

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.

Because you have kept my word about patient endurance, I will keep you from the hour of trial that is coming on the whole world, to try those who dwell on the earth. I am coming soon. Hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown.

Revelation 3:10-11

I. REDISCOVERING GOD'S GLORY

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 98:1-2

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.**

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

ACROSS THE LANDS

**You're the Word of God the Father
From before the world began
Ev'ry star and ev'ry planet
Has been fashioned by Your hand
All creation holds together
By the power of Your voice
Let the skies declare Your glory
Let the land and seas rejoice**

Chorus:

You're the author of creation

**You're the Lord of ev'ry man
And Your cry of love rings out
Across the lands**

**Yet You left the gaze of angels
Came to seek and save the lost
And exchanged the joy of heaven
For the anguish of a cross
With a prayer You fed the hungry
With a word You stilled the sea
Yet how silently You suffered
That the guilty may go free**

Chorus

**With a shout You rose victorious
Wresting victory from the grave
And ascended into heaven
Leading captives in Your wake
Now You stand before the Father
Interceding for Your own
From each tribe and tongue and nation
You are leading sinners home**

Chorus

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HOLY IS THE LORD

**We stand and lift up our hands, for the joy of the Lord is our strength.
We bow down and worship Him now. How great how awesome is He.**

And together we sing, ev'ryone sing.

Chorus:

**Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
The earth is filled with His glory.**

(Repeat from beginning)

Bridge:

**It is rising up all around. It's the anthem of the Lord's renown.
It's rising up all around. It's the anthem of the Lord's renown.**

And together we sing, ev'ryone sing.

Chorus:

**Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
Holy is the Lord God Almighty. The earth is filled with His glory.
The earth is filled with His glory. The earth is filled with His glory.**

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II. REDISCOVERING GOD'S GRACE

CONFESSION OF SIN

Participants may kneel or lean forward.

Lord God, we have given more weight to our successes and our happiness than to your will. We have eaten without a thought for the hungry. We have spoken without an effort to understand others. We have kept silent instead of telling the truth. We have judged others, forgetful that you alone are the Judge. We have acted in accordance with our opinions rather than according to your commands. Within your church we have been slow to practice love of our neighbors. And in the world we have not been your faithful servants. Forgive us and help us to live as disciples of Jesus Christ, your Son, our Savior.

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Leader: "The Lord is my strength and my might; he has become my salvation."
(Psalm 118:14)

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

SATISFIED

All my life long I had panted for a drink from some cool spring
That I hoped would quench the burning of the thirst I felt within.

**Chorus: Hallelujah! He has found me,
The One my soul so long has craved!
Jesus satisfies all my longings;
Through his blood I now am saved.**

Feeding on the filth around me till my strength was almost gone
Longed my soul for something better, only still to hunger on.

Chorus

Poor I was and sought for riches, something that would satisfy
But the dust I gathered 'round me only mocked my soul's sad cry.

Chorus

Well of water ever springing, Bread of life so rich and free
Untold wealth that never faileth my Redeemer is to me.

Chorus (Repeat)

**Through his blood I now am saved.
Through his blood I now am saved.**

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III. RENEWAL IN CHRIST'S WORD

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 8:1-3

New Testament: Matthew 4:1-17

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

SERMON

The Kingdom of God, Part 2: A Time For Testing

Rev. Preston Graham Jr.

Matthew 4:1-17

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. ² And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³ And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴ But he answered, “It is written,

“Man shall not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

⁵ Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶ and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,’

and

“On their hands they will bear you up,
lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

⁷ Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ⁸

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹ And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God
and him only shall you serve.”

¹¹ Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

¹² Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³ And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali,

¹⁴ so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵ “The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶ the people dwelling in darkness
have seen a great light,
and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,
on them a light has dawned.”

¹⁷ From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

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.

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.

Leader: Give to the Lord the glory due his name;
bring an offering and come before him.
We will sacrifice a thank offering to God
and call on the name of the Lord.
We will fulfill our vows to the Lord,
in the presence of all God's people.
Let each of us use whatever gift we have received,
faithfully sharing God's grace in many forms.

People: **Freely we have received; freely we will give.**

DOXOLOGY (#733)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost:
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

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 First Presbyterian Church of San Francisco, a Global Mission Anabaino congregation dedicated to bringing the experience of gospel transformation, gospel values, and gospel mission to San Francisco, the bay area, and our global community.

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)**

RECEIVING AND PRAYING

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: HOW BEAUTIFUL

How beautiful the hands that served

**The wine and the bread and the sons of the earth
How beautiful the feet that walked
The long dusty roads and the hill to the cross
Chorus: How beautiful how beautiful
How beautiful is the body of Christ**

**How beautiful the heart that bled
That took all my sin and bore it instead
How beautiful the tender eyes
That chose to forgive and never despise
Chorus**

**How beautiful the radiant Bride
Who waits for her Groom with His light in her eyes
How beautiful when humble hearts give
The fruit of pure lives so that others may live
Chorus**

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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.

ALL PRAISE TO GOD, WHO REIGNS ABOVE (#4)

**All praise to God, who reigns above, The God of all creation,
The God of wonders, pow'r, and love, The God of our salvation!
With healing balm my soul he fills, The God who every sorrow stills,
To God all praise and glory!**

**What God's almighty pow'r hath made, His gracious mercy keepeth;
By morning dawn or evening shade, His watchful eye ne'er sleepeth;
Within the kingdom of his might, Lo, all is just and all is right,
To God all praise and glory!**

**The Lord forsaketh not his flock, His chosen generation;
He is their refuge and their rock, their peace and their salvation.
As with a mother's tender hand, He leads his own, his chosen band,
To God all praise and glory!**

BENEDICTION

Leader: "Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word." Amen.

(2 Thessalonians 2:16-17)

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!

Do You Have an Idea for an Evangelistic Social Outreach? Apply for a Grant by 2/16!

Inspired by the Evangelism Conference this weekend? CPC New Haven is announcing the opportunity for our Life Groups, Ministry Groups, or ad hoc groups of at least four people, to take the lead and help plan fellowship/outreach events that encourage our friends and neighbors to interact with the body of Christ! These could be UNSad Parties, spring flings, fun in the summer fun, anything you can craft. We have a designated amount of money to help these plans come to fruition. Start thinking now and work in your groups to apply! Applications are due Sunday 2/16, with designations given the following weekend on Missions Sunday 2/23. The application can be found online at cpcnewhaven.org/forms-and-handbooks.

First Friday Is This Week at 6pm (No Wed. School of Discipleship, Compline Still at 8pm)

Refresh. Connect. Encourage. The only agenda is to enjoy one another's company. Here's a chance to relax and not have to prepare a meal! Dinner is provided, kids are welcome.

20/30s Panel: "What Is God's Plan for Work" This 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!

Sunday Studies Continues at 10am "Spiritual Gifts in the Life of the Church"

Read more under "*School of Discipleship*." Demographic groups and locations:

- **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

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

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.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

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 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!

February 26 | **Ash Wednesday** | Special Service of Compline | 8pm

Join us for a special service of Compline as we observe Ash Wednesday.

February 28-29 | **New Member Reception and Class** | Friday Evening and Saturday Morning

Get to know CPC and our leaders with this special class and reception for those in the membership process, or for those who'd like to begin it. To register email Annie at annie.mchugh@pcpnewhaven.org.

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.

Join Us Online: CPC uses Church Community Builder (CCB) to connect our congregation through groups, team serving schedules, and with a directory. To sign-in, visit cpcnewhaven.org and click the link for CCB on the bottom left hand corner of the homepage.

Receive Our Weekly Newsletter: Each week we send an e-newsletter to the congregation with info regarding upcoming events, our Sunday Schedule, announcements, and other helpful links (to groups, Sunday Studies classes, etc). To sign up to receive the newsletter, visit our website cpcnewhaven.org and click the sign-up link on the bottom left hand corner of the homepage.

