's Purse coordinates with local churches to deliver these Christmas gifts along with opportunities to learn more about Jesus. It is a great time of year to take advantage of the back-to-school sales as you think about filling a box. Empty boxes to fill will be available in mid-September at the back of fellowship hall and can be returned to the same location by November. Please be in prayer for the children who will be receiving these boxes that they would come to know Jesus Christ as their Savior. If you have any questions, you can ask Elizabeth Koopman or Sharon Fox. For more information about OCC, please go to <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/occ>.

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 **August 24th**.

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).

Notes for the Preaching of God's Word

Victory in Jesus

1 John 5:1-5

Main Preaching Point: Since you have overcome the world through faith in Christ, experience victory in this fallen world by living out your faith in love and obedience to the Lord.

- Victory is needed—living in the environment of spiritual conflict
- Victory is obtained—faith in Christ as a birthmark of being born of God
- Victory is experienced—love and obedience as avenues for flourishing

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: 1 John 5:1-5

Title: Victory in Jesus

Questions:

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

Victory is needed—living in the environment of spiritual conflict

2. Read 1 John 5:4-5. What is it in these verses and throughout this epistle that suggests the believer is the conflict of a spiritual war?

- What is the nature of this conflict? Read Ephesians 6:10-18. Discuss.
- According to the sermon, what are the three main enemies that the believer faces?

3. What does John mean by the term 'world' in verses 4 & 5? Read also 1 John 2:15-17.

4. Consider your own life. What kind of spiritual conflict can you identify having to face and how did you deal with it? The Scripture speaks of the evil one 'scheming' (Eph.6:11). How might this manifest itself in the lives of believers? Explain.

Victory is obtained—faith in Christ as a birthmark of being born of God

5. According to verses 4 & 5, the believer has victory over the world. First of all, what does this mean? What all is meant in this word 'world'? Second, what does John identify as that which enables us to overcome the world?

- Faith is key in the victory that we have. What is faith? Consider the Westminster Shorter Catechism's definition of 'faith'. "Faith in Jesus Christ is a saving grace, whereby we receive and rest upon him alone for salvation" (WSC Q:86).

6. Consider the great chapter on faith—Hebrews 11. Focus on v.13-15. How does faith cause us to be victorious through this sinful, broken world?

Victory is experienced—love and obedience as avenues for flourishing

7. Let's get practical. In 1 John 5:1-5, what two avenues does John identify that the believer is to focus on to experience victory? One is love. We've focused on love a lot through this letter. But notice the second avenue—"keeping the commandments of God." How is commandment-keeping and obedience a central way of experiencing victory in Christ? Discuss.

- How are the commandments not burdensome, but in fact light? Read Psalm 1. How might this passage provide insight into how the way of God's Word and following him is not burdensome, but in fact life-giving? Discuss.