

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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.

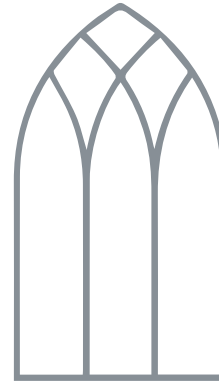
EVENING SERVICE - Tonight
Please make plans to join us tonight for our next evening service at 5 PM. In addition to corporate worship and prayer, Pastor Tim Garber will be preaching from Philippians 3:12-16. Childcare will be provided.

SUNDAY NIGHT THEOLOGY - March 30
Our upcoming SNT lecture will take place on March 30, at 5 PM., here at Christ Church West Chester. Esther Liu, faculty member at the Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation in Glenside, PA, will deliver a lecture on the content of her book on shame. This lecture will seek to not only comfort those struggling with shame, but will also equip those walking alongside loved ones experiencing its effects. Childcare will be provided during the lecture. For more information on Sunday Night Theology, please visit our website.

WOMEN'S RETREAT - May 2-3
This year's women's retreat will be May 2-3, here at Christ Church West Chester. Cost is \$15. For more details or to register, please contact Meghan Johnson. To volunteer to help, please contact Nancy Socolofsky or Elizabeth Werwinski.

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**CHRIST
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Service of Divine worship on the morning of
MARCH 9, 2025

PREPARATION SONG
Jesus, My Great High Priest

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO WORSHIP
Psalm 133:1-3

PRAYER OF ADORATION

*All People That On Earth Do Dwell
Behold Our God*

CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

The Gospel Song

SCRIPTURE READING
Ezekiel 37:15-28

There Is A Redeemer

CONFESSIONAL READING

The New Hampshire Confession of Faith: Article 10; Sanctification

PASTORAL PRAYER

SCRIPTURE READING
1 Corinthians 1:10-17

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

GIVING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS
The Gloria Patri

There Is One Gospel

SERMON
John 17:20-26

THE LORD'S SUPPER
The Church's One Foundation

Facing A Task Unfinished

BENEDICTION
Ephesians 4:4-6

PREACHER: DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON
PRESIDING MINISTER: STEFAN PEIFFER

FACING A TASK UNFINISHED

VERSE 1

Facing a task unfinished that drives us to our knees
A need that, undiminished, rebukes our slothful ease
We who rejoice to know Thee renew before Thy throne
The solemn pledge we owe Thee to go and make Thee known

VERSE 2

Where other lords beside Thee hold their unhindered sway
Where forces that defied Thee defy Thee still today
With none to heed their crying for life and love and light
Unnumbered souls are dying and pass into the night

CHORUS

We go to all the world with kingdom hope unfurled
No other name has power to save but Jesus Christ, the Lord

VERSE 3

We bear the torch that, flaming, fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming that Jesus died and rose
Ours is the same commission; the same glad message ours
Fired by the same ambition, to Thee we yield our powers

VERSE 4

O Father who sustained them, O Spirit who inspired
Savior whose love constrained them to toil with zeal untired
From cowardice defend us, from lethargy awake
Forth on Thine errands send us to labor for Thy sake

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THE CHURCH'S ONE FOUNDATION

VERSE 1

The church's one foundation is Jesus Christ, her Lord;
She is his new creation by water and the Word:
From heav'n he came and sought her to be his holy bride;
With his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.

VERSE 2

Elect from ev'ry nation, yet one o'er all the earth,
Her charter of salvation: one Lord, one faith, one birth;
One holy name she blesses, partakes one holy food,
And to one hope she presses, with ev'ry grace endued.

VERSE 3

The church shall never perish! Her dear Lord to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish, is with her to the end;
Though there be those that hate her, and false sons in her pale,
Against a foe or traitor she ever shall prevail.

VERSE 4

'Mid toil and tribulation, and tumult of her war,
She waits the consummation of peace forevermore;
Till, with the vision glorious, her longing eyes are blessed,
At last the church victorious shall be the church at rest.

VERSE 5

Yet she on earth hath union with the God the Three in One,
And mystic sweet communion with those whose rest is won:
O happy ones and holy! Lord, give us grace that we,
Like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee

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JESUS, MY GREAT HIGH PRIEST

VERSE 1

Jesus, my great High Priest,
Offered his blood and died;
My guilty conscience seeks no sacrifice beside.
His pow'ful blood did once atone,
And now it pleads before the throne.

VERSE 2

To this dear Surety's hand
Will I commit my cause;
He answers and fulfills his Father's broken laws
Behold my soul at freedom set;
My Surety paid the dreadful debt.

VERSE 3

My Advocate appears
For my defense on high;
The Father bows his ears and lays his thunder by.
Not all that hell or sin can say
Shall turn his heart, his love, away.

VERSE 4

Should all the hosts of death
And pow'rs of hell unknown
Put their most dreadful forms of rage and mischief on,
I shall be safe, for Christ displays
His conqu'ring pow'r and guardian grace.

Words by Isaac Watts | Tune: Darwall's 148th

ALL PEOPLE THAT ON EARTH DO DWELL

VERSE 1

All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice,
him serve with fear, his praise forthtell;
come ye before him, and rejoice!

VERSE 2

The Lord, ye know, is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make.
We are his flock, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

VERSE 3

O enter then his gates with praise;
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do

VERSE 4

For why? The Lord our God is good;
his mercy is forever sure.
His truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

VERSE 5

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow!
Praise him, all creatures here below!
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host!
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost!

Words: Sts. 1-4, William Kethe, 1561; st. 5, Thomas Ken, 1692, rev. 1709
Music: Loys Bourgeois, 1551; harm. Lowell Mason, 1833, rev. 1839

SERMON NOTES

A VISUAL AID: UNITY

JOHN 17:20-26 | DR. RAYMOND JOHNSON

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BEHOLD OUR GOD

VERSE 1

Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?
Kings and nations tremble at His voice
All creation rises to rejoice

CHORUS

Behold our God seated on His throne
Come, let us adore Him
Behold our King! Nothing can compare
Come, let us adore Him!

VERSE 2

Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?
Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

VERSE 3

Who has felt the nails upon His hands
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal humbled to the grave
Jesus, Savior risen now to reign!

BRIDGE

MEN: You will reign forever

WOMEN: Let Your glory fill the earth

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Words & Music by Jonathan Baird, Meghan Baird, Ryan Baird, and Stephen Altrogge

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CONFESSION & ASSURANCE

The godly has perished from the earth, and there is no one upright among mankind; they all lie in wait for blood, and each hunts the other with a net. Their hands are on what is evil, to do it well; the prince and the judge ask for a bribe, and the great man utters the evil desire of his soul; thus they weave it together. The best of them is like a brier, the most upright of them a thorn hedge. The day of your watchmen, of your punishment, has come; now their confusion is at hand.

MICAH 7:2-4 (ESV)

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing the law of commandments expressed in ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby killing the hostility.

EPHESIANS 2:13-16 (ESV)

THE GOSPEL SONG

Holy God, in love, became perfect man to bear my blame
On the cross, He took my sin; by His death I live again

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Music and Words by Bob Kauflin and Drew Jones

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THERE IS ONE GOSPEL

VERSE 1

There is one Gospel on which I stand for all eternity
It is my story, my Father's plan
The Son has rescued me
Oh, what a Gospel! Oh, what a peace!
My highest joy and my deepest need
Now and forever He is my light
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

VERSE 2

There is one Gospel to which I cling
All else I count as loss
For there, where justice and mercy meet,
He saved me on the cross
No more I boast in what I can bring
No more I carry the weight of sin
For He has brought me from death to life
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

VERSE 3

There is one Gospel where hope is found
The empty tomb still speaks
For death could not keep my Savior down
He lives and I am free
Now on my Savior I fix my eyes
My life is His and His hope is mine
For he has promised I, too, will rise
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

VERSE 4

And in this Gospel the church is one
We do not walk alone
We have His Spirit as we press on
To lead us safely home
And when, in glory, still I will sing
Of this old story that rescued me
Praise to my Savior, the King of life!
I stand in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

CCLI Song # 7199817

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SCRIPTURE READING

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-17 (ESV)

GLORIA PATRI

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be
World without end.
Amen, amen

Gloria Patri, 2nd cent.
Henry W. Greatorex, 1851

SCRIPTURE READING

The word of the Lord came to me: "Son of man, take a stick and write on it, 'For Judah, and the people of Israel associated with him'; then take another stick and write on it, 'For Joseph (the stick of Ephraim) and all the house of Israel associated with him.' And join them one to another into one stick, that they may become one in your hand. And when your people say to you, 'Will you not tell us what you mean by these?' say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I am about to take the stick of Joseph (that is in the hand of Ephraim) and the tribes of Israel associated with him. And I will join with it the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, that they may be one in my hand. When the sticks on which you write are in your hand before their eyes, then say to them, Thus says the Lord God: Behold, I will take the people of Israel from the nations among which they have gone, and will gather them from all around, and bring them to their own land. And I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel. And one king shall be king over them all, and they shall be no longer two nations, and no longer divided into two kingdoms. They shall not defile themselves anymore with their idols and their detestable things, or with any of their transgressions. But I will save them from all the backslidings in which they have sinned, and will cleanse them; and they shall be my people, and I will be their God. "My servant David shall be king over them, and they shall all have one shepherd. They shall walk in my rules and be careful to obey my statutes. They shall dwell in the land that I gave to my servant Jacob, where your fathers lived. They and their children and their children's children shall dwell there forever, and David my servant shall be their prince forever. I will make a covenant of peace with them. It shall be an everlasting covenant with them. And I will set them in their land and multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in their midst forevermore. My dwelling place shall be with them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Then the nations will know that I am the Lord who sanctifies Israel, when my sanctuary is in their midst forevermore."

EZEKIEL 37:15-28 (ESV)

THERE IS A REDEEMER

VERSE 1

There is a Redeemer: Jesus, God's own Son
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, Holy One

CHORUS

Thank you, oh my Father, for giving us your Son
And leaving your Spirit, 'til the work on earth is done.

VERSE 2

Jesus, my Redeemer: Name above all names
Precious Lamb of God, Messiah, oh, for sinners slain.

VERSE 3

When I stand in glory, I will see His face
There I'll serve my King forever in that holy place.

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Ears To Hear

CONFESSONAL READING

We believe sanctification is the process by which we are made partakers of God's holiness, according to his purpose. Sanctification is a progressive work. It begins in regeneration and continues in the hearts of believers by the presence and power of the Holy Spirit and by God's appointed means. These means include the word of God, self-examination, self-denial, watchfulness, prayer, and the oversight and fellowship of the visible church.

(I Thess. 4:3; I Thess. 5:23; II Cor. 7:1; II Cor. 13:10; Phil. 3:12-16; I John 2:29; Rom. 8:5; Eph. 1:4; Pro. 4:18; II Cor. 3:18; Heb. 6:1; II Peter 1:5-8; John 3:6; Phil. 1:9-11; Eph. 1:13-14; Phil. 2:12-13; Eph. 4:11-12; I Peter 2:2; II Peter 3:18; II Cor. 13:5; Luke 11:35; Luke 9:23; Matt. 26:41; Eph.6:18; Eph.4:30)

**THE NEW HAMPSHIRE CONFSSION OF FAITH:
ARTICLE 10; SANCTIFICATION
(Adapted; 1833)**