

Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church of New Haven!

As a church committed to Greater New Haven, we hope to serve and reach both downtown New Haven and the surrounding edge towns. We believe that the gospel transcends all ethnic, social, and demographic boundaries. We are ambitious for the glory of God and aim to extend a Christ-centered gospel throughout Greater New Haven.



We want to connect with you so please take the time to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pews and place it in the offering basket or return it to the Welcome Table. You may also include a prayer request on the reverse side. Your requests are prayed for during the week. Also, visit the Welcome Table for a Welcome Brochure!



We value families worshipping together and welcome children of all ages to join us in worship at their parents' discretion (see the booklet "Together in God's Presence" at the children's ministry table). Childcare is available for parents who wish to take advantage of it. Look for this icon in the bulletin to know when to drop off and pick up your children. Supplementary children's sermon material is available in the foyer.



When parking on Sundays please reserve our parking lot for visitors, parents with small children, and those who need to park closer. Two Yale parking lots north of the church on Whitney Ave. are available to us also. Lot 16: Gibbs Lab at Whitney Ave. and Humphrey St., and the Whitney Ave. Garage located behind 221 Whitney Ave. For safety, exit our lot on the Bradley St. side only.



We highly recommend that you participate bodily in worship, however, when necessity or mercy requires, you may access a live stream video of our full service at cpcnewhaven.org/live. You may also view a recorded version or listen to our sermons at cpcnewhaven.org/sermons. We do believe that there is a mystical communion of Christ in heaven with the body of Christ on earth by the Holy Spirit when you participate in person in worship.

PROTOCOLS FOR ATTENDING WORSHIP

Covid-19 Re-Opening as of 5/19/21: All are welcome to attend worship following these protocols. In order to allow more people to attend, we will be using both the Sanctuary and a re-imagined worship space in the Fellowship Hall (with a direct audio/video feed of the sanctuary on a big screen).

Prior to Arrival

- Use conscience to determine whether you in good faith are comfortable attending.
- Take your temperature at home and do not attend if you have a fever or are symptomatic (cough, shortness of breath, fever).
- If you test positive for Covid-19 and have attended any church event, please alert us (email Sr. Pastor preston.graham@cpcnewhaven.org and Operations Coordinator annie.mchugh@cpcnewhaven.org).
- Bring layers to wear for your own temperature control, we will have the doors and windows open to aid with air flow as well as the HVAC system running with HEPA filters (we will simultaneously run the heat/AC as needed).

Upon Arrival

- Use hand sanitizer before you enter the building, or upon entry.
- Use the main foyer entrance..

Outdoors

- No masks or social distancing are required for either those vaccinated or unvaccinated.

Indoors

- **Fully Vaccinated (2 weeks past final vaccination)/Covid Immunized:**
 - No masks generally indoors, including during worship in the Upstairs Sanctuary, at your own discretion
 - Masks required in the Fellowship Hall/Downstairs Sanctuary during worship
- **Not Vaccinated (in good faith, per state restrictions, you are encouraged to):**
 - Wear masks indoors including worship either Upstairs or Downstairs
- **Children/Childcare**
 - Nursery workers and unvaccinated children above two years old, per CDC guidelines, are expected to wear masks.

Worship

- **Upstairs Sanctuary:** Everyone is free to sit in the Upstairs Sanctuary (no social distancing required with the above mask policies per vaccination).
- **Downstairs Sanctuary:** Is reserved for those who wish to social distance with masks, such as those who have unvaccinated children and/or who don't wish to sit upstairs for whatever reason(s).
- **Communion:** Return to unrestricted distribution of Lord's Supper (no more plastic cups). Those who prepare communion must wear mask and gloves.
- **Livestream:** End the zoom option during worship, and only stream the service over YouTube.

Drawing Near To God

As we enter into a service carefully patterned after the logic of the gospel and the ancient temple worship, we are invited into communion with God in Christ through his Holy Spirit. We will participate in the movements of worship—which are illustrated in Revelation 4-5—as we praise God for who he is, fall to our knees as unworthy to be in his presence, receive the free reconciliation accomplished in Christ, and sing a “new” song. We are all personally invited to meet him as the Savior of sinners and gracious King of heaven and earth.

After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! Revelation 4:1



I. Rediscovering God's Glory

God's desire initiates an invitation into his presence. Through worship, we rediscover the holy otherness of God in his glory revealed through creation and salvation.

And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here...At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne...And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures...and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"
Revelation 4:1-2, 6-8

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 99:1-5, 9

Leader: The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

People: The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples.

Leader: Let them praise your great and awesome name! Holy is he! The King in his might loves justice. You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

People: Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

Leader: Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!

O WORSHIP THE KING

**O worship the King, all glorious above
O gratefully sing his power and his love
Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise**

**O tell of his might; O sing of his grace
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy space
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm
We lay down our crowns at the feet of the Lord
We lay down our crowns at the feet of the Lord
We lay down our crowns at the feet of the Lord who reigns
Who reigns!**

**Frail children of dust and feeble as frail
In you do we trust nor find you to fail
Your mercies how tender, how firm to the end
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend
Chorus**

**O measureless Might, unchangeable Love,
whom angels delight to worship above!
Your ransomed creation, with glory ablaze,
in true adoration shall sing to your praise!
Chorus**

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**We exalt Thee,
We exalt Thee,
We exalt Thee, O Lord!**

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II. Rediscovering God's Grace

Entering God's presence naturally leads us to face our sin, yet in Christ we do so both mournfully and courageously, with the knowledge that his abundant mercy awaits. God makes it safe to be honest, real, and transparent about our moral failures and brokenness because we have nothing to prove or hide in Christ.

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals... "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." Revelation 5:1-5

PEACE, LORD

**Peace, Lord
Grant us your peace, Lord
Peace, Lord
Grant us your peace, Lord**

**Not as the world gives,
But sure as your Son lives,
So may we have his peace with us.**

**The peace of your Word, God
We've read and we've heard, God
So may we now know, deep down in our bones, your voice alone.
Refrain**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Participants may kneel or lean forward.

Leader: Let us confess our sins to God, our Father.

People: **O Lord, our every sense, member, faculty and affection is a snare to us. We can hardly open our eyes without envying those above us, or despising those below.**

**Not as the world gives,
But sure as your Son lives,
So may we have his peace with us.**

**The peace of your Word, God
We've read and we've heard, God
So Spirit apply the blessings of Christ to each of our lives.
Refrain**

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People: We covet the honor and riches of the mighty, and are proud and unmerciful to the rags of others. If we behold beauty it tempts us to lust, or see deformity, it stirs up loathing and disdain; How soon do slanders, vain jests, and wanton speeches creep into our hearts! Forgive us our many sins for the sake of Christ, his obedience, his suffering and his glory. Amen.

In a word or short phrase, you may share a confession to God quietly or out loud, as directed.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in Him will be condemned." (Psalm 34:22)

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

**How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.**

**Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.**

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III. *Renewal in Christ's Word*

The preaching of the Word of God is the Word of God, wherein it becomes the very Word of God proclaimed and received by the illumination of the Holy Spirit to believers. This is not a lecture based on a dead letter, or a self-help talk, but an encounter with the living God in the flesh of his people.

And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song...
Revelation 5:6-9

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 13:6-8

New Testament: Matthew 18:1-14

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

SERMON

"The Esteemed Ones": A Very Different Perspective in Light of Eternity

Rev. Preston Graham

Matthew 18:1-14

¹ At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" ² And calling to him a child, he put him in the midst of them ³ and said, "Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. ⁴ Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. ⁵ "Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me, ⁶ but whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him to have a great millstone fastened around his neck and to be drowned in the depth of the sea. ⁷ "Woe to the world for temptations to sin! For it is necessary that temptations come, but woe to the one by whom the temptation comes! ⁸ And if your hand or your foot causes you to sin, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life crippled or lame than with two hands or two feet to be thrown into the eternal fire. ⁹ And if your eye causes you to sin, tear it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into the hell of fire. ¹⁰ "See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that in heaven their angels always see the face of my Father who is in heaven.

¹² What do you think? If a man has a hundred sheep, and one of them has gone astray, does he not leave the ninety-nine on the mountains and go in search of the one that went astray? ¹³ And if he finds it, truly, I say to you, he rejoices over it more than over the ninety-nine that never went astray. ¹⁴ So it is not the will of my Father who is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish. ¹⁵ "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother. ¹⁶ But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses. ¹⁷ If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. ¹⁸ Truly, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹ Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them."

²¹ Then Peter came up and said to him, "Lord, how often will my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" ²² Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy-seven times. ²³ "Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. ²⁴ When he began to settle, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. ²⁵ And since he could

not pay, his master ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made.²⁶ So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.'²⁷ And out of pity for him, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.²⁸ But when that same servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii, and seizing him, he began to choke him, saying, 'Pay what you owe.'²⁹ So his fellow servant fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.'³⁰ He refused and went and put him in prison until he should pay the debt.³¹ When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their master all that had taken place.³² Then his master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me.³³ And should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?'³⁴ And in anger his master delivered him to the jailers, until he should pay all his debt.³⁵ So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

SERMON NOTES

"The LORD said to Gideon, "The troops with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand." (Judges 7:2)

Text your questions to 203-800-7689 and if comfortable please include your name. You may also view a recorded version of the service or subscribe to our sermon podcast at cpcnewhaven.org/sermons.

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MEDITATION

IV. *Renewal in Christ's Presence*

In the Covenant Meal, we both remember the sacrificial life of Christ's atonement and partake of Christ's ascended presence by the Holy Spirit, wherein no extent of space separates us from the life-giving power of God. All Christians being united to Christ are united to each other in love and have communion in each other's gifts and graces.

*...for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation.
Revelation 5:9b*



During this time parents may retrieve their children to join them for worship. You may proceed directly to your seat from the nursery.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity!
(Psalm 133:1)

COLLECTION AND PRAYERS:

If you have a personal prayer request that you would like to be shared with the congregation in a weekly email, please submit them using the prayer request cards and place them in the offering basket as it is passed, or the basket located in the back of the sanctuary.

You may virtually submit a prayer request or give toward the collection at cpcnewhaven.org/live, or you may use this QR code to donate.



MEDITATION

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father
And to the Son and to the Holy Ghost
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

People: We believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible, and in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, begotten from the Father before all ages, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten not made, of the same essence as the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; he became incarnate by the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary, and was made human. He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried. The third day he rose again according to the Scriptures. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. His kingdom will never end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life. He proceeds from the Father and the Son, and with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified. He spoke through the prophets. We believe in the one holy catholic and apostolic church. We affirm one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and to the life in the world to come. Amen. (Nicene Creed, 325 AD)

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS TOGETHER

Leader: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

COMING FORWARD TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

Downstairs Sanctuary: Please come to the Upstairs Sanctuary to receive communion.

Upstairs Sanctuary: All Christians are invited to come forward to receive Christ's presence of bread and wine. We serve wine in the Lord's Supper, believing it to be the Biblical element used. We provide grape juice for those who, out of conscience or reasons of health, do not partake of wine. Grape juice is in the outer rim. The communion bread is gluten free. There is also an option to receive the sealed combination bread (not gluten-free) and juice.

PRAYER OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

**You, you have fed us with the body and the blood of your Son
While we, we were sinners and unworthy of the mercy you showed
Thank you, thank you for saving us, for saving us
(Repeat)**

Thank you for your body, thank you for your blood

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PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

Prayer for those searching: Oh God, I am discovering that the more I have, the more I need to have, the more I am loved, the more I need to be loved, the more I achieve, the more I need to achieve. Nothing seems to satisfy me. "Nothing tastes." Could it be, as someone once said, that "Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee." Dear God, if this is true, and if as the Bible teaches there is life and life eternal in Christ alone, please guide me to Him. Open me to the reality of the One who alone can satisfy my restless heart. Give me the courage to believe that which I cannot see but can understand, feel and touch through the Word, sacraments and church family. Lord I want to believe, please help me in my unbelief! Amen.

Prayer for belief: Lord God, I now see that I am weaker and more flawed than I ever before believed, but in Christ, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. Even as I have not loved You or my neighbor with all of my heart, You have shown Your love for me in that while I am still sinning, Christ died for me and took upon Himself the condemnation that I deserve. I now know that You owe me nothing for my efforts, but You offer acceptance, love and blessing into all eternity because of Christ's efforts on my behalf. I therefore ask that You would enable me to turn away from trusting in my own efforts to gain Your acceptance and forgiveness, and trust in the perfectly righteous efforts of Christ on my behalf in order to be accepted by You and entered into Your holy family. And just as You raised Christ from the dead, so too I ask that You would give me a new life in Christ, one that will lead eventually to Heaven itself. Thank you for Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit to believe in Him alone for my salvation. And as You have called us to follow You in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in Your church, grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen.

V. Restored In Christ's Supremacy

From the throne of heaven, God's power and grace is with us. In reverence and awe, we worship an exalted King and receive a kingdom that cannot be shaken, going forth in his immeasurable power working within us.

...and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth. Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures... numbering myriads of myriads... saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"
Revelation 5:10-13

LORD ENTHRONED IN HEAVENLY SPLENDOR

**Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor, first begotten from the dead,
You alone, our strong Defender, now lift up Your people's head.**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus, true and living Bread! Jesus, true and living Bread!

Behold the Lamb of God, who takes ours sins away

Risen, ascended, glorified, we worship you, we worship you

You reign on high, in never ending day

Risen, ascended, glorified, we worship you, we worship you

**Here our humblest homage pay we, here in loving reverence bow;
Here for faith's discernment pray we, lest we fail to know You now.**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

You are here, we ask not how, You are here, we ask not how.

Chorus

**Paschal Lamb, Your offering, finished, once for all when You were slain,
In its fullness undiminished, shall forevermore remain.**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Cleansing us from every stain. Cleansing us from every stain.

Chorus

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: "I urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

(Ephesians 4:1-3)

People: The peace of the Lord be with you.

Leader: And also with you.

BENEDICTION

"According to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you." (1 Peter 1:2)

PRAYER

If you would like to pray with a shepherd leader please send a text to 203-800-7689.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HIGHLIGHTS

BRIDGES OF HOPE

Volunteer at “I Heart New Haven Day” Saturday August 21

Come serve alongside believers from many different churches and love our city! I Heart New Haven Day returns with a service event on Saturday, August 21 from 9am to 1pm! Worship will kick off at Edgewood Park (near the corner of Ella T Grasso Blvd and Edgewood Ave) from 9-10am. People will then move to their service sites and may just go directly to their sites at 10am if they are uncomfortable with a large gathering. Most of the projects will be outdoors and many will be family friendly. Sign up today at bridgesnewhaven.org!

Mentor Applications Are Open for Bridges of Hope Tutoring Program This Fall

Bridges of Hope is looking for volunteers to serve as mentors for the 2021-22 school year. Volunteers should be college-age or older and have a heart for kids from low-income families. Because of the current make-up of our student population, there is a particular need for women who are available to serve from 5-7 pm on a Tuesday or Thursday night. Mentors are assigned one student to work with all year. Duties include helping with homework, discussing a brief devotion, participating in recreational activities and building a relationship of trust. Interested persons should go to bridgesnewhaven.org and click on the link to fill out an application.

SEPTEMBER PREVIEW

Sundays

- **10:30am Sunday Worship Begins 9/5**
- **9:30am Children’s Sunday School/Adult Sunday Studies Begins 9/19 (In-Person Only)**

Trainings

- **Tuesday Night Discipleship Leader Training at 8pm Begins 9/7 (Online Only)**
- **Wed. Night School of Discipleship & Dinner at 6:30pm Begins 9/22 (In-Person/Online)**

Events

- **Key Leader Kick-Off Dessert at 7pm 9/8**
- **Congregational Meeting at 9:30am before Worship 9/12**
- **Welcome Picnic and Ministry Fair following Worship 9/12**
- **Wednesday Night Compline at 8pm Begins 9/22 (In-Person/Online)**
- **Church Wide Retreat Friday Evening 10/1 - Sunday Lunch 10/3**

Our Pastor is getting married! August 7, 11am in the CPC Sanctuary

Craig and Allison would like to invite our entire church family to celebrate with them as we join in marriage! Should be a wonderful service and glimpse into Christ's love for the Church!

NEW HERE?

1. **Submit a Welcome Card!** We want to connect with you, please take the time to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pews and place it in the offering basket (at the back of the Sanctuary or when it's passed) or return it to the Welcome Bar in the foyer. You may also include a prayer request on the reverse side to be prayed for during the week.
2. **Receive Our Weekly Newsletter!** Go to cpcnewhaven.org and select "Newsletter Sign-Up" on the home page. Our weekly newsletter goes out on Friday mornings with Sunday Service information, highlights, upcoming events, and useful links.
3. **Check Out a Life Group!** See the last page in this bulletin for a list of all of our Life Groups and when they are meeting. If you would like help discerning which group may be a good fit, contact our Director of Ministries Associate Pastor Craig Luekens (craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org or 203-500-7115).

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 14 | **Men's Breakfast** | Contact Jerry for Info (jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org)

August 22 | **Outdoor Worship and Sunday Funday** | 10am | Edgewood Field in Westville
Help us cap off what has been an incredible summer of outreach to our city with our final outdoor service and annual Funday. Think all kinds of outdoor games for kids, bounce house, food, face painting, crafts. If you'd like to serve in a 30 minute time slot email our Assistant Pastor Jefferson Bennett (jefferson@cpcnewhaven.org) by 8/11.

August 28 | **Women's Lake Day** | Contact Lisa for Info (lisa.m.hawkes@gmail.com)

October 1 - October 3 | **Overnight Church-Wide Retreat** | Incarnation Center, Ivoryton, CT
Join us Friday evening after dinner, through Sunday lunch, for a church-wide retreat at the Incarnation Center in Ivoryton, CT with special guest speaker John Smed on the topic of Prayer. More details and registration coming soon!

MINISTRY GROUPS

Youth Group Crossroads | Last Sunday of the Month | 5pm | CPC

Crossroads Youth Group meets the last Sunday of each month to share food, fun, faith, and fellowship, for junior and senior high students. Contact jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org.

College Students | Discipleship on Campus

We love engaging college students on campus and off. If you're new to our church or want to engage activity at Yale or SCSU, contact Pastor Craig, craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org.

Graduating Students + College Summer Bible Study

Let's study James! If you are a high school graduate or are currently in college and home for the summer and are interested in a bible study please contact Rev. Jerry Ornelas at jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org for more information. Once we have a core group we can together decide the best day and time to meet.

Graduate Student Small Group | Thursdays | 7:30pm | In-person at Fellowship Hall

We're excited for our weekly Small Group with graduate students (and significant others!) to continue, as we discuss Scripture, pray for each other, and build relationships during this unique time of life. If you're new, feel free to join us! Contact Craig, craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org.

Women's Book Club | First Thursdays | 3pm | Zoom ID: 304 773 8548

The Women's Book Club meets the first Thursday of each month at 3pm (thought we will not meet in July or August). Please contact JoAnn (thekupiecfamily@comcast.net) if you have any questions. Zoom 304 773 8548.

- We will not meet in July and August
- Thursday, September 9th at 3pm - *Diary of a Country Priest* by Georges Bernanos

LIFE GROUPS

East Rock Life Group: The East Rock Life Group usually meets on the 2nd and last Sundays of each month, from 4:00 to 5:30 (or later), outdoors as the weather permits and often with food or a meal. We seek to embody the fellowship of believers in a smaller, more intimate community of CPC through discussion, activities, and prayer. Contact Trey Billings (203-606-0366, treybillings@gmail.com) and Kaitlyn Jessee (617-620-2101, kaijessee@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining us.

Hamden/Cheshire Life Group: The Hamden/Cheshire group has members from Hamden, Westville and Cheshire and currently meets via zoom. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays every month at 2 pm and our discussion once a month focuses on membership, vow renewal, and what membership means. Our aspiration as a group is to flesh out the first question of the Westminster Catechism and find joy in God our Savior. Meeting ID: 820 640 1622

Shoreline Saturday Life Group: We generally meet on the second Saturday of each month from 4:30 – 7:30pm for a time of fellowship, Bible study and dinner. This year we will be studying the book One Blood by John Perkins. Please contact Cliff Bogue (Clifford.bogue@me.com) or Lisa Tweed (hatwik@aol.com) if you are interested in joining us! Meeting ID: 997 204 53539

Shoreline Sunday Life Group: We are currently gathering using Zoom every other week on Sunday at 2:00pm to touch base, share news and pray together, and to disciple one another through discussion of the sermon, the Word, or other resources. Beginning when warmer weather arrives, one meeting will likely return to an outdoor, in-person time of fellowship. Please contact Jennifer (203-675-3268, jenandjen@att.net) or Joanne (860-395-0827, j.e.donovan@att.net) with any questions or if you'd like to join us! Meeting ID: 982 2146 1719

Trumbull Life Group: We meet the second Sunday of each month from 4-5:30 PM in Trumbull for a time of teaching and sharing of prayer requests. When things begin to open up more, we will follow our meetings with a meal. All are welcome to join us in person or via Zoom. Contact Heather Woolbert at 203-494-4805 for more information.

Westville Life Group: We typically meet on the second Sunday of the month at 2PM via Zoom with a weather permitting outdoor option for a limited number. The emphasis of our time together is fellowship and prayer support, with a discussion-based Bible Study. On or around the fourth Sunday, we try to plan a more social outdoor event or a Zoom prayer meeting. Sign up for our group on CCB to be notified of our happenings!