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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 18TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MS. CHRISTINE YOST

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONGS OF PRAISE

WHOM SHALL I FEAR?

C. Tomlin, E. Cash, S. Cash

You hear me when I call / You are my morning song
Though darkness fills the night it cannot hide the light
Whom shall I fear?
You crush the enemy underneath my feet
You are my sword and shield though troubles linger still
Whom shall I fear?

chorus

*I know who goes before me / I know who stands behind
The God of angel armies is always by my side
The One who reigns forever / He is a friend of mine
The God of angel armies is always by my side*

My strength is in Your name for You alone can save
You will deliver me, Yours is the victory
Whom shall I fear? Whom shall I fear?

bridge

Nothing formed against me shall stand
You hold the whole world in Your hands
I'm holding on to Your promises
You are faithful, You are faithful
Nothing formed against me shall stand
You hold the whole world in Your hands
I'm holding on to Your promises
You are faithful, You are faithful, You are faithful

IMMORTAL, INVISIBLE, GOD ONLY WISE

Traditional Welsh ballad, W. C. Smith

Immortal, invisible, God only wise
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of Days
Almighty, Victorious, Thy great name we praise

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

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 **today**. Everyone, visitors & members alike, is welcome to join us, so please join us!

THE ROADIES NEED HELP! — The roadies team is in need of 2 men (1 on 2nd Sundays, and 1 on 4th Sundays) to step-up and become part of the monthly set-up rotation, starting in November. This is a great opportunity to get more involved at ECPC. Set-up begins at 8am, takes 60-90 minutes, & tends to be less frantic than tear-down, affording more opportunity to fellowship with the other roadies. If you see yourself moving from a tear-down ninja to one who might lead a weekly roadies rotation (both set-up/teardown), this is a good next step.

CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TASK FORCE — 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). **Update:** We will be having an information & brainstorming meeting on Thursday, Oct. 22, 7:30pm @ the **Henderson Residence** (5427 Gristmill Ln).

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.

FALL FESTIVAL — Join us October 25th, 4:30-6:30pm at **Hodges Farm** (3900 Rocky River Road) for a fun evening of fall fellowship and food! Look for a sign up genius soon, and make your favorite dish to share. Please see Jill Pereira with any questions.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

OCT 18	VISITORS LUNCH (6823 WAGON OAK DR, 28212)
OCT 20	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 22	CHRISTIAN SCHOOL TASK FORCE MEETING
OCT 23	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (6AM @ 1016 TIMBER LAKE DR, 28227)
OCT 23	ROOTS CLASS (7PM @ 6823 WAGON OAK RD, 28212)
OCT 25	FALL FESTIVAL @ HODGES FARM (3900 ROCKY RIVER RD)
OCT 27	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES
OCT 30	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY (6AM @ 1016 TIMBER LAKE DR, 28227)

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

REV. JASON PITEO

SONG OF RESPONSE

LET US LOVE AND SING AND WONDER

J. Newton | L. Taylor

Let us love, and sing, and wonder, Let us praise the Savior's name
He has hushed the law's loud thunder, He has quenched Mount Sinai's flame
He has washed us with his blood, He has washed us with his blood
He has washed us with his blood, He has brought us nigh to God

Let us love the Lord who bought us, Pitied us when enemies
Called us by his grace, and taught us, Gave us ears and gave us eyes
He has washed us with his blood, He has washed us with his blood
He has washed us with his blood, He presents our souls to God

Let us sing though fierce temptation, Threatens hard to bear us down
For the Lord, our strong salvation, Holds in view the conqueror's crown
He who washed us with His blood, He who washed us with His blood
He who washed us with His blood, Soon will bring us home to God

Let us wonder, grace and justice, Join, and point to mercy's store
When through grace in Christ our trust is, Justice smiles, and asks no more
He who washed us with his blood, He who washed us with his blood
He who washed us with his blood, Has secured our way to God

Let us praise, and join the chorus, Of the saints enthroned on high
Here they trusted him before us, Now their praises fill the sky
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, Thou hast washed us with thy blood
Thou hast washed us with thy blood, Thou art worthy, Lamb of God

BENEDICTION

REV. TYLER DIRKS

— MISSIONS UPDATE —

Laura Neal has begun her ministry in the "Far East" of Charlotte. And as she says, life has been a "whirlwind" for her first 2 months, working with the Urban Eagles. She is very thankful for the generous support that she has received. It has greatly encouraged her. Her days are filled with ministry training classes, coaching soccer and hosting a girls Bible study. She especially has been encouraged in watching some of the girls who attend these Bible studies explain what they have learned to the new girls that come. Watching them grow is a blessing. Please pray for Laura in these specific ways: continual growth for the Bible study girls, her apartment to be a "lighthouse" for the community and strength as she adjusts to full time ministry.

Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light
Nor wanting, nor wasting, Thou rulest in might
Thy justice like mountains high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains of goodness and love

To all life Thou givest, to both great and small
In all life Thou livest, the true life of all
We blossom and flourish as leaves on the tree
And wither and perish but naught changeth Thee

Great father of glory, pure Father of light
Thine angels adore Thee, all veiling their sight
All praise we would render; O help us to see
'Tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee

SCRIPTURE READING

MR. MICHAEL DOMRAS

Galatians 3:11-13

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

JESUS I AM RESTING RESTING

D.B. Hampton | J.S. Pigott

Jesus I am resting, resting, In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness, Of Thy loving heart
Thou hast bid me gaze upon Thee, And Thy beauty fills my soul
For by Thy transforming power, Thou hast made me whole

chorus

*Jesus I am resting, resting, In the joy of what Thou art
I am finding out the greatness, Of Thy loving heart*

Oh how great Thy loving kindness, Vaster broader than the sea
Oh how marvelous Thy goodness, Lavished all on me
Yes I rest in Thee Beloved, Know what wealth of grace is Thine
Know the certainty of promise, And have made it mine

Simply trusting Thee Lord Jesus, I behold Thee as Thou art
And Thy love so pure so changeless, satisfies my heart
Satisfies its deepest longings, Meets supplies its ev'ry need
Surrounding me with blessings, Thine is love indeed

Ever lift Thy face upon me, As I work and wait for Thee
Resting 'neath Thy smile, Lord Jesus, Earth's dark shadows flee
Brightness of my Father's glory, Sunshine of my Father's face
Keep me ever trusting, resting, Fill me with Thy grace

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

GUIDE ME O THOU GREAT JEHOVAH
W. Williams | J. Casella

Guide me, O Thou great Jehovah / Pilgrim through this barren land
I am weak, but Thou art mighty / Hold me with Thy powerful hand
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore
Bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore

Open now the crystal fountain / Whence the healing waters flow
Let the fire and cloudy pillar / Lead me all my journey through
Strong Deliverer, be Thou still my Strength and Shield
Strong Deliverer, be Thou still my Strength and Shield

When I tread the verge of Jordan / Bid my anxious fears subside
Death of deaths, and hell's destruction / Land me safe on Canaan's side
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee
Songs of praises, I will ever give to Thee

Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fear
Land me safe on Canaan's side
Bid my anxious fears, bid my anxious fears, goodbye

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. BRAD CRAVER



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

“ENMITY”

2 SAMUEL 16:1-23

- I. AMBULANCE CHASERS (VV.1-4)
- II. ANGRY MOB (VV.5-14)
- III. AGGRAVATED ASSAULT (VV.20-23)
- IV. A FRIEND AMIDST THE ENMITY (VV.15-19)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) What are 3 ways you act like Ziba (i.e. you manipulate, angle, and attempt to engineer things in such a way so that you come out looking like “The Good Guy,” and/or bend the benefits toward yourself)? Read Luke 14:12-14 and talk to Jesus about it.
- 2) When was a time you nursed a personal vendetta and sought revenge as if it were your responsibility to exact vengeance? ...simply put, when was a time you made someone pay! ?
- 3) What do you choose to believe about God's response to your curses & adultery against Him? (i.e. can God REALLY forgive you for crucifying Him and making Him a cuckold?)
- 4) Tell a family member or a friend about a time when you truly had faith, and hope, that your friend Jesus was alive and at work conquering evil and compelling you to continue your pilgrimage through this barren land on your way toward the celestial city.