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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  
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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, JULY 19<sup>TH</sup>, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MR. JD SHOTWELL

## CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. JASON PITEO

## SONG OF PRAISE

JESUS, I COME (OUT OF MY BONDAGE)

*W. Sleeper | G. Thompson*

Out of my bondage, sorrow and night, Jesus, I come; Jesus I come  
Into Thy freedom, gladness and light, Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of my sickness into Thy health, Out of my wanting and into Thy wealth  
Out of my sin and into Thyself, Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of my shameful failure and loss, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come  
Into the glorious gain of Thy cross, Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of earth's sorrows into Thy balm, Out of life's storms and into Thy calm  
Out of distress into jubilant psalm, Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of unrest and arrogant pride, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come  
Into Thy blessed will to abide, Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of myself to dwell in Thy love, Out of despair into raptures above  
Upward forever on wings like a dove, Jesus, I come to Thee

Out of the fear and dread of the tomb, Jesus, I come; Jesus, I come  
Into the joy and light of Thy home, Jesus, I come to Thee  
Out of the depths of ruin untold, Into the peace of Thy sheltering fold  
Ever Thy glorious face to behold, Jesus, I come to Thee

## CONFESSION OF FAITH

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

**Q. 19.** *What is the misery of that estate whereinto man fell?*

**A.** All mankind by their fall lost communion with God, are under his wrath and curse, and so made liable to all the miseries of this life, to death itself, and to the pains of hell forever.

**Q. 20.** *Did God leave all mankind to perish in the estate of sin and misery?*

**A.** God, having out of his mere good pleasure, from all eternity, elected some to everlasting life, did enter into a covenant of grace to deliver them out of the estate of sin and misery, and to bring them into an estate of salvation by a Redeemer.

## — ANNOUNCEMENTS —

**NOW HIRING** — East Charlotte Pres is seeking a part-time bookkeeper to work approximately 5 hours/week. The job description includes working with church leaders to create and maintain the accounting records for the church using QuickBooks and Realm, customizing and generating monthly and annual reports, and performing banking functions as required. If interested, please email a resume to [apply@eastcharlottepres.org](mailto:apply@eastcharlottepres.org).

**ROOTS CLASS** — Would you like to learn more about our church or are you interested in pursuing membership? If so, the next Roots Class is Friday, July 24th from 7-10pm @ the Dirks residence (1016 Timber Lake Dr, 28227). We will have these classes quarterly as they are a requirement for membership. Please let Tyler/Jason know if you intend to come so that we can properly prepare for your presence.

**CONGREGATIONAL MEETING** — There will be a congregational meeting immediately **after church next week**. 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!

**SAVE THE DATE** — Pending the outcome of our congregational meeting next week, please mark your calendars to attend our particularization service & celebration. At this service, we will install our officers & pastors and become a self-governing church. The service will be at 6pm on September 6th @ J.H. Gunn. Keep an eye out for more details.

## — UPCOMING EVENTS —

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
AUG 16	FAMILY WORSHIP SERVICE
AUG 16	LORD'S SUPPER
AUG 22	PRESBYTERY @ CHRIST COVENANT
SEP 06	LORD'S SUPPER
SEP 06	PARTICULARIZATION SERVICE & CELEBRATION

## SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. JASON PITEO

### SONG OF RESPONSE

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost, but now am found  
Was blind, but now I see

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed

Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come  
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home

When we've been there ten thousand years  
Bright shining as the sun  
We've no less days to sing God's praise  
Than when we've first begun

AMAZING GRACE  
*J. Newton*

### BENEDICTION

REV. JASON PITEO

## SONG OF THANKSGIVING

BE STILL MY SOUL  
*J. Sibelius | K. von Schlegel, J. Borthwick*

Be still, my soul: the Lord is on thy side.  
Bear patiently the cross of grief or pain.  
Leave to thy God to order and provide;  
In every change, He faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul: thy best, thy heavenly Friend  
Through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul: thy God doth undertake  
To guide the future, as He has the past.  
Thy hope, thy confidence let nothing shake;  
All now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul: the waves and winds still know  
His voice Who ruled them while He dwelt below.

Be still, my soul: when dearest friends depart,  
And all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
Then shalt thou better know His love, His heart,  
Who comes to soothe thy sorrow and thy fears.  
Be still, my soul: thy Jesus can repay  
From His own fullness all He takes away.

Be still, my soul: the hour is hastening on  
When we shall be forever with the Lord.  
When disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
Sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still, my soul: when change and tears are past,  
All safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

Be still, my soul: begin the song of praise  
On earth, believing, to thy Lord on high;  
Acknowledge Him in all thy works and ways,  
So shall He view thee with a well-pleased eye.  
Be still, my soul: the Sun of life divine  
Through passing clouds shall but more brightly shine.

## GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

## SONG OF PREPARATION

Jesus draw me ever nearer  
As I labour through the storm.  
You have called me to this passage,  
and I'll follow, though I'm worn.

May this journey bring a blessing,  
May I rise on wings of faith;  
And at the end of my heart's testing,  
With Your likeness let me wake.

Jesus guide me through the tempest;  
Keep my spirit staid and sure.  
When the midnight meets the morning,  
Let me love You even more.

Let the treasures of the trial  
Form within me as I go  
And at the end of this long passage,  
Let me leave them at Your throne.

## 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

JESUS DRAW ME EVER NEARER  
*K. Getty | M. Becker*

MR. BEN TAYLOR



## PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. JASON PITEO

### ***“GRASPING FOR A CRUMBLING KINGDOM”***

2 SAMUEL 4:1-12

I. THE FRAILTY OF OUR WORLDLY KINGDOMS

II. THE FUTILITY OF SELF-JUSTIFICATION

III. THE FAITHFULNESS OF A RIGHTEOUS KING

### **REFLECTION QUESTIONS:**

- 1) In what ways have you fooled yourself into thinking that you're stronger than you are or that you're invincible?
- 2) How are you hiding the real you, the frail & weak you, from those around you? Wouldn't it be better to admit & embrace your weakness and rely of Christ's strength?
- 3) What sins are you regularly trying to rationalize and defend? If you can't think of anything, ask your spouse or a close Christian friend. Next... REPENT!
- 4) Have you submitted yourself to Christ like the Canaanite woman in Matt 15:21-28 who was satisfied with "crumbs" from the King of kings? Read & think about it.