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— LIFE GROUPS —

COVENTRY WOODS (1318 CEDARWOOD LN) SUNDAYS @ 7PM

STUDY: *MODERN PARABLES*

CHILDCARE: NO

LEADERS: BLUMENSTEIN & BONNEMA (brett.bonnema@gmail.com)

EMERALD LAKE (1506 EMERALD LAKE DR)

SUNDAYS @ 5PM

STUDY: *A PRAYING LIFE*

CHILDCARE: YES

LEADERS: HENDERSON & CRAVER (bradcraver@gmail.com)

HICKORY GROVE (6823 WAGON OAK RD)

WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM

STUDY: *THE PSALMS*

CHILDCARE: YES

LEADERS: PARMAN & PITEO (jason@piteo.net)

MARLWOOD ACRES (1016 TIMBER LAKE DR)

WEDNESDAYS @ 6PM

STUDY: *DELIGHTING IN DESPERATION*

CHILDCARE: YES

LEADERS: SCHNEE & DIRKS (tyler.dirks@gmail.com)

UNIVERSITY AREA (4600 SAXONBURY WAY)

SUNDAYS @ 5PM

STUDY: *THE BOOK OF MICAH*

CHILDCARE: YES

LEADERS: CLEARY & WILKINSON (jon.wilkinson86@gmail.com)

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inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MRS. MISTI CRAVER

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONGS OF PRAISE

HERE I AM TO WORSHIP
T. Hughes

Light of the world, You stepped down into darkness
Opened my eyes let me see
Beauty that made this heart adore You
Hope of a life spent with You

chorus

*So here I am to worship, here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely, altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me*

King of all days, oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came to the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor

bridge

I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross
And I'll never know how much it cost
To see my sin upon that cross

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

SPECIAL SERVICE TONIGHT — Please plan to attend our particularization service & celebration starting tonight at 6pm here at J.H. Gunn. At this service, we will ordain and install our officers and install pastors as we become a self-governing church. Immediately following the service will be a reception at the Dirks' residence (1016 Timber Lake Drive). Children are welcome to attend both events and the nursery will be available during the service. Please join us for this momentous event in the life of our church!

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL TOPIC — SERVANT LEADERSHIP & FOLLOWERSHIP
You are a leader. You are a follower. But, what type of leader and follower is God calling you to be? How can you be more effective? How can you love your neighbor and glorify God as a leader and a follower? We will answer these questions in this class by considering various qualities of great (and not so great) leaders and followers each week.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY — Do you need to hear and believe Jesus' powerful "I Am?" Join us beginning on *September 8th* as we study the portrait of the Word made flesh from the *Gospel of John*. A Tuesday morning study will be held at the home of Carrie Dirks (1016 Timber Lake Dr) beginning at 9 am, with childcare available. A Tuesday evening study will be held at the home of Mimi Henderson (5427 Gristmill Ln) starting at 7 pm.

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY DINNER — Mark your calendars for September 17th, 6:30 pm at the home of Jill Piteo (6823 Wagon Oak Rd)...it's time for another women's community dinner! Start thinking about who you would like to invite to feast on some chili and other autumn goodies. A sign-up genius and more information will be coming soon.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

SEP 06	PARTICULARIZATION SERVICE & CELEBRATION
SEP 08	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
SEP 09	FIRST OFFICERS MEETING
SEP 11	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
SEP 13	BAPTISM
SEP 13-20	LIFEGROUP KICKOFFS
SEP 15	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
SEP 17	WOMEN'S COMMUNITY DINNER
SEP 18	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
SEP 20	LORD'S SUPPER
SEP 22	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
SEP 25	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. JASON PITEO

SONG OF RESPONSE

IN CHRIST ALONE

K. Getty, S. Townend

In Christ alone my hope is found, He is my light, my strength, my song
This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm
What heights of love, what depths of peace, When fears are stilled, when strivings cease
My Comforter, my All in All, Here in the love of Christ I stand

In Christ alone, who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless babe
This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save
'Til on that cross as Jesus died, The wrath of God was satisfied
For every sin on Him was laid, Here in the death of Christ I live

There in the ground His body lay, Light of the world by darkness slain
Then bursting forth in glorious Day, Up from the grave He rose again
And as He stands in victory, Sin's curse has lost its grip on me
For I am His and He is mine, Bought with the precious blood of Christ

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the power of Christ in me
From life's first cry to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny
No power of hell, no scheme of man, Can ever pluck me from His hand
'Til He returns or calls me home, Here in the power of Christ I'll stand

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF CONFESSION & 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*)
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*)
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*)
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*)
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*)
From all our sin and sorrow. (*women echo*)

CONFESSION OF FAITH

WESTMINSTER SHORTER CATECHISM

Q. 26. *How does Christ execute the office of a king?*

A. Christ executes the office of a king, in subduing us to himself, in ruling and defending us, and in restraining and conquering all his and our enemies.

Q. 27. *Wherein did Christ's humiliation consist?*

A. Christ's humiliation consisted in his being born, and that in a low condition, made under the law, undergoing the miseries of this life, the wrath of God, and the cursed death of the cross; in being buried, and continuing under the power of death for a time.

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see
Only Thou art holy, there is none beside Thee
Perfect in power, in love, and purity

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY
J. B. Dykes | R. Heber

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

REV. JASON PITEO



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

“THE HOLY HUMBLE KING”

2 SAMUEL 10:1-19

I. THE KING OF HESED {VV.1-2}

II. HOSTILE RESPONSE (VV.3-8)

III. THE HOLY HUMBLE KING (VV.7-19)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) How would you describe your leadership style? Is *hesed* (loving-kindness) a primary part of your approach? Why or why not?
- 2) When, where, and/or with whom do you find yourself getting defensive? Why are you so defensive?
- 3) What do you do when you've become a stench to someone? (e.g. do you weep over your sin, or do you wage a war of self-defense)?
- 4) Do you merely confess your sin — or do you actually repent & hate your sin? Why or why not?
- 5) Are you in awe of the holiness and humility of God? Does God's holiness and humility dominate and define your life? What do you think and feel when you focus on the crucifixion of the King of kings — Jesus Christ?