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WHILE WE ARE NOT OFFERING A NURSERY AT THIS TIME, WE HAVE MADE A SPACE IN THE MODULE WITH A LIVESTREAM OF THE SERVICE, COUCHES, AND A DIAPER CHANGING CART. PLEASE USE THIS SPACE AS NEEDED.

*East Charlotte Pres is a church that strives to be defined by the Gospel-
inviting everyone to See, Savor, and Serve Jesus as the Author & Perfecter of our faith.*

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ORDER OF WORSHIP

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10TH, 2021



WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

LAURA SMITH (9AM)
HOLLY BLACKMAN (11AM)

CALL TO WORSHIP

REV. TYLER DIRKS

SONG OF PRAISE

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

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

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

PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY
C. Winkworth | J. Neander, C. Nockels, N. Nockels

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation
O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation
All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near
Praise Him in glad adoration

Praise to the Lord, Who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth
Shelters thee under His wings, yea, so gently sustaineth
Hast thou not seen how thy desires e'er have been
Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, Who doth prosper thy work and defend thee
Surely His goodness and mercy here daily attend thee
Ponder anew what the Almighty can do
If with His love He befriend thee

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him
Let the Amen sound from His people again
Gladly for aye we adore Him

- ANNOUNCEMENTS -

YOUTH GROUP AT ECPC - The goal of youth group at ECPC is to instill three things in our students: a love for Christ, a love for the Church, and a love for their Community. Mark your calendars for our upcoming youth events beginning with a Welcome Back Bonfire on Wednesday, January 20, 2021 from 6:30- 8 pm at ECPC. The first official youth group meeting of 2021 will be Wednesday, January 27 from 6:30-8 pm at ECPC. For more information about youth group or would like to be added to the Youth Group Google Group, please see Joel May (jprmay93@gmail.com).

- LIFE GROUPS 2021 -

PEREIRA/SCHNEE [1201 Robinhood Cir, Charlotte, NC 28227]
Sundays post church (beginning Jan 10)

TOPIC: *Gentle and Lowly: The Heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers* by Dane Ortlund.

SMITH/MAY [3623 South Downs Trail, Charlotte NC 28215]
Sundays 5-7 pm

TOPIC: The Secret to Joy, Hope, & Relational Confidence: "Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy: Discovering The Grace of Lament"

HAWKES/DIRKS [1016 Timber Lake Dr. CLT NC 28227]
Sundays 5-7 pm

TOPIC: Devoted to the Apostles Teaching

BLACKMAN/PARMAN [5422 Mallard Drive S CLT, NC 28227]
Thursdays 6-8 pm

TOPIC: How To Study The Bible: J-Curve [Dying & Rising With Jesus In Everyday Life]

CLARK [12001 Stoney Meadow, Mint Hill NC 28227]
Sundays 5:00-7:30 pm

TOPIC: Christ in the Covenants

- UPCOMING EVENTS -

JAN 15 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
JAN 17 SUNDAY WORSHIP
JAN 20 YOUTH GROUP BONFIRE
JAN 22 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY
JAN 24 SUNDAY WORSHIP
JAN 27 YOUTH GROUP

SONG OF RESPONSE

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry in the dawning of the King
He the theme of heaven's praises, robed in frail humanity
In our longing in our darkness now the light of life has come
Look to Christ who condescended, took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, He the perfect Son of Man
In His living in His suffering, never trace nor stain of sin
See the true and better Adam come to save the hell-bound man
Christ the great and sure fulfillment of the law in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry, Christ the Lord upon the tree
In the stead of ruined sinners hangs the Lamb in victory
See the price of our redemption, see the Father's plan unfold
Bringing many sons to glory, grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord He is alive!
What a foretaste of deliv'rance, how unwavering our hope
Christ in power resurrected as will we be when He comes
Come behold the wondrous myst'ry slain by death the God of life
But no grave could e'er restrain Him, praise the Lord He is alive!

BENEDICTION

COME BEHOLD THE WONDROUS MYSTERY

M. Boswell, M. Papa, M. Bleecker

REV. TYLER DIRKS

CONFESSION OF SIN

JOEL MAY

Father, in this world full of distractions and temptations, we constantly fail and sin against you. We spend more time on our screens than we do in your Word. We spend more money and energy trying to make ourselves happy than we do trying to live out your command to reach people with the gospel of your Son. We try to find rest in things that only make us more tired. Instead of praying, "Thy will be done," we pray, "Leave me alone and let me have control over this part of my life." Instead of eagerly waiting for you to work in the world, we get bored and turn to other solutions to our problems. Please forgive us, in Jesus' name.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

1 JOHN 3:18-20, 23

SONG OF THANKSGIVING

HIS MERCY IS MORE

M. Boswell | M. Papa

What love could remember no wrongs we have done
Omniscient, all knowing, he counts not their sum
Thrown into a sea without bottom or shore
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

chorus

Praise the Lord

His mercy is more

Stronger than darkness, new every morn

Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What patience would wait as we constantly roam
What father, so tender, is calling us home
He welcomes the weakest, the vilest, the poor
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

What riches of kindness he lavished on us
His blood was the payment, his life was the cost
We stood 'neath a debt we could never afford
Our sins they are many, his mercy is more

SONG OF PREPARATION

Abide with me / Fast falls the eventide
The darkness deepens / Lord with me abide
When other helpers / Fail and comforts flee
Help of the helpless / Abide with me

Thou on my head in / Early youth did smile
And, though rebellious / And perverse meanwhile
Thou hast not left me / Though I oft left Thee
On to the close Lord / Abide with me

I need Thy presence / Every passing hour
What but Thy grace can / Foil the tempter's power
Who, like Thyself my / Guide and stay can be
Through cloud and sunshine / Abide with me

I fear no foe / With Thee at hand to bless
Ills have no weight / Tears lose their bitterness
Where is thy sting death / Where grave thy victory
I triumph still / Abide with me

Hold Thou Thy cross / Before my closing eyes
Shine through the gloom and / Point me to the skies
Heav'n's morning breaks and / Earth's vain shadows flee
In life, in death, Lord / Abide with me

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.

PASTORAL PRAYER

ABIDE WITH ME
H. Lyte | J. Smith

ALEX PARMAN



PREACHING OF THE WORD

REV. TYLER DIRKS

“HAVING A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD”

LUKE 22:35-46

I. REALLY RELYING ON GOD

II. WRESTLE WITH GOD

- REFLECTION QUESTIONS -

- 1) How has the fact that God is out of your league caused you to keep your distance and reduce your interactions with God to a formula or checklist?
- 2) How does fear of feeling out of control cause you to over-indulge and rely on money and guns?
- 3) How does fear of failure make you hesitant to take initiative and responsibility?
- 4) How have you confused fear of failing God with the fear of God?
- 5) When was a time you actually embraced the Word of God as alive, active, and deeply/ personally piercing?
- 6) How do you think about prayer? Take a moment to personally adopt the honest/raw language of Psalm 38. How would you describe your comfort level when thoroughly participating in the command to pray the Words of this Psalm?
- 7) How is God currently disciplining you to endure (Heb. 12:7), and compelling you to say, “Thy will be done”?