

The Lord's Day

August 21, 2022 ~ 10:30 AM

Scripture for Meditation: "And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life." -1 John 5:11-12 (ESV)

- Prelude *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* Hymns 297, 438, 296
- * Call to Worship (Bible, p. 472) [Psalm 47:1-9](#)
(responsive reading)
 - * Hymn 2 [O Worship the King](#) LYONS
 - * Invocation
 - Old Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 469) [Psalm 41](#)
(continuous reading in book one of the Psalms)
 - New Testament Lesson (Bible, p. 888) [John 3:16-17](#)
 - ** Silent Prayer of Confession
 - * Assurance of Pardon
 - * Hymn 334 [Breathe on Me, Breath of God](#) TRENTHAM
 - ** Pastoral Prayer
 - Offertory *All Creatures of Our God and King* Hymn 115
 - * Hymn 731 [Doxology](#) OLD HUNDREDDTH
 - * Prayer of Dedication
 - Sermon *The Testimony of God* Pastor Will Snyder
Text: [1 John 5:6-12](#) (Bible, p. 1023)
 - * Hymn 693 [Blessed Assurance](#) ASSURANCE
 - The Lord's Supper *Children of the Heavenly Father* &
Holy, Holy, Holy! Hymns 131 & 100
 - * Hymn (insert) *Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery*
arr. M. Papa, M. Boswell, & M. Bleecker
 - * 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

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*

August 28, 2022

Worship Leader: Elder Richard Jones
Greeters:
Deacon in Charge: Howard Craig
Ushers: Scott Bolliger
Audio: Benjamin Bassett
Nursery: 9:30:
10:30 (Worship): Elizabeth Sundet, Katie Lazzaro
Toddler Time:
Coffee Clean-up:
Evening Audio: *Backyard Fellowship at
Andrew & Marjorie Garrett's home*

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

1. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - tery, in the dawn - ing of the__
2. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - tery; He the per - fect Son of__
3. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - tery; Christ the Lord up - on the__
4. Come be - hold the won-drous mys - tery; slain by death, the God of__

King. He, the theme of heav - en's prais - es, robbed in
Man, In his liv - ing, in his suf - fering, nev - er
tree. In the stead of ru - ined sin - ners hangs the
life. But no grave could e'er re - strain him; praise the

3
frail hu - man - i - ty. In our__ long - ing, in our
trace nor stain of__ sin. See the__ true and bet - ter
Lamb in vic - tor - y! See the__ price of our re -
Lord, he is a - live! What a__ fore - taste of de -

6
dark - ness, now the__ light of life has__ come! Look to
A - dam, come to__ save the hell - bound man, Christ the
demp - tion, see the__ Fath - er's plan un - fold, bring - ing
liv - 'rance, how un__ wav - er - ing our__ hope. Christ in

9
Christ who con - de - scend - ed, took on flesh to ran - som__ us.
great and sure ful - fill - ment of the law; in him we__ stand.
man - y sons to glo - ry; grace un - meas - ured love un - told!
pow - er re - sur - rect - ed, as we will be when he__ comes.

This Week at Church

Monday	12:00 PM	PCC Newsletter Deadline
Wednesday	6:00 PM	Midweek Recharge
Thursday	1:00 PM	Red Cross Blood Drive
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!

COMING EVENTS

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

The next Red Cross Blood Drive will this **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.

DISCOVERY CLASS

Beginning **Sunday, October 16th**, a Discovery Class will begin 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.

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

The Testimony of God

1 John 5:6-12

Main Preaching Point: The testimony of God concerning his Son is richly supplied, totally authoritative, and eternally consequential.

- God's Testimony is Richly Supplied
- God's Testimony is Totally Authoritative
- God's Testimony is Eternally Consequential

Questions for Individuals, families, or small groups

Text: 1 John 5:6-12

Title: The Testimony of God

Questions:

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

God's Testimony is Richly Supplied

2. According to the sermon, what word does John repeat throughout the passage? At least eight times John mentions the word 'testimony' or 'testifies.' He states, "this is the testimony of God that he has borne concerning his Son" (v.9). John is essentially calling 'witnesses' to the stand to testify concerning Christ as God's Son and Savior of God's people. What are the three specific witnesses that he identifies in v.7-8?

- What does the water represent? How does the water testify concerning the Lord Jesus? Explain. Read Matthew 3:13-17. What was significant about the baptism of Jesus? How does it point to Jesus as God's Son and appointed Savior?

- What does the blood represent (1 Jn.5:6)? How does it testify concerning Christ as the Son of God? Read Matthew 27:54 and 1 John 1:7. Discuss.
- How does the Holy Spirit testify concerning Christ as the Son of God? Read Romans 8:16 in light of 1 John 5:10.

3. The testimony and evidence that God has provided concerning his Son is richly supplied. However, what is it that ultimately causes a person to receive the testimony as true? Is it the evidence itself? Read 1 Corinthians 12:3 and John 3:3. While God uses testimony and evidence, what causes a person to trust in God?

God's Testimony is Totally Authoritative

4. Read v.9-10. Though the Apostle John penned the words of this epistle, what is John claiming as to the authority of this testimony concerning the Lord Jesus? Why does it matter whether or not the Old and New Testaments are God's authoritative Word rather than the words of mere men?

- Read 2 Peter 1:20-21. Discuss.

God's Testimony is Eternally Consequential

5. Read 1 John 5:11-12. The testimony which John has mentioned is that "concerning the Son" (v.9). According to verses 11-12, what is the testimony about concerning Christ? Discuss this 'life' that John mentions as being in the Son. What is required in order to possess this life? What are the distinguishing characteristics of someone who possesses this life versus someone who does not? Explain.