

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VERSE BY VERSE - Wednesday

We invite you to join us for our weekly inductive Bible study, Verse By Verse, every Wednesday night at 6 PM, here at CCWC. Attendees are welcome to arrive early with their dinner at 5 PM to eat and fellowship with others. Childcare is provided.

ACADEMY: NEW TESTAMENT OVERVIEW (PART 1) - January 19 - April 13

Our next Academy class will offer a survey of the books and themes of the New Testament, with part 1 of the course beginning on January 19 and concluding on April 13. It will meet downstairs on Sundays from 8:40 AM - 9:40 AM. Childcare will be available. To sign up, please use the sign up sheet at the connection center or contact Isaac Whitney at isaac@christchurchwc.org.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS - January 19 - April 13

Our three-part membership class will be offered on Sunday mornings from January 19 to April 13 downstairs, from 8:40 AM to 9:40 AM. Classes may be attended in any order, but all must be attended before prospective members can proceed through the application process. Childcare is available.

EVENING SERVICE & MEMBER'S MEETING - February 9

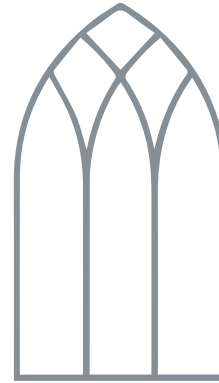
Please make plans to join us for our next evening service on February 9 at 5 PM. In addition to corporate worship and prayer, Pastoral Intern Jake Galbreath will be preaching from Philippians 2:12-18. Childcare will be provided. PLEASE NOTE: The member's meeting will be held at 3:30 PM before the evening service. All members of CCWC should make plans to be in attendance.

SUNDAY NIGHT THEOLOGY - February 23

Our upcoming SNT lecture will take place on February 23, at 5 PM., here at Christ Church West Chester. Matthew T. Martens, Juris Doctor at WilmerHale in Washington, D.C., will deliver a lecture on the content of his book on a Christian perspective of criminal justice. Childcare will be provided during the lecture. For more information on Sunday Night Theology, please visit our website.

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**CHRIST
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Service of Divine worship on the morning of
FEBRUARY 2, 2025

PREPARATION SONG

He Leadeth Me

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 112:1

PRAYER OF ADORATION

Immortal, Invisible

Praise To The Lord, The Almighty

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

Arise, My Soul, Arise

SCRIPTURE READING

Psalm 139:1-24

Nearer, My God, To Thee

CONFESSIONAL READING

The New Hampshire Confession of Faith: Article 5; Justification

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING

Ephesians 5:1-21

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

Doxology

Show Us Christ

SERMON

John 16:4b-15

Christ Is Mine Forevermore

BENEDICTION

Galatians 6:16

PREACHER: DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON
PRESIDING MINISTER: RENE RODRIGUEZ

CHRIST IS MINE FOREVERMORE

VERSE 1

Mine are days that God has numbered; I was made to walk with Him
Yet I look for worldly treasure and forsake the King of kings
But mine is hope in my Redeemer; though I fall, His love is sure
For Christ has paid for every failing; I am His forevermore

VERSE 2

Mine are tears in times of sorrow, darkness not yet understood
Through the valley I must travel where I see no earthly good
But mine is peace that flows from heaven and the strength in times of need
I know my pain will not be wasted; Christ completes his work in me

VERSE 3

Mine are days here as a stranger, pilgrim on a narrow way
One with Christ, I will encounter harm and hatred for His name
But mine is armor for this battle, strong enough to last the war
And He has said He will deliver safely to the golden shore
And mine are keys to Zion city, where beside the King I walk
For there my heart has found its treasure; Christ is mine forevermore

BRIDGE

Come rejoice now, O my soul, for His love is my reward
Fear is gone and hope is sure; Christ is mine forevermore

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SERMON NOTES

AT WORK IN THE WORLD: THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

JOHN 16:4B-15 | DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON

HE LEADETH ME

VERSE 1

He leadeth me; O, blessed thought!
O, words with heavenly comfort fraught
Whate'er I do, where'er I be
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me

REFRAIN

He leadeth me, He leadeth me!
By His own hand He leadeth me;
His faithful follower I would be
For by His hand He leadeth me

VERSE 2

Sometimes, 'mid scenes of deepest gloom
Sometimes, where Eden's flowers bloom
By water's calm or troubled sea
Still 'tis God's hand that leadeth me

VERSE 3

Lord, I would clasp Thy hand in mine
Nor ever murmur nor repine
Content whatever lot I see
Since 'tis my God that leadeth me

VERSE 4

And when my task on earth is done
When, by Thy grace, the victory's won
E'en death's cold wave I will not flee
Since God through Jordan leadeth me

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IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE,
GOD ONLY WISE

VERSE 1

Immortal, invisible, God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed, most glorious—the Ancient of Days
Almighty, victorious, Thy great name we praise

VERSE 2

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light
Nor wanting nor wasting, Thou rulest in might
Thy justice, like mountains, high soaring above
Thy clouds which are fountains of goodness and love

VERSE 3

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish but naught changeth thee

VERSE 4

Great Father of glory, pure Father of light
Thine angels adore thee, all veiling their sight
All praise we would render, O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth thee

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SERMON NOTES
AT WORK IN THE WORLD: THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH
JOHN 16:4B-15 | DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON

DOXOLOGY

Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Amen

SHOW US CHRIST

VERSE 1

Prepare our hearts, O God, help us to receive
Break the hard and stony ground, help our unbelief
Plant your word down deep in us, cause it to bear fruit
Open up our ears to hear, lead us in Your truth

CHORUS

Show us Christ, show us Christ
O God, reveal Your glory
Through the preaching of Your Word
Until every heart confesses Christ is Lord

VERSE 2

Your word is living light, upon our darkened eyes
Guards us through tempta-tions, makes the simple wise
Your Word is food for famished ones, freedom for the slave
Riches for the needy soul, come speak to us today

BRIDGE

Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life
Where else can we go, Lord, where else can we go
You have the words of eternal life

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PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

VERSE 1

Praise to the Lord—the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation!
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration.

VERSE 2

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth!
Hast thou not seen how thy desires have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

VERSE 3

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee!
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee;
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee.

VERSE 4

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the amen sound from His people again;
Gladly forever adore Him.

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CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

PSALM 32:5A (ESV)

I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah

PSALM 32:5B (ESV)

SCRIPTURE READING

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But sexual immorality and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is proper among saints. Let there be no filthiness nor foolish talk nor crude joking, which are out of place, but instead let there be thanksgiving. For you may be sure of this, that everyone who is sexually immoral or impure, or who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and God. Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not become partners with them; for at one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to discern what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of the things that they do in secret. But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

EPHESIANS 5:1-21 (ESV)

CONFESSIONAL READING

We believe the great gospel blessing that Christ secures to those who believe in him is justification. Justification includes the pardon of sin, righteous standing before God and his people, and the promise of eternal life founded on principles of righteousness. It is not given because of any works of righteousness we have done but only through faith in the Redeemer's blood. By virtue of this faith his perfect righteousness is freely imputed to us by God. Justification immediately brings us into a state of most blessed peace and favor with God and secures every other blessing we need for time and eternity.

(John 1:16, Eph. 3:8, Acts 13:39, Isa. 53:11-12, Rom. 5:1-2, Rom. 5:9, Zech. 13:1, Matt. 9:6, Acts 10:43, Rom. 5:17, Titus 3:5-7, I Peter 3:7, I John 2:25, Rom. 5:21, Rom. 4:4-5, Rom. 6:23, Phil. 3:7-9, Rom. 5:19, Rom. 3:24-26, Rom.4:23-25, I John 2:12, Rom. 5:3, Rom. 5:11, I Cor. 1:30-31, Matt. 6:33, I Tim. 4:8)

THE NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFESSION OF FAITH: ARTICLE 5; JUSTIFICATION (Adapted; 1833)

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE

VERSE 1

Arise, my soul, arise, shake off thy guilty fears;
The bleeding sacrifice in my behalf appears;
Before the throne my Surety stands,
Before the throne my Surety stands,
My name is written on His hands.

VERSE 2

He ever lives above, for me to intercede;
His all redeeming love, His precious blood, to plead;
His blood atoned for every race,
His blood atoned for every race,
And sprinkles now the throne of grace.

VERSE 3

Five bleeding wounds He bears; received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers; they strongly plead for me:
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

VERSE 4

The Father hears Him pray, His dear anointed One;
He cannot turn away the presence of His Son.
His Spirit answers to the blood,
His Spirit answers to the blood,
And tells me I am born of God.

VERSE 5

My God is reconciled; His pardoning voice I hear;
He owns me for His child; I can no longer fear
With confidence I now draw nigh,
With confidence I now draw nigh,
And "Father, Abba, Father," cry.

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SCRIPTURE READING

O Lord, you have searched me and known me! You know when I sit down and when I rise up; you discern my thoughts from afar. You search out my path and my lying down and are acquainted with all my ways. Even before a word is on my tongue, behold, O Lord, you know it altogether. You hem me in, behind and before, and lay your hand upon me. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; it is high; I cannot attain it. Where shall I go from your Spirit? Or where shall I flee from your presence? If I ascend to heaven, you are there! If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there! If I take the wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, even there your hand shall lead me, and your right hand shall hold me. If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me, and the light about me be night," even the darkness is not dark to you; the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you. For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. My frame was not hidden from you, when I was being made in secret, intricately woven in the depths of the earth. Your eyes saw my unformed substance; in your book were written, every one of them, the days that were formed for me, when as yet there was none of them. How precious to me are your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! If I would count them, they are more than the sand. I awake, and I am still with you. Oh that you would slay the wicked, O God! O men of blood, depart from me! They speak against you with malicious intent; your enemies take your name in vain. Do I not hate those who hate you, O Lord? And do I not loathe those who rise up against you? I hate them with complete hatred; I count them my enemies. Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

PSALM 139:1-24 (ESV)

NEARER, MY GOD, TO THEE

VERSE 1

Nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to Thee!
E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me,
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

VERSE 2

Though like the wanderer, the sun gone down,
Darkness be over me, my rest a stone;
Yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

VERSE 3

There let the way appear, steps unto heaven;
All that thou sendest me, in mercy given;
Angels to beckon me nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

VERSE 4

Then, with my waking thoughts bright with thy praise,
Out of my stony griefs Bethel I'll raise;
So by my woes to be nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

VERSE 5

Or if, on joyful wing cleaving the sky,
Sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I'll fly,
Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

VERSE 6

There in my Father's home, safe and at rest
There in my Savior's love, perfectly blest
Age after age to be, nearer, my God, to Thee;
Nearer, my God, to Thee, nearer to Thee!

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