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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 (1201 ROBINHOOD CIR) 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, OCTOBER 4TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MRS. HOLLY BLACKMAN

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF PRAISE

MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING LESS

E. Mote | W.B. Bradbury

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

chorus

*On Christ the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand*

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

His oath, His covenant, His blood
Support me in the whelming flood
When all around my soul gives way
He then is all my hope and stay

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

SCRIPTURE READING

MRS. JILL PEREIRA

Romans 5:1-11

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IN EAST CHARLOTTE? — East Charlotte Pres is seeking to build a collaborative task force with the purpose and vision of starting a Christian school in the Albemarle Road corridor. If you have any interest in investigating and/or participating in this endeavor, please contact Jason Piteo (704-323-8389), or Phil (704-650-0560) and Mimi Henderson (704-65-3792).

NURSERY NEEDS — Looking to get plugged in and make some friends (big and small) at ECPC? We are looking for 6 people who would like to serve in the nursery in the 1st hour (9:30 - 10:30) during adult Sunday School. This would be supervising children from 1 to 4 years old. We are also looking for 5 more volunteers for the nursery during the church hour. Your role is simply to love the children and keep them safe. The curriculum planning and teaching will be done by a team of teaching volunteers. Both of these commitments are for just one time per month.

VISITORS LUNCH — There will be a gathering of ECPC people for what we currently call a "visitors lunch" at the **Piteo Residence** (6823 Wagon Oak Rd, 28212) after church on **October 18th**. Everyone, visitors & members alike, is welcome to join us, so please mark your calendars today!

ROOTS CLASS — Would you like to learn more about our church or are you interested in pursuing membership? If so, please join us for our Roots Class scheduled for Friday, October 23rd from 7-10pm @ the **Piteo Residence** (6823 Wagon Oak Rd, 28212). 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.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

OCT 06	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 09	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (6AM @ 1016 TIMBER LAKE DR, 28227)
OCT 13	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 16	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (6AM @ 1016 TIMBER LAKE DR, 28227)
OCT 18	LORD'S SUPPER
OCT 18	VISITORS LUNCH (6823 WAGON OAK DR, 28212)
OCT 19	DEACONS MEETING
OCT 20	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 23	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (6AM @ 1016 TIMBER LAKE DR, 28227)
OCT 23	ROOTS CLASS (7PM @ 6823 WAGON OAK RD, 28212)
OCT 26	SESSION MEETING

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. JASON PITEO

SONG OF RESPONSE

IN CHRIST ALONE

K. Getty, S. Townsend

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 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*)

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

PENSIVE DOUBTING FEARFUL HEART

J. Newton | C. Wells

Pensive, doubting, fearful heart, Hear what Christ the Savior says
Every word should joy impart, Change thy mourning into praise
Yes, He speaks and speaks to thee, May He help thee to believe
Then thou presently will see, Thou has little cause to grieve

Fear thou not, nor be ashamed, All thy sorrows soon shall end
I, who heaven and earth have framed, Am thy Husband and thy Friend
I, the High and Holy One, Israel's God, by all adored
As thy Savior will be known, Thy Redeemer and thy Lord

For a moment I withdrew, And thy heart was filled with pain
But my mercies I'll renew, Thou shall soon rejoice again
Though I seem to hide my face, Very soon my wrath shall cease
'Tis but for a moment's space, Ending in eternal peace

Though afflicted, tempest tossed, Comfortless awhile thou art
Do not think thou can be lost, Thou art graven on my heart
All thy wastes I will repair, Thou shalt be rebuilt anew
And in thee it shall appear, What the God of love can do

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

RULING ELDER, MR. BRETT BONNEMA



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

“WHOLE HOPE”

2 SAMUEL 14:1-15:12

I. HALF HOPE

II. NO HOPE

III. WHOLE HOPE

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) Do you struggle with cynicism, doubt, distrust, or pessimism? How does it manifest in your life?
- 2) Have you ever decided to stop waiting on God and take matters into your own hands? What's the story and how did things turn out for you?
- 3) Who are you better than? ...If you had to make your case in the presence of God, how would you lay out your argument?
- 4) What are 3 ways you could pour your energy into depending on God (Whose justice and timing are perfect)? [see Hebrews 4:11]
- 5) Next time you're feeling hopeless how might fixing your eyes on Christ crucified help you to harbor whole hope?