

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 worshiping 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 cpcpodcasts.org. 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 03/07/22: Consistent with New Haven policy, masks will now be optional at CPC for everyone regardless of vaccination status (including children). The Downstairs Sanctuary is reserved for those who would like to wear a mask during Sunday worship (you may also choose to wear one upstairs of course). In the spirit of Christian charity, please respect each others' choices and each others' safety in the event that you are experiencing symptoms.

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



If so desired, now is a good time for children to leave for childcare.

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

A PRAYER OF GOD'S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 98:1-4

Leader: Oh sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things! His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

People: The Lord has made known his salvation; he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.

Leader: He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

**Come thou fount of every blessing
Tune my heart to sing thy grace
Streams of mercy never ceasing
Call for songs of loudest praise
Teach me some melodious sonnet
Sung by flaming tongues above
Praise the mount; I'm fixed upon it
Mount of God's unchanging love**

**Here I raise my Ebenezer
Hither by thy help I'm come
And I hope by thy good pleasure
Safely to arrive at home
Jesus sought me when a stranger
Wandering from the fold of God
He to rescue me from danger
Interposed his precious blood**

**O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wandering heart to thee
Prone to wander, Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart; O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above**

**Prone to wander, Lord I feel it
Prone to leave the God I love
Here's my heart; O take and seal it
Seal it for thy courts above**

In a word or a phrase, lift up praises to the living God.

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

GENTLE & HUMBLE IN HEART

**Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden
Come to me all who labor and are heavy laden, and
I will give you rest, I will give you rest, rest**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Participants may kneel or lean forward.

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

People: My Changeless God, under the conviction of your Spirit I learn that the more I do, the worse I am, the more I know, the less I know, the more holiness I have, the more sinful I am, the more I love, the more there is to love.

**So take my yoke upon you and learn from me
For I am gentle and humble in heart and you will find
Rest for your souls, rest for your souls, rest**

People: How little I love your truth and ways! I am too often the willful sinner, who sins more readily because grace abounds. Give me a broken heart that it may carry home the waters of your grace. For my hope is not in me, but in you through Jesus Christ. Amen. (Adapted from "Paradoxes" in The Valley of Vision)

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

**For my yoke is easy and my burden is light
For my yoke is easy and my burden is light
My burden is light, my burden is light, light**

**I am gentle and humble in heart
You will find rest for your souls (repeat)**

Rest for your souls, rest for your souls, rest

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ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

“You are a God ready to forgive, gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and you did not forsake them.” (Nehemiah 9:17)

ONCE AND FOR ALL

**Once and for all
The Father's love
He is the light in the darkness
Who took on flesh
And took our place
The weight of the world on His shoulders
The weight of the world on His shoulders
We believe God's Son is Jesus
We believe that He is Lord
We believe that He has saved us
From sin and death
Once and for all**

**Once and for all
Our debt is paid
There on the cross it is finished
The Lamb of God
For us was slain**

Up from the grave He is risen

Up from the grave He is risen

Chorus

Jesus Jesus

God from God

Light from light

You are our salvation

Jesus Jesus

God from God

Light from light

Your Kingdom is forever (repeat)

Chorus

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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

WORD OF GOD SPEAK

**Word of God, speak.
Would you pour down like rain,
Washing my eyes to see your majesty
To be still and know that you're in this place
Please let me stay and rest in your holiness
Word of God, speak.**

Old Testament: Isaiah 55:1-13
New Testament: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!
People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON

“Have You Been Shaped By the Power of the Gospel?”

Rev. Craig Luekens

1 Thessalonians 1:1-10

¹ Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. ² We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, ³ remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴ For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, ⁵ because our gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction. You know what kind of men we proved to be among you for your sake. ⁶ And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, ⁷ so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. ⁸ For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything. ⁹ For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰ and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

SERMON NOTES

Text SERMON QUESTION to 860-467-0010 and follow the prompts to submit your question, then the pastor will be in touch this week. You may also view a recorded version of the service or subscribe to our sermon podcast at cpcpodcasts.org.

For families worshiping with young children, supplementary children’s sermon material is available in the pews and in the foyer.

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 text GIVE or PRAY to 860-467-0010.

TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

**Take my life and let it be, consecrated Lord to Thee.
Take my moments and my days; Let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take my hands and let them move, at the impulse of Thy love.
Take my feet and let them be, swift and beautiful for Thee.**

**Take my voice and let me sing, always only for my King.
Take my lips and let them be, filled with messages from Thee.
Take my silver and my gold; Not a mite would I withhold.
Take my intellect and use, ev'ry power as You choose.**

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: He was manifested in the flesh, vindicated by the Spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among the nations, believed on in the world, taken up in glory. (1 Timothy 3:16, 1st Century)

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS TOGETHER

Leader: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

COMING FORWARD TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

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. (Pre-sealed elements of juice and wafer are also available.)

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.

DRAW NIGH

**Draw nigh and take the body of the Lord
And drink the holy blood for you outpoured.
Offered was He for greatest and for least,
Himself the Victim and Himself the Priest.**

**He that His saints in this world rules and shields
To all believers life eternal yields,
With heavenly bread makes them that hunger whole,
Gives living waters to the thirsting soul.**

**Approach ye, then, with faithful hearts sincere
And take the pledges of salvation here.
O Judge of all, our only Savior Thou,
In this Thy feast of love be with us now.**

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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 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)

The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

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

BENEDICTION

"May grace and peace be multiplied to you through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord. His divine power has granted to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of him who called us to glory and excellence."
(2 Peter 1:2-3)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HIGHLIGHTS

Friday 5/6 | **20/30s & 60+ Spring Fling Party:** Mark your calendars and come join us for a fun-filled evening of fellowship at the Spring Fling Party on Friday, May 6, 2022 beginning at 6:30 p.m in the Fellowship Hall. This special event will combine the Young At Heart and 20s/30s ministries. You won't want to miss it! We will provide a taco bar and there will be music, games and more! E-mail Josh S. at joshuatsanders@yahoo.com with any questions.

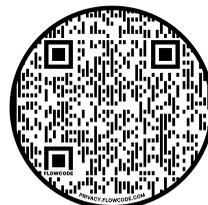
Thursday 5/12 | **IN-PERSON Key Leader Meeting at 7pm:** This is a time for all CPC Leaders (elders, WLB, SLB, Staff, Team Leaders, Sunday School Teachers, Community Group Facilitators/Outreach Coordinators/Mercy Coordinators) to reflect on feedback from the congregation and consider how to shape next year's ministry plan. (Note the in-person update.)

Sunday 5/15 | **Fellowship Lunch After Worship:** Join us after worship to share a meal together!

Monday 6/27 - Friday 7/1 | **Impact Week** | cpcnewhaven.org/impactweek

Impact Week is a church-wide mission trip that CPC New Haven has been engaged in for almost two decades! Starting as a soccer camp that launched a church plant (CPC in the Hill), we have always been inspired by the vision of the Church in Acts 2, where we are called to share all things together. This year, we will be focused on leading a Performing Arts Camp at a local public elementary school, as well as landscaping for our neighbors, and hosting a theology based youth camp called Converge. Mark your calendars and consider taking time off from work to join CPC for a week of missions here in New Haven. Visit our website to:

- Read our brochure and get all the info
- Sign-up as a volunteer for the Kids Camp, Service Projects, or Hospitality
- Register campers for the Kids Performing Arts Camp
- Register youth for Converge
- Submit a service project



Scan the QR Code, or visit cpcnewhaven.org/impactweek, or text **IMPACT** to **860-467-0010**.

Volunteer Sign-Ups Due 5/15!

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. Or you can text CONNECT to 860-467-0010 to get connected.
2. **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).
3. **Learn about Membership!** We consider the church an essential element of the gospel, so joining CPC as a member is a way to truly join the body of Christ, in all its blessings and with all its flaws! Before joining, you'll listen to an online membership seminar, meet with a pastor, and discuss how you've come to know Christ with the Shepherd Leaders.

SAVE CPC'S TEXT NUMBER: 860-467-0010

1. **Receive Broadcast Messages from CPC:** this is a one-way-only text where you will receive updates or important messages from CPC (this is not a group chat). To activate this, by law, you must opt-in first by texting us before we are able to text you (you can opt-out at any time). To get started text **HELLO** to **860-467-0010** and follow the prompts.
2. **Give In-Text:** Text **GIVE** to us at **860-467-0010** and you'll be prompted to set up an account to securely store your credit card information so that you only need to enter it this first time. After this, you will be able to give solely through interactions in your text app (i.e. by texting in your donation amount, and selecting funds and frequency.).
3. **Take Action:** Text these keywords to **860-467-0010** and follow the prompts.
 - **PRAY**: Submit prayer requests to be prayed for weekly by staff and sent out to the congregation in our weekly prayer email.
 - **PASTORCONSULT**: Set up a meeting with one of our pastors to discuss anything from a spiritual issue to interest in membership.
 - **SERMONQUESTION**: Send the pastors your sermon questions and they'll answer.

MONTHLY CHILDREN'S CATECHISM

We invite everyone in our church to join our children and families as they memorize the Westminster Shorter Catechisms. Whether you learned them as a young child, or have never seen them before, this is a great way to be reminded of the truths of Scripture. If you wish to study the catechisms more in depth or see Scripture proofs (highly recommended) please refer to the books below. We started at the beginning in March, so feel free to go back and look at questions 1 and 2.

April Westminster Shorter Catechisms

3. Q. What do the Scriptures principally teach?

A. The Scriptures principally teach, what man is to believe concerning God, and what duty God requires of man.

4. Q. What is God?

A. God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in his being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

5. Q. Are there more Gods than one?

A. There is but one only, the living and true God.

6. Q. How many persons are in the Godhead?

A. There are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost; and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory.

For Kindergarten and down – The First Catechisms

Q. How can you glorify God

A. By loving him and doing what he commands.

Q. Why ought you to glorify God?

A. Because He made me and takes care of me.

Q. Where do you learn how to love and obey God?

A. In the Bible alone.

Book Recommendations:

The Shorter Catechism for Study Classes, G.I. Williamson
Training Hearts, Teaching Minds, Starr Meade

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 6 | **20/30s + 60+ Spring Fling Party** | 6:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Mark your calendars and come join us for a fun-filled evening of fellowship at the Spring Fling Party on Friday, May 6, 2022 beginning at 6:30 p.m in the Fellowship Hall. This special event will combine the Young At Heart and 20s/30s ministries. You won't want to miss it! We will provide a taco bar and there will be music, games and more! E-mail Josh S. at joshuatsanders@yahoo.com with any questions.

May 12 | **Key Leader Meeting** | 7pm | In-Person at CPC

This is a time for all CPC Leaders (elders, WLB, SLB, Staff, Team Leaders, Sunday School Teachers, Community Group Facilitators/Outreach Coordinators/Mercy Coordinators) to reflect on feedback from the congregation and consider how to shape next year's ministry plan. (Note the in-person update.)

May 15 | **Fellowship Lunch** | After Worship

Join us after worship to share a fellowship meal together.

May 28 | **20/30s Memorial Day Weekend Party** | Save the Date!

June 5 | **Leadership Celebration and Lunch** | After Worship

On this Sunday we celebrate all of the leaders at CPC who serve in various ways - from Sunday School Teachers to Team Leaders and Board Members. Kids, consider taking a moment to write a special note of thanks to your Sunday School teacher this year.

June 11 | **Family Ballgame Outing** | Save the Date!

June 18 | **Women's Brunch** | Save the Date!

June 27 - July 1 | **Impact Week** | *See the "Highlights" Section*

ONGOING WEEKLY

Tuesday Night Pastoral Counseling Available 7pm-9pm: Would you like to speak one-on-one with a CPC pastor? We desire to connect the truths of scripture to the realities of life. Whether you are going through suffering or just need wisdom, the pastoral staff is dedicated to being available to meet. We recognize that our work hours are not always convenient for others. The pastoral staff is available by appointment Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. (or another time as determined by appointment). Interested persons should sign-up confidentially at cpcnewhaven.org/pastoral-counseling or text PASTORCONSULT to 860-467-0010.

Study Center Open: The Study Center and church building are open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10am-4pm, and Monday and Thursday by appointment with staff. Drop-ins are welcome!

CPC ONLINE

Subscribe to CPC Podcasts: Listen to our School of Discipleship classes, the Sunday Sermon, Compline Homilies, Smokin' Theologians, and other inspiring conversations with our pastors. Visit cpcpodcasts.org or subscribe wherever you listen.



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.



Sing at Home with Our New YouTube Playlist: Enjoy the songs we regularly sing at CPC from home with our new YouTube playlist. Visit youtube.com/c/CPCNewHaven and select “Playlists” to find it (it’s called “CPC Sunday Morning Music”).



SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

See resources from all of our classes at cpcnewhaven.org/all-classes.

Children's Sunday School at 9:30am: More info in the foyer or at cpcnewhaven.org/children.

Adult Sunday Studies at 9:30am:

- **Pilgrim's Progress | Fellowship Hall** | We need encouragement to persevere in the faith! With so many distractions and sins in our lives, what a great time to read and pray through a Christian classic that is the 2nd best selling book of all time, after the Bible, *Pilgrim's Progress* by John Bunyan. We'll tackle topics like the cost of discipleship, despair, prayer, doubt, greed, battles we face in walking the road of faith, and many more! Read along with us if you'd like, but not necessary.
- **Just Prayer | Parlor** | Not "just" prayer, or prayer about justice, but prayer alone! Inspired by our church-wide retreat, we want to be a church that depends on God and works for results that only God can provide, as opposed to ones that we can manufacture. So let's do this together - no program, no agenda, just a commitment to pray kingdom prayers together according to the command of Christ, for the glory of Christ, and the building up of His Church!

Men's Discipleship Group: Every 1st and 3rd Thursday evening at 6:30pm we gather for a time of fellowship and discussion of an article. Emails are sent out every Monday with info on time, location, and a link to the article. If you are interested in joining (and are not on the men's email list), contact Jerry (jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org).

Women's Discipleship Group: In Romans, Paul expresses a longing to be together "that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith." Consider joining us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month (7-8:30 pm) as we encourage, support and challenge one another in a small group setting. We are using the book *A Place to Belong* by Megan Hill. Please join us via Zoom (meeting #812 2180 7643) as we explore the beauty of the church and how we can delight in the "loveliness of Christ's gathered people." Contact Lisa Graham (lisahgraham44@gmail.com) or Diane Miller (auntie.diane@comcast.net).

Young Moms & Young Dads: If you have a child age 12 or under and are desiring to grow in your faith contact Jefferson Bennett (jefferson@cpcnewhaven.org).

Young at Heart 60+ Group: This group meets at 10:30am on the second and fourth Tuesdays in the Fellowship Hall. We are using the book "Trusting God." If you are interested contact Alan Phillips (phillipsalanr@gmail.com) or Stacy Roney (mrsprofdoc@icloud.com).

MINISTRY GROUPS

Youth Group Crossroads | 2nd and 4th Sundays 12:30pm-1:30pm | CPC

“Crossroads” is our bi-monthly youth gathering on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at CPC. Each meeting has a shared meal, fun games, and music. During the summer and fall months, outdoor activities such as playing at a nearby park or swimming in the pool are activities to be enjoyed. Contact Pastor Jerry (jerry.ornelas@cpnewhaven.org).

Digging Deep@Yale

Calling all Yale undergrads! Our group will resume in the fall. Email Craig (Craig.luekens@cpnewhaven.org) for more details.

Graduate Student Small Group | [some] Thursdays | 7:30pm | CPC Fellowship Hall

We're excited for our 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. We will attend Compline on Wednesdays (8pm) throughout March, and meet as Grad students on Thursdays at 7:30pm beginning in April (except for Holy Week). If you're new, feel free to join us! Contact Craig, craig.luekens@cpnewhaven.org.

Women's Book Club | Second Thursdays | 3pm | Zoom ID: 824 7985 2619

The Women's Book Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 3pm. Please contact JoAnn (thekupiecfamily@comcast.net) if you have any questions. Zoom 824 7985 2619.

- May 12 - "Lilith" by George MacDonald
- *On break June, July, August*

LIFE GROUPS

Downtown New Haven: Newly formed, the vision of this group is to reach and serve those that live in and around Downtown New Haven. We meet weekly on Thursdays at 7pm but location varies from week to week. Text Tyler Rice at 863-255-5138 or email tylerarice@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

East Rock Life Group: The East Rock Life Group usually meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, either mid or late afternoon, 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 generally meet twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 4 pm at different members' homes. This semester we are studying Rosaria Butterfield's book, *The Gospel Comes with a House Key: Practicing Radically Ordinary Hospitality in our Post-Christian World*. For more information about this and upcoming meetings, contact Julie Walker: walkerfj@comcast.net.

Shoreline Saturday Life Group: We generally meet on the second Saturday of each month from 4:30 – 7:30pm for a time of fellowship and dinner. We are currently meeting in person. Please contact Cliff Bogue (Clifford.bogue@me.com) or Lisa Tweed (hatwik@aol.com) if you are interested in joining us! If we need to move to meeting remotely, we will use Zoom ID 99720453539.

Shoreline Sunday Life Group: We are currently gathering twice monthly: Once on Sunday at 1:00pm for a delicious lunch, fellowship and a time of prayer together, and the other time on a weeknight at 7:30pm for "Bible & Life," using Zoom to disciple one another through discussion of the sermon, the Word, or other resources. Please contact Jennifer (203-675-3268, jenandjen@att.net) with any questions or if you'd like to join us. We'd love to have you!

Trumbull Life Group: We meet the second Sunday of each month from 5-6:30 PM in Trumbull for a time of teaching and sharing of prayer requests followed by a meal. All are welcome to join us. Contact Heather Woolbert at 203-494-4805 for more information.

West Side Life Group: This group will serve the greater Westville, Orange, Woodbridge, West Haven area with an emphasis on fellowship and prayer support, accompanied by a discussion-based Bible Study. We meet the second Sunday of the month at 4pm. Contact Cyndi Taylor at cynthiastaylor@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us!