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— LIFE GROUPS —

*And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. (Acts 2:42)*

*Life Group schedules are a bit different during the summer months, but there are plenty of opportunities to invite one another over to each other's houses for gospel discussions, hymn sings & hot dogs, prayer, and familial fun times! Please do something intentional THIS WEEK to invest some time with your brothers and sisters in Christ! If you're drawing a blank about where to start, email one of the following ECPC life group leaders:*

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*East Charlotte Pres is a church that strives to be defined by the Gospel --  
inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JUNE 21<sup>ST</sup>, 2015

SERMON SERIES:

The  
Quest  
For a King

A simple line-art illustration of a crown with three points and a base.

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MRS. JC KONECNY

## CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. JASON PITEO

## SONG OF PRAISE

ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE  
C. Wesley | S. Roley

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

### chorus

*Arise (arise), Arise (arise),  
Arise Arise, my soul, arise  
Arise (arise), Arise (arise),  
Arise Arise, my soul, arise  
Shake off your guilty fears and rise*

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

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

PSALM 130 (FROM THE DEPTHS OF WOE)  
M. Luther | C. Miner

From the depths of woe I raise to Thee the voice of lamentation;  
Lord, turn a gracious ear to me and hear my supplication.  
If Thou iniquities dost mark our secret sins and misdeeds dark  
O who shall stand before Thee? (*women echo*)

To wash away the crimson stain grace, grace alone availeth;  
Our works, alas! are all in vain in much the best life faileth.  
No man can glory in Thy sight, all must alike confess Thy might  
And live alone by mercy (*women echo*)

Therefore my trust is in the Lord and not in my own merit;  
On Him my soul shall rest, His Word upholds my fainting spirit.  
His promised mercy is my fort, my comfort, and my sweet support;  
I wait for it with patience (*women echo*)

## — ANNOUNCEMENTS —

**VISITORS LUNCH** — There will be a visitors lunch at the **Hampton Residence** (10051 Hickory Ridge Rd, Harrisburg, NC 28075) after church on **July 12th**. Visitors & members alike are welcome to join us, so please mark your calendars today!

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** — There will be a congregational meeting immediately **after church on July 26th**. The purpose of this meeting will be threefold: 1) to vote to petition the Central Carolina Presbytery to become a particular church (self-governing), 2) to hold an election for our three officer candidates, and 3) to vote to officially call Tyler & Jason as your pastors. This should require about 30 minutes. Only communing members in good standing will be eligible to vote during this meeting. This is a VERY important event in the life of our church, so please mark your calendars and make every effort to attend! Keep a lookout in the bulletin during the coming weeks for more information including bios on the candidates for whom you'll be voting.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** — East Charlotte Pres is excited to announce our first Adult Sunday School class starting the first Sunday in July from 9:30a - 10:15a. Childcare will be provided for all ages and classes will run in two-month blocks. The first class is titled: *When the Gospel Meets Reality*. We live in a broken, sinful and messy world that pervades every part of our lives. It affects our relationships, our families, our vocations, our finances, our church and even our very identity. And in comes the gospel message of faith, repentance, forgiveness, mercy and grace. But, how do we practically apply the gospel message to transform the brokenness of our everyday lives?

## — UPCOMING EVENTS —

JUN 23	SUMMER PLAY GROUP (IDLEWILD ROAD PARK)
JUN 26	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
JUN 28	BAPTISM
JUN 30	SUMMER PLAY GROUP (VETERANS PARK SPLASH PAD)
JUL 03	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
JUL 05	LORD'S SUPPER
JUL 10	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
JUL 12	VISITORS LUNCH
JUL 15	WOMEN'S MINISTRY: PINTEREST NIGHT
JUL 17	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
JUL 19	LORD'S SUPPER
JUL 26	CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (AFTER CHURCH)

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. TYLER DIRKS

What though I wait the live-long night until the dawn appeareth  
My heart still trusteth in His might, it doubteth not nor feareth.  
Do thus O ye of Israel's seed, ye of the Spirit born indeed,  
And wait 'til God appeareth. (*women echo*)

## SONG OF RESPONSE

When peace like a river attendeth my way  
When sorrows like sea billows roll  
Whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say  
It is well, it is well with my soul

### chorus

*It is well (women echo)*  
*With my soul (women echo)*  
*It is well, it is well with my soul*

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come  
Let this blest assurance control  
That Christ has regarded my helpless estate  
And has shed his own blood for my soul

My sin, O the bliss of this glorious thought  
My sin, not in part, but the whole  
Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no more  
Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! O my soul

O Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight  
The clouds be rolled back as a scroll  
The trump shall resound and the Lord shall descend  
Even so, It is well with my soul

## BENEDICTION

REV. JASON PITEO

IT IS WELL WITH MY SOUL  
*H. Spafford | P. Bliss*

Though great our sins and sore our woes, His grace much more aboundeth.  
His helping love no limit knows, our utmost need is soundeth.  
Our Shepherd: good and true is He, who will at last His Israel free  
From all our sin and sorrow. (*women echo*)

## CONFESSION OF SIN

MR. JOSHUA KROGER

**Leader:** *Father, we have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.*

**People:** Make us to know our transgressions and our sins. We love to follow the desires of our sinful nature; lustful pleasures, idolatry, quarreling, jealousy, selfish ambition, envy, and other sins like these. Our sin is very great.

**All:** Have mercy on us, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out our transgressions. Wash us thoroughly from our iniquities, and cleanse us from our sin!

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

EPHESIANS 2:4-10

## SONG OF THANKSGIVING

GOD BE MERCIFUL TO ME  
*R. Redhead | C. Miner*

God be merciful to me / On Thy grace I rest my plea  
Plenteous in compassion Thou / Blot out my transgression now  
Wash me, make me pure within / Cleanse, O cleanse me from my sin

My transgressions I confess / Grief and guilt my soul oppress  
I have sinned against Thy grace / And provoked Thee to Thy face  
I confess Thy judgment just / Speechless, I Thy mercy trust

I am evil born in sin / Thou desirest truth within  
Thou alone my Savior art / Teach Thy wisdom to my heart  
Make me pure, Thy grace bestow / Wash me whiter than the snow

Broken, humbled to the dust / By Thy wrath and judgment just  
Let my contrite heart rejoice / And in gladness hear Thy voice  
From my sins O hide Thy face / Blot them out in boundless grace

Gracious God, my heart renew / Make my spirit right and true  
Cast me not away from Thee / Let Thy Spirit dwell in me  
Thy salvation's joy impart / Steadfast make my willing heart

Sinners then shall learn from me / And return, O God, to Thee  
Savior, all my guilt remove / And my tongue shall sing Thy love  
Touch my silent lips, O Lord / And my mouth shall praise accord

## GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

## SONG OF PREPARATION

JESUS, LOVER OF MY SOUL  
*C. Wesley | G. Thompson*

Jesus, lover of my soul, let me to Thy bosom fly  
While the nearer waters roll, while the tempest still is high  
Hide me, O my savior, hide, 'till Thy storm is past  
Safe into the haven guide; Receive my soul at last

Other refuge have I none, hangs my helpless soul on Thee  
Leave, ah leave me not alone, still support and comfort me  
All my trust on Thee is stayed, all my help from Thee I bring  
Cover my defenseless head in the shadow of Thy wing

Thou, O Christ art all I want, more than all in Thee I find  
Raise the fallen, cheer the faint, heal the sick and lead the blind  
Just and holy is Thy name, I am all unrighteousness  
False and full of sin I am, Thou art full of truth and grace

Plenteous grace with Thee is found, grace to cover all my sin  
Let the healing streams abound, make and keep me pure within  
Thou of life the fountain art; freely let me take of Thee  
Spring Thou up within my heart, rise to all eternity

## THE 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.

## DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN

## PASTORAL PRAYER

MR. BRAD CRAVER



## PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. JASON PITEO

### “A NIGHT OF DARKNESS”

1 SAMUEL 28:3-25

I. DARKENED HEART (VV.3-7)

II. DIGGING YOUR OWN GRAVE (VV.8-19)

III. DINNER BEFORE DEATH (VV.20-25)

### REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) What is your motivation for obeying God? What do you do when you don't feel like obeying?
- 2) What sins are you currently “domesticating” rather than destroying? About what sins in your life are you saying “it’s not that bad”?
- 3) Do you really believe that Jesus died specifically for your sins and dwells tangibly in your heart? If so, what is Jesus telling you that needs to change in your life?