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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:

JON WILKINSON, JAYSON CLEARY, ALEX PARMAN, TYLER DIRKS JASON PITEO, BRAD CRAVER, MIKE SCHNEE, BRETT BONNEMA

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.

EAST CHARLOTTE PRES

ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JULY 5TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mrs. Lauren Bonnema

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF PRAISE

GOD IS ABLE B. Fielding, R. Morgan

God is able, He will never fail He is Almighty God Greater than all we seek Greater than all we ask He has done great things

chorus

Lifted up He defeated the grave Raised to life our God is able In His Name we overcome For the Lord our God is able

God is with us, God is on our side He will make a way Far above all we know Far above all we hope He has done great things

bridge

God is with us / He will go before He will never leave us / He will never leave us God is for us / He has open arms He will never fail us / He will never fail us

CONFESSION OF SIN

Mr. MIKE HOWARD

Leader: Heavenly Father, Your creation was perfect — glorious and reflective of

Your holy character in every aspect.

People: While the beauty of Your handiwork remains, it has been corrupted with the

stains of our sins. We deserve Your wrath as we have rebelled against You, causing even creation itself to groan in agony and in anticipation of renewal.

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!

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS — If you are looking for a place to get plugged in and use your event planning gifts for God's church, we are looking to form a committee to organize, plan, and execute a church wide service project/"staytreat". Please contact Alex Parman (awparman@gmail.com / 910-975-3011) or find him after the service.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL — 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? Join our discussion next Sunday from 9:30-10:15am.

Next week's topic: Our Identity in Christ

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

| JUL 10 | Men's Bible Study |
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| JUL 12 | VISITORS LUNCH |
| JUL 15 | WOMEN'S MINISTRY: PINTEREST NIGHT |
| JUL 17 | Men's Bible Study |
| JUL 19 | LORD'S SUPPER |
| JUL 24 | Men's Bible Study |
| JUL 24 | ROOTS CLASS |
| JUL 26 | CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (AFTER CHURCH) |
| JUL 31 | Men's Bible Study |
| AUG 02 | LORD'S SUPPER |
| AUG 03-07 | BACK YARD BIBLE CLUB |

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. JASON PITEO

SONG OF RESPONSE

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

How deep the Father's love for us How vast beyond all measure That He should give His only Son To make a wretch His treasure How great the pain of searing loss The Father turns His face away As wounds which mar the chosen One Bring many sons to glory

Behold the Man upon a cross
My sin upon His shoulders
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished
His dying breath has brought me life
I know that it is finished

I will not boast in anything
No gifts, no powr's, no wisdom
But I will boast in Jesus Christ
His death and resurrection
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer
But this I know with all my heart
His wounds have paid my ransom

BENEDICTION REV. Tyler Dirks

Leader: But Father, just as You promised, You HAVE redeemed Your people, calling us out of darkness and into Your marvelous light. As we stand in the light, we anticipate the fulfillment of Your final promise, to make all things new.

People: Yet we confess our impatience, Lord. We sinfully expect heaven NOW rather than waiting for it in patience and faith. Instead of lamenting the brokenness of our world, we respond with apathy, apprehension, anxiety, and anger. Lord, have mercy, and teach us to live well in the tension between being "already redeemed" and "not yet glorified".

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

REVELATION 21:3-4

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

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*)

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)

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)

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

DEAR REFUGE OF MY WEARY SOUL

Dear refuge of my weary soul, on Thee, when sorrows rise On Thee, when waves of trouble roll, my fainting hope relies To Thee I tell each rising grief, for Thou alone canst heal Thy Word can bring a sweet relief, for every pain I feel

But oh! When gloomy doubts prevail, I fear to call Thee mine The springs of comfort seem to fail, and all my hopes decline Yet gracious God, where shall I flee? Thou art my only trust And still my soul would cleave to Thee though prostrate in the dust

Hast Thou not bid me seek Thy face, and shall I seek in vain? And can the ear of sovereign grace, be deaf when I complain? No still the ear of sovereign grace, attends the mourner's prayer Oh may I ever find access, to breathe my sorrows there

Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet,
Thy mercy seat is open still, here let my soul retreat
With humble hope attend Thy will, and wait beneath Thy feet

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. JON WILKINSON



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

"A LOVE SATURATED LAMENT"

2 SAMUEL 1:17-27

- I. LOVE FOR THE GLORIOUS NAME OF GOD (VV.20-21)
- II. LOVE OF JUSTICE (VV.22-24)
- III. LOVE OF SACRIFICIAL LOVE (VV.25-27)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) What is something that God is truly calling you to lament? Take 30 minutes or more to thoughtfully process your grief and agony, and write a lament about that thing.
- 2) List 5 obstacles in your life that are preventing you from being obsessed with God's glory, and utterly in awe of the unbelievably staggering reality that He has declared you (of all people) as His own!
- 3) What is your reaction to injustice: (a) apathy (b) human anger (c) anxiety? Take 30 minutes or more to write a lament about your sinful reaction to injustice.
- Write down 10 particular thoughts that David might have harbored about the staggering, extraordinary, sacrificial love that he had been shown by Jonathan.