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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 & Perfector of our faith.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MRS. JESSICA JONES

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONGS OF PRAISE

MIGHTY TO SAVE
B. Fielding | R. Morgan

Everyone needs compassion, A love that's never failing;
Let mercy fall on me
Everyone needs forgiveness, The kindness of a Savior;
The Hope of nations

chorus

*Savior, He can move the mountains,
My God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save.
Forever, Author of salvation,
He rose and conquered the grave, Jesus conquered the grave.*

So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures,
Fill my life again
I give my life to follow, Everything I believe in,
Now I surrender

bridge

Shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singing
For the glory of the risen King, Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see, We're singing
For the glory of the risen King

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

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

SEMI-MONTHLY PRAYER GATHERING — "These all continued with one accord in prayer & supplication" (Acts 1:14). Six times throughout the year we will have the wonderful opportunity to pray to our great God regarding His church at East Charlotte Pres. Please join us this afternoon so that you can be a part of this special time to pray for one another. When: Sunday, September 20th, 2:30-4pm. Where: 1340 Carolyn Dr. 28205.

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.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

SEP 20	PRAYER MEETING
SEP 20	REMAINING LIFEGROUP KICKOFFS
SEP 21	DEACONS MEETING
SEP 22	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
SEP 25	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
SEP 26	OFFICERS & WIVES RETREAT
SEP 28	SESSION MEETING
SEP 29	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 02	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
OCT 04	LORD'S SUPPER
OCT 06	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 09	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
OCT 13	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 16	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
OCT 18	LORD'S SUPPER
OCT 18	VISITORS LUNCH

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

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SONG OF RESPONSE

IN THE CROSS OF CHRIST I GLORY
J. Bowring | B. Moss

In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me,
Hopes deceive, and fears annoy,
Never shall the cross forsake me,
Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance streaming
Adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure,
By the cross are sanctified;
Peace is there that knows no measure,
Joys that through all time abide.

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

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

SCRIPTURE READING

ANTHONY PITEO

Psalm 51:1-12

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

GRACE GREATER THAN OUR SIN
J.H. Johnston | D. B. Towner

Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilled

Sin and despair, like the sea waves cold, threaten the soul with infinite loss
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the refuge, the mighty cross

chorus

Grace God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin

Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, what can avail to wash it away?
Look! There is flowing a crimson tide, brighter than snow you may be today

Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe!
You that are longing to see His face, will you this moment His grace receive?

chorus 2

Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that will pardon and cleanse within
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust is Jesus' name

chorus

*Christ alone, Cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm He is Lord
Lord of All*

When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil
My anchor holds within the veil

When he shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the 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

DEACON, MR. MIKE SCHNEE

CORNERSTONE
W.B. Bradbury, E. Lijero, R. Morgan, E. Mote



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

“THE COST OF RECLAIMING & RESTORING A SINNER”

2 SAMUEL 12:1-15

I. A PARABLE (VV.1-6)

II. IT'S PERSONAL (VV.7-10)

III. A PROFOUND PRICE (VV.11-15)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) What stories have had a surgical effect on you (i.e. they subdued you and gave you glimpse of what you really look like)?
- 2) Do you have a vending machine view of forgiveness (i.e. you put in your penitence token and out pops an assurance of pardon)?
- 3) How is the vending machine view of forgiveness different from the intensely and infinitely personal view of forgiveness revealed to us in Scripture?
- 4) What's your motivation for not sinning? (e.g. It makes you look good? You're afraid of getting caught? OR ...You hate the prospect of grieving the heart of the God who paid an infinite price to save you from damnation?).