

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.

A Guide to Our Worship

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*

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*

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

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

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

DRAWING NEAR TO GOD

MEDITATION

A time to quiet your heart and mind in preparation to enter into the life-giving presence of God.

“In Christ’s preaching [of the Kingdom of God), the element of fulfillment is no less striking and essential than that of expectation... for the future and the present are indissolubly connected in Jesus preaching, the one is the necessary complement of the other. The prophecy about the future can only be rightly viewed from the standpoint of the Christological present, just as the character of the present implies the necessity and certainty of the future.. It is the glory of God, not the pre-eminence of the people, which is placed in the center both at the beginning and during the progress of the preaching of the kingdom.. The absolutely theocentric character of the kingdom of God implies that it’s coming consists entirely in God’s own actions and is perfectly dependent on his activity. The kingdom of God is not a state or condition, not a society created and promoted by men... The kingdom of heaven is, therefore, absolutely transcendent in its origin, it is the revelation of God’s glory.”

Herman Ridderbos, *The Coming of the Kingdom of God*

I. REDISCOVERING GOD’S GLORY

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 96:1-3

Oh sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Sing to the Lord, bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples!

In a word or short phrase, a prayer of praise may be offered out loud when directed.

KING OF THE NATIONS

**Come, let us worship Jesus, King of nations, Lord of all,
Magnificent and glorious, just and merciful
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.**

Jesus, King of the nations. Lord of all.

**Lavish our heart's affection, deepest love and highest praise.
Voice, race and language blending, all the world amazed.
Chorus**

**Come, Lord, and fill your temple, glorify your dwelling place;
Till nations see your splendor and seek your face.
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.
Jesus, King of the nations. Lord of all.
Lord of all.**

**Fear God and give him glory for his hour of judgment comes.
Creator, Lord Almighty, worship him alone.
Jesus, King of the nations. Jesus, Lord of all.
Jesus, King of the nations. Worship Him alone.**

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YOUR LOVE O LORD

**Your love O Lord reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky
Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains
Your justice flows like the ocean's tide**

**I will lift my voice to worship You my King
I will find my strength in the shadow of Your wings**

**Your love O Lord reaches to the heavens
Your faithfulness stretches to the sky**

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II. REDISCOVERING GOD'S GRACE

CONFESSION OF SIN

Participants may kneel or lean forward.

Our great and glorious God, you who know and judge the secrets of every human heart, we do acknowledge and confess that we have followed our father Adam in revolting against your commandments. We have turned from your ways and from your blessed presence and have reaped the misery of turning away from you, the very Author of life. None of us is righteous, no not one.

We appeal to you, through your great mercy made manifest in Jesus Christ Your obedient Son, that you would forgive our sins for His sake, that you would make many righteous through His one act of obedience, that where our sin has increased, Your grace would abound. Just as Christ was raised from the dead by your glory, so also may we walk in newness of life. Amen.

(Based on Romans 3)

In a word or short phrase, prayer of confession may be offered out loud when directed.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: "In [Christ] we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace that he lavished on us."

(Ephesians 1:7-8)

 *If so desired, during the next song is a good time for children to leave for childcare.*

BLESSED ASSURANCE

**Come, Holy Spirit, my soul assure
Relieve my fears that I no more
May doubt the love of Christ for me
That my debt is paid, that I've been made free
O Comforter, in me reside
When the tempter speaks be my faithful Guide
Show Your promise is for me secured**

For the battle be my heavenly sword

Chorus:

Blessed assurance; Jesus is mine!

Oh, what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God

Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood

Illumine me with the Savior's light

To dispel my thoughts in the blackest night

In darkest hour to my soul reveal

The wounds which all my sorrows heal

Impress that seal, His image leave

And by Your pow'r to His grace I'll cleave

Until faith be sight and prayer be praise

When beholding Jesus face to face

Chorus

Bridge:

This my story, this my song

Born of Spirit, washed in Blood

This my story, this my song

In my Savior I belong

Chorus

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III. RENEWAL IN CHRIST'S WORD

Old Testament: Daniel 7:13-14

New Testament: Matthew 7:14

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: **Thanks be to God.**

MEDITATION

SERMON

Thy Kingdom Came ... Come ... Coming!

Rev. Preston Graham

Matthew 7:14

¹⁴ For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.

SERMON NOTES

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.

Takeaway: Perhaps the most overlooked, yet central virtue of the Christian life is patience. Why is it overlooked? Why is it so hard to grow in patience in the modern world? And why does it seem so boring to us? God is challenging us through the book of Hebrews to realize the riches that we already have secured in Christ in order that we may boldly endure the trials awaiting us in faithfulness. No matter the obstacle, every Christian can heed the challenge “do not shrink back!” We have confidence in Christ to live countercultural lives of intimacy with God, whose promises are faithful, and with his church, whose life is one of love.

MEDITATION

IV. RENEWAL IN CHRIST'S PRESENCE



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

BRINGING OUR LIFE TO GOD: COLLECTION & 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 in the offering basket, the prayer basket located in the back of the sanctuary, or by email to admin@cpcnewhaven.org.

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.**

PRAYERS OF SUPPLICATION

As God knows the fuller context, in a word or short phrase you may voice your prayer of supplication when directed.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Pray for Coram Deo Presbyterian Church in Spokane, WA, a Global Mission Anabaino Congregation.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

People: I believe that there is but one God only, the living and true God. And there are three persons in the Godhead: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, and these three are one God, the same in substance, equal in power and glory. I believe that we are justified as an act of God's free grace, wherein he forgives all our sins and accepts us as righteous in His sight, only for the righteousness of Christ imputed to us and received by faith alone, and that we have a right to all the privileges of a child of God. I believe that believers are being renewed in the whole person after the image of God and are enabled more and more to die unto sin and live unto righteousness, and at their death the souls of believers are made perfect in holiness and do immediately pass into glory, and their bodies, being still united to Christ, do rest in their graves till the resurrection, and that at such day we are made perfectly blessed in the full enjoyment of God to all eternity.

(Taken from Westminster Shorter Catechism Questions 5-6, 33-38)

RECEIVING AND PRAYING

Leader: Let us proclaim the mystery of our faith:

**People: Christ has died
Christ is risen
Christ is ascended
Christ will come again!**

Leader: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

All Christians are invited to come forward to receive Christ's presence of bread and wine. For all Christians and non-communing participants desiring God's special intervention and blessing, gender-specific prayer teams are available during communion in the foyer. Please enter the Sanctuary for communion.

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.

COMMUNION SONG: WOOD AND NAILS

O humble carpenter down on your hands and knees
Look on your handiwork and build a house so you may dwell in me
So you may dwell in me
The work was done with nothing but wood and nails
In your scar-borne hands
O show me how to work and praise
Trusting that I am your instrument

O loving laborer with the sweat upon your face
O build a table that I too may join you in the Father's place
Oh in the Father's place
The kingdom's come and built upon
Wood and nails gripped with joyfulness
So send me out within your ways
Knowing that the task is finished

The dead will rise and give you praise
Wood and nails will not hold them down
These wooden tombs we'll break them soon
And fashion them into flower beds

The curse is done the battle won
Swords bent down into plowshares
Your scar-borne hands we'll join with them
Serving at the table you've prepared

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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

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)

People: The peace of the Lord be with you.

Leader: And also with you.

COME THOU ALMIGHTY KING

**Come, thou Almighty King,
Help us thy name to sing, help us to praise.
Father, all glorious, o'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.**

**Come, thou Incarnate Word,
Gird on thy mighty sword, our prayer attend.
Come, and thy people bless, and give thy Word Success;**

Spirit of holiness, on us descend.

**Come, Holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour.
Thou who almighty art, now rule in every heart,
And ne'er from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.**

**To the great One in Three,
Eternal praises be, hence evermore.
His sovereign majesty may we in glory see,
And to eternity love and adore.**

Words: Anon., ca. 1757; Music: TRINITY, Felice de Giardini, 1769

BENEDICTION

Leader: "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all." Amen. (2 Corinthians 13:14)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HIGHLIGHTS

You're invited to join us weekly before the first service at 8:30am for coffee, pastries, and fellowship in the foyer, or to stay after the second service for snacks and fellowship at the Well!



Sign Up NOW! CPC S. CT Evangelism Conference this Friday & Saturday @ CPC Fairfield

January 31st (5:30–9pm) and February 1st (8:30am–1pm) at CPC Fairfield (3160 Park Ave., Bridgeport).

Don't miss this Special Event Involving All CPC Congregations. \$30 (Financial assistance available, just use code CPCNHV at registration and type in the scholarship amount requested.) Childcare will be provided-- if needed, email Annie (annie.mchugh@cpcnewhaven.org). Sign up online now at cpcnewhaven.org/register.

Topics Include:

- Rediscovering God as the Ultimate Missionary and His Presence Today
- The Sovereignty of God and Our Participation in Christian Conversion
- Evangelism on the Streets
- The Missional Church Embedded in the Community
- Missionary Encounters with Other Faiths and No Faith
- How to Bring a Child to Faith

Leadership Nominations (Session, WLB , SLB) Close Today

Nomination Forms available in Foyer (put in basket at door). Or go online cpcnewhaven.org/register.

Crossroads Youth Group - Today! 5pm-7pm

Students in middle and high school are welcome to join us and invite their friends to our youth group together! Enjoy food, fun, faith, and fellowship, at five o'clock!

Adult Sunday Studies - Spiritual Gifts in the Life of the Church - see below for demographic related classrooms

UPCOMING OUTREACH

20/30s Panel: "What Is God's Plan for Work" Saturday 2/8 at 6pm

Join the 20/30s Ministry at CPC for a panel discussion about work. The keynote presentation will be given by Charlie Olcott, former President of Burger King. Featured panelists include Patty Chucta, Assistant Principal at Clinton Avenue School in New Haven, and George Levesque,

Associate Dean of Yale College. Beer/wine and hors d'oeuvres follow. Share our posts this week on social media!

Kids Valentine's Party Saturday 2/15 at 10am

An outreach for the whole community. Come with your kid, or just to host and play! We need the help of everyone (not just parents with kids) to greet our neighbors and interact as the Body of Christ. To volunteer in other ways (set-up/clean-up/food/activities) contact Katherine (kfonofrio@gmail.com).

Reminder → Check www.cpcnewhaven.org/cancellations for updates regarding weather.

GROUPS FOR TODAY'S "SPIRITUAL GIFTS" CLASS

- **20/30s:** Lead by Doug B. and Diane M. | Meet in the Parlor
- **Young Family:** Lead by George L. and Jennifer C./Lisa H. | Meet in the 2nd Floor Library Extension (across from the copy room)
- **40s/Middle Family:** Lead by Alan T. and Meg B. | Meet in the 2nd Floor Conference Room (across from the Sr. Pastor's Study)
- **50+:** Lead by Alan P. and Stacy R. | Meet in the Fellowship Hall

UPCOMING EVENTS

January 31 - February 1 | **S. CT Evangelism Conference** | CPC Fairfield

See details under "Highlights."

February 7 | **First Friday** | 6:00pm-7:30pm | Fellowship Hall

Refresh. Connect. Encourage. The only agenda is to enjoy one another's company. With many of us exhausted once Friday comes around, here's a chance to relax and not have to prepare a meal. Dinner is provided, kids are welcome.

February 8 | **20/30s Panel: "What Is God's Plan for Work"** | 6pm | Sanctuary

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February 9 | **Youth Fellowship Lunch** | Follows Second Service | Fellowship Hall
See you for lunch and fellowship together! We'll be done for pick-up by 1:15pm.

February 15 | **Kid's Valentine's Party** | 10am-12pm | Fellowship Hall
An outreach for the whole community. Come with your kid, or just to host and play! We need the help of everyone (not just parents with kids) to greet our neighbors and interact as the Body of Christ. Contact Katherine (kfonofrio@gmail.com) to help.

February 23 | **Missions Sunday** | During Sunday Studies | Sanctuary
Join us to learn about the local and global missions that CPC supports, the current work of Mission Anabaino, Impact Week, and upcoming projects!

SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

Sign-Up online at cpcnewhaven.org/current-classes.

Spiritual Gifts in the Life of the Church

Sunday Studies at 10:30am (1/12/20 - 3/22/20; no class 2/23)

In an age of experts it can be hard to feel necessary or useful; and in an age of entertainment, it can be tempting to sit back and let others do the work. This class will explore all the ways you were created (and re-created in Christ!) to bless the body of Christ and receive blessings from others. Back by popular demand, we will explore this topic in demographic groups!

"Every believer has been assigned by the Holy Spirit to specific positions and activities of service, small and large, short-term and long-term. These ministry assignments have been given by the Holy Spirit to individual believers and, in turn, these individuals in their ministries have been given as gifts to the church. God deeply desires that his glory be declared to the world through the community he has brought together by his grace, a community that Paul often refers to as the body of Christ." - Kenneth Berding

- 1/12: "What are Spiritual Gifts: Rethinking the Conventional View"
- 1/19: "The Nature of the Church and Spiritual Ministries" (Plenary - Sermon and Joint SS Q & A)
- 1/26: "Spiritual Abilities or Spiritual Ministries?"
- 2/02: "There's No 'I' in 'Church'"
- 2/09: "Whatever Needs to Be Done: In Weakness or in Strength"
- 2/16: "Fleshing out the Body of Christ"
- 2/23: No class, Missions Sunday
- 3/01: "Spiritual Ministry and Authority"
- 3/08: "Discerning a Call, part 1: Personal Inventory"

- 3/15: “Discerning a Call, part 2: The Anatomy of the Body of Christ at CPC”
- 3/22: “Going Forward as the Family of God” (Plenary - Joint SS)

The Christ of History: The Early Church and the Kingdom of God

Wednesdays at 6:00pm (1/15/20 - 4/15/20; no class 2/5, 3/4, and 4/1)

This course explores how the early church discovered their place in the Kingdom of God, from their Jewish roots and the Law, the meaning of Jesus Christ’s life, ministry, death, and resurrection, as well as God’s revelation in history and nature. This study will show the early Christian’s experience in their many writings, art and architecture, interaction with a variety of pagans in the Roman Empire, and ecumenical gatherings with Christians from a variety of cultures. (Dinner at 6pm, followed by Kid’s Club and teaching at 6:30pm, Compline at 8pm.)

LIFE GROUPS

Women’s Life Group: We will be reading through J.I. Packer's book, *A Passion for Faithfulness: Wisdom from the Book of Nehemiah*. We meet on the second and fourth Tuesdays from 7:00 - 8:30 P.M. at Emily Boyer's home (40 Maplewood Road, New Haven). Please contact Juan Wang (jwangusa@icloud.com).

Men’s Life Group: We meet once a month on a Tuesday night from 6 to 8 in downtown New Haven (typically at Cask Republic). The book “*Seculosity: How Career, Parenting, Technology, Food, Politics and Romance Became our New Religion and What to Do About it*” guides our discussion but you do not have to read it. Our goal is to build fellowship and create a space where non-Christian colleagues could engage the Gospel. Contact Doug (rdouglasbruce@mac.com).

Co-Ed 50+ Life Group: We are a group of men and women that meet in the CPC Parlor the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 11:00 am. We are studying Jerry Bridges “*the Practice of Godliness*”, which has been a great blessing to us thus far. We welcome all who would like to join with us in this stage of life. Contact Alan Phillips at 718-687-8325.

Trumbull Life Group: We meet the second Sunday of each month at Steve and Heather Woolbert’s home at 4 Windmill Lane in Trumbull at 5 pm. We will be starting Sinclair Ferguson’s “*The Whole Christ*” lecture series and follow our meetings with a meal at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join with us. Contact Heather Woolbert at 203-494-4805.

Central New Haven Life Group: We meet the second, third, and fourth Friday's from 6pm-7:30pm. Beginning on 9/27 at CPC, we will discuss God's steadfast love, mercy, and

faithfulness as demonstrated in the books of Ezra and Nehemiah. If interested please contact Von Jessee (vfjessee@gmail.com) or Kevin Kehe (312-508-3588).

East Rock Life Group: We meet on the last Sunday of every month 5pm-7pm (at the same time as Crossroads Youth Group) for a study at the Billings' home in East Rock. On the second Sunday of the month there is generally a social outing (lunch, bowling, etc). Contact Susan White (susankeilwhite@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining.

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 of 2 Corinthians. Our next meeting is October 12 at 4:30 pm, place TBD. Please contact Cliff Bogue (Clifford.bogue@me.com) or Lisa Tweed (hatwik@aol.com).

Shoreline Sunday Life Group: We meet once a month on the third Sunday (typically, but not exclusively) after the second service at various homes from New Haven to Guilford. We enjoy a tasty potluck meal, lots of sweet fellowship, a robust sermon discussion and time of prayer together. Please contact Jennifer (203-675-3268, jenandjen@att.net) or Joanne (860-395-0827, j.e.donovan@att.net) if you'd like to join us!

Westville Life Group: We meet twice a month at Keri Cocchiola's house (2 Maplewood Road, New Haven), usually on the second and fourth Saturdays at 6pm-8pm, with either snacks or a potluck dinner. The emphasis of our time together is fellowship and prayer support, with a discussion-based Bible Study. This Fall we will be studying the book of Proverbs together, as a complement to CPC's Sunday Studies. Please contact Megan Paek (cmpaek@gmail.com).

Hamden/Cheshire Life Group: The Hamden/Cheshire group has members from Hamden, Westville and Cheshire and meets at 175 Whittier Rd, New Haven, CT. We meet the 2nd and 4th Sundays every month at 2 pm and are going through John Piper's book "Desiring God." Our goal is to flesh out the first question of the Westminster Catechism and find joy in God our Savior.

MINISTRIES

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

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

College Students | "Digging Deep" Group at Yale | Fridays 11:30 | Branford Dining Hall

All college students are invited to a foundational course, walking through key beliefs of the

Christian church. In a lecture and discussion style, led by a pastor, we will dig deep into theological questions. Contact Pastor Craig, craig.luekens@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/SCSU, contact Pastor Craig, craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org, to plug in.

Graduate Student Small Group | Thursdays 7pm | CPC 2nd Fl. Youth Room

We're excited for our weekly Small Group with graduate students (and significant others!) to discuss Scripture, pray for each other, and build relationships during this unique time of life. Some weeks we will hang out together afterwards, in addition to other social events.

ARE YOU NEW TO CPC OR NEW HAVEN?

Visit the Welcome Bar: Visit our CPC Welcome Bar in the foyer for coffee and welcome materials. Also, fill out a **Welcome Card**, located in each pew, and return it to the Welcome Bar or basket in the back of the sanctuary. You'll also receive our weekly e-newsletter.

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