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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, AUGUST 30TH, 2015

SERMON SERIES:



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

MS. CHRISTINE YOST

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF PRAISE

JOYFUL, JOYFUL WE ADORE THEE

H. Van Dyke, L. von Beethoven, T. Austin, C. Hall

Joyful, joyful we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love
Hearts unfold like flow'rs before Thee, Opening to the sun above
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness, Drive the dark of doubt away
Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day

All Thy works with joy surround Thee Earth and heaven reflect Thy rays
Stars and angels sing around Thee, Center of unbroken praise
Field and forest, vale and mountain; Flowery meadow flashing sea
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Call us to rejoice in Thee

Thou art giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest
Wellspring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest
Thou our Father, Christ our brother, All who live in love are Thine
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy divine

Mortals join the mighty chorus, Which the Morning Stars began
Father love is reigning o'er us, Brother love binds man to man
Ever singing march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife
Joyful music lifts us sunward, In the triumph song of life

SONG OF CONFESSION

COME YE SINNERS

J. Hart | M. S. Smith

Come ye sinners poor and wretched / Weak and wounded, sick and sore
Jesus ready stands to save you / Full of pity joined with power
He is able, He is able / He is willing doubt no more

Come ye needy, come and welcome / God's free bounty glorify
True belief and true repentance / Every grace that brings you nigh
Without money, without money / Come to Jesus Christ and buy

Come ye weary heavy laden / Bruised and broken by the fall
If you tarry till you're better / You will never come at all
Not the righteous, not the righteous / Sinners Jesus came to call

— ANNOUNCEMENTS —

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 a different example of a great leader and follower each week.

SPECIAL SERVICE NEXT SUNDAY NIGHT — Please mark your calendars to attend

our particularization service & celebration. At this service, we will ordain and install our officers and install pastors as we become a self-governing church. The service will be from 6:00 - 7:30pm on September 6th @ J.H. Gunn with a reception at the Dirks' residence (1016 Timber Lake Dr) immediately following. Children are welcome to attend and the nursery will be open. Please join us for this momentous event in the life of our church!

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 fall goodies. A sign-up genius and more information will be coming soon.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

AUG 30	MISSIONS LUNCH w/ THE VICKERYS (@ 1506 Emerald Lake Dr)
SEP 04	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
SEP 06	LORD'S SUPPER
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

SACRAMENT OF THE LORD’S SUPPER

REV. TYLER DIRKS

Let not conscience make you linger / Nor of fitness fondly dream
All the fitness He requires / Is to feel your need of Him
This He gives you, this He gives you / 'Tis the Spirit's rising beam

SONG OF RESPONSE

FOR ALL THE SAINTS

W. H. How | C. Miner

Lo The Incarnate God ascended / Pleads the merit of His blood
Venture on Him venture wholly / Let no other trust intrude
None but Jesus, none but Jesus / Can do helpless sinners good

For all the saints who from their labors rest
Who thee by faith before the world confessed
Thy name, O Jesus, be forever blest // Alleluia! Allelu

Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well-fought fight
Thou in the darkness drear, their one true light // Alleluia! Allelu

O may Thy soldiers, faithful, true and bold
Fight as the saints who nobly fought of old
And win with them the victor's crown of gold // Alleluia! Allelu

The golden evening brightens in the west
Soon, soon to faithful warriors comes their rest
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blessed // Alleluia, Allelu

O blest communion, fellowship divine
We feebly struggle; they in glory shine
Yet all are one in Thee, for all are Thine // Alleluia! Allelu

But then there breaks a yet more glorious day
The saints triumphant rise in bright array
The King of glory passes on His way // Alleluia! Alleluia!

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

GRACE AND PEACE
J. Sczebel

Grace and peace, oh how can this be
For lawbreakers and thieves, for the worthless, the least
You have said that our judgment is death
For all eternity without hope, without rest
Oh, what an amazing mystery, what an amazing mystery
That Your grace has come to me

Grace and peace, oh how can this be?
The matchless King of all paid the blood price for me
Slaughtered lamb, what atonement You bring!
The vilest sinner's heart can be cleansed, can be free
Oh, what an amazing mystery, what an amazing mystery
That Your grace has come to me

Grace and peace, oh how can this be?
Let songs of gratefulness ever rise, never cease
Loved by God and called as a saint
My heart is satisfied in the riches of Christ
Oh, what an amazing mystery, what an amazing mystery
That Your grace has come to me

Oh, what an amazing love I see, what an amazing love I see
That Your grace has come to me

BENEDICTION

REV. MICAH VICKERY

— MISSIONS UPDATE —

Here's a recent update from Michael Whitham, RUF campus minister at Johnson & Wales University: "I am excited about ministering on campus this coming year. I spent the summer writing sermons, planning bible studies, meeting with students, and raising funds. We are set to have most of our involved students return this year which puts us in a good place for outreach. We plan to have all of our returning students at our welcome events to invite freshman to RUF.

Last year the campus asked us to hold a worship service during the first week of class to highlight 'spiritual life' on campus. The event was a success last year and they asked us to host it again! Pray for us as we hold on campus services, evangelize the lost, and invite students in Christian community. Pray that we would see students come to faith and grow in their walk with the Lord."

TESTIMONY

MR. JD SHOTWELL

GIVING OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

SONG OF PREPARATION

Brothers, let us come together
Walking in the Spirit, there's much to be done
We will come reaching, out from our com-forts
And they will know us by our love

Sisters, we were made for kindness
We can pierce the darkness as He shines through us
We will come reaching, with a song of hea-ling
And they will know us by our love!

chorus

*The time is now, come church arise
See with His hands, see with His eyes
Bind it around you, let it never leave you
And they will know us by our love*

Children, you are hope for justice
Stand firm in the truth now, set your hearts above
You will be reaching, long after we're gone
And they will know you by your love

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

BY OUR LOVE
C. Nockels

MR. MIKE SCHNEE

PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. MICAH VICKERY

“SPIRIT PLANTED UNITY”

EPHESIANS 3:20–4:6

I. GOD: SOIL OF UNITY

II. GOSPEL: ROOT OF UNITY

III. GROWTH: SPROUT OF UNITY

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- 1) How can you celebrate our unity in the gospel such that it becomes our aim and delight?
- 2) What practical steps can you take to pursue unity at ECPC? Could you simply to say hello or get lunch with someone from ECPC who is not a “natural” friend? Should you view the worship service as a team event rather than thinking about it as a “my preference” event?
- 3) Do you need to repent of pride, harshness or a self-centeredness with your church family?