

Calendar for this Week:

Today	9:15am	Sunday School
	10:05am	Fellowship & Refreshments
	10:30am	Worship Service
	6:00pm	Berkshire Care Group at the Wood's home (Rob Woods, 659-3248)
Monday	7:00pm	Stafford Lakes Care Group at the Murphy's home (James Murphy, 752-6118)
Tuesday	7:00pm	Women's Discipleship. Meets every other Tuesday at 7pm at the home of Anna Best. Read Chapter 4 of <u>By Design</u> . (Amy Bailey, 720-4089)
Thursday	7:00pm	Praise Team at the Griffin's (Pete Griffin, 286-1821)
Friday	7:00pm	Edinburgh Care Group at the Jany's home (Paul Jany, 891-1118)

Upcoming Events:

Last Sunday Of Month Communion Sunday followed by a potluck lunch at H.H. Poole. Please bring food to share. Drinks provided.

Nursery Schedule:

Katie Murphy, 752-6118

Nov. 2 Sunday School: J. Jany/ P. Jany/S. Griffin
Worship: P. Griffin/K. Hamill/A. DiDomenico

Nov. 9 Sunday School: J. Jany/S. Leino/W. Turner
Worship: J. Jany/M. Wright/M. Turner

Birthdays this week:

Vincent DiDomenico-11/2

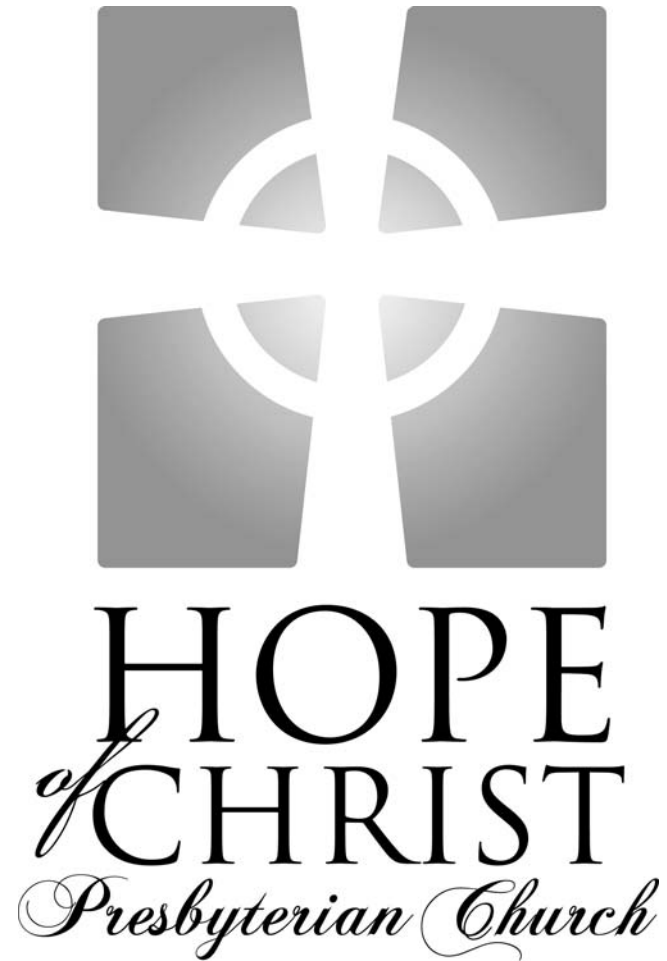
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Knowing Jesus Christ

Growing in grace

Going into the world with hope

**"For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on
the living God, who is the Savior of all people."**

I Timothy 4:10

Sunday Service Times:

Adult & Children's Sunday School: 9:15 – 10:05am
Worship Service: 10:30 – 11:45am

Song of Gathering

November 2, 2008

O Day of Rest and Gladness

Words by Christopher Wordsworth, 1862, Music by Christopher Miner, 1997

O day of rest and gladness, O day of joy and light,
O balm of care and sadness, most beautiful, most bright:
On Thee, the high and lowly, through ages joined in tune,
Sing holy, holy, holy, to the great God Triune.

*On Thee, at the creation, the light first had its birth;
On Thee, for our salvation, Christ rose from depths of earth;
On Thee, our Lord, victorious, the Spirit sent from heaven,
And thus on Thee, most glorious, a triple light was given.*

New graces ever gaining from this, our day of rest,
We reach the rest remaining to spirits of the blessed.
To Holy ghost be praises to Father, and to Son;
The church her voice upraises to Thee, blessed Three in One.

Welcome and Announcements

Meditation

Hebrews 12:18-24

For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire and darkness and gloom and a tempest and the sound of a trumpet and a voice whose words made the hearers beg that no further messages be spoken to them. For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned." Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear." But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

Call to Worship

Hebrews 1:1-3

Leader: Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets,

People: but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.

Leader: He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power.

People: After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high.

Song of Response

What E'er My God Ordains is Right

Words by Samuel Rodigastand, 1700, Music by David Braud, 1998

What e'er my God ordains is right,
Holy His will abideth.
I will be still what e'er He does,
And follow where He guideth.
He is my God,
Though dark my road.
He holds me that I shall not fall
Wherefore to Him I leave it all

*What e'er my God ordains is right,
He never will deceive me
He leads me by the proper path,
I know He will not leave me
I take, content,
What He hath sent
His hand can turn my griefs away
And patiently I wait His day*

What e'er my God ordains is right,
Though now this cup in drinking
May bitter seem to my faint heart,
I take it all unshrinking
My God is true,
Each morn anew
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart
And pain and sorrow shall depart

*What e'er my God ordains is right,
Here shall my stand be taken
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine,
Yet I am not forsaken
My Father's care
Is round me there
He holds me that I shall not fall
And so to Him I leave it all*

Benediction

Sermon

Acts 19.21-41

Pastor Leonard Bailey

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Planning vs. Plans and the Insight of Robert Burns

*But Mousie, thou are no thy-lane,
In proving foresight may be vain:
The best laid schemes o' Mice an' Men,
Gang aft agley,
An' lea'e us nought but grief an' pain,
For promis'd joy!*

Man Proposes – Paul's plans to visit Jerusalem (vv 21-22)

*But God Disposes – circumstances and providences that impact plans
(vv. 23-41)*

Application – God and your plans:

*Still, thou art blest, compar'd wi' me!
The present only toucheth thee:
But Och! I backward cast my e'e,
On prospects drear!
An' forward, tho' I canna see,
I guess an' fear!*

Songs of Praise

Join, Every Tongue, To Sing & Praise

Words by Joseph Hart, 1712-1768; Music by Robert Turner, 2008

Join, every tongue, to sing and praise
The mercies of our Lord ;
The love of Christ, our God and King,
Let every heart record.
He saved us from the wrath of God,
And paid our ransom with his blood.
Join, every tongue, to sing and praise
The mercies of our Lord;

*What wondrous grace was this, was this!
We sinned; and Jesus died:
He wrought our perfect righteousness,
And we were justified:
We ran the score to lengths extreme,
And all our debt was charged on him.
Join, every tongue, to sing and praise
The mercies of our Lord;*

Hell was our just desert,
And he that hell endured;
Our guilt broke his guiltless heart
With wrath that we incurr'd;
We bruised his body, spilt his blood,
And both became our heavenly food.
Join, every tongue, to sing and praise
The mercies of our Lord;

Repeat verse 1

Thy Mercy My God

Words by John Stoker; Music by Sandra McCracken

Thy mercy my God is the theme of my song
the joy of my heart and the boast of my tongue
thy free grace alone from the first to the last
hath won my affection and bound my soul fast

*Without thy sweet mercy I could not live here
sin would reduce me to utter despair
but through thy free goodness my spirits revived
and he that first made me so keeps me alive*

Thy mercy is more than a match for my heart
which wonders to feel it's heartless depart
dissolved by thy goodness I fall to the ground
and weep for the praise of the mercy I've found

*Great father of mercies, thy goodness I own
and the covenant love of thy crucified son
all praise to the spirit whose whisper divine
seals mercy and pardon and righteousness mine*

Responsive Reading

Psalm 32

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Song of Confession

A Sinner Cries to Thee

Words by Samuel Medley, 1738-1799, Music by Robert Turner, 2008

Hear, gracious God, a sinner's cry,
For I have no where else to fly;
My hope, my only hope's in Thee;"
O God, be merciful to me!"

*To Thee I come, a sinner poor,
And wait for mercy at Thy door;
Indeed, I've no where else to flee;"
O God, be merciful to me!"*

To Thee I come, a sinner weak,
And scarce know how to pray or speak;
From fear and weakness set me free;"
O God, be merciful to me!"

*To Thee I come, a sinner great,
And well Thou knowest all my state;
Yet full forgiveness is with Thee;"
O God, be merciful to me!"*

To Thee I come, a sinner lost,
Nor have I aught wherein to trust;
But where Thou art, my Lord, I'd be;"
O God, be merciful to me!"

*To glory bring me, Lord, at last,
And there, when all my fears are past,
With all Thy saints I'll then agree,
My God has shown mercy to me!*

Assurance of Pardoning Grace

Psalm 32:1-2

*Blessed is the one whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
Blessed is the man against whom the Lord counts no iniquity, and in whose
spirit there is no deceit.*

Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Song of Thanksgiving

Be Thou My Vision

Words: Ancient Irish Hymn, Music: Traditional Irish Melody

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night,
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

*Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true Word;
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord;
Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.*

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,
Thou mine inheritance, now and always:
Thou and Thou only, first in my heart,
High king of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

*High king of heaven, my victory won,
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun!
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be my vision, O Ruler of All.*

Prayer for the Kingdom