

What's happening at CPC

- ♦ **Memorial Day**, Monday, May 31, church office is closed
- ♦ **Green dinner party**, Saturday, June 5, 6:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Graduate recognition**, Sunday, June 6, late service
- ♦ **Lord's Supper**, Sunday, June 6, 6:00 p.m. - TIME CHANGE!
- ♦ **CPC congregational & corporation meeting**, Sunday, June 6, 7:15 p.m.
- ♦ **Brazil mission trip**, June 11-18
- ♦ **Upward Camp**, June 28-July 1
- ♦ **Missionary Dan Iverson preaching**, Sunday, June 20
- ♦ **First worship service at River Hill High School**, Sunday, July 4

You will find details of these events along with many other announcements and our calendar on our website: www.columbiapres.org

Thank you for serving today!

Serving	May 30	
8:30 a.m.	Ushers/Set Up	D&K Grothe, E Underhill, G Page, K Warner, E Johnston
	Projectionist	D Merrill
	Greeters	G Bayless, K&D Plantz
	Nursery Captain	B Kessler
	Infant Nursery	L Davidson, L Robinson
	1's & 2's Nursery	N Walgrove, N Erickson
	3's Nursery	L Barnes, S Green
	Prayer Team	G Greenslit, S Merrill
	Children's Worship	FAMILY SERVICE
10:00	Infant Nursery	B Childress, M Wilson, L Sharp
	1's & 2's Nursery	D Pesce, M Coulbourne, J Yahiro
11:00 a.m.	Ushers/Take Down	A Jackson, G Mitzel, J&J Loiacono, D&T&A Green
	Projectionist	J Johnson
	Greeters	T Laury, G Greenslit
	Infant Nursery	E Brian, T Morris
	1's & 2's Nursery	MC Jeske, C Milligan
	3's Nursery	T Green
	Prayer Team	K Harris
	Children's Worship	FAMILY SERVICE
Financial Sec.	L Johnson, B Stamps	

Next week Pastor Steve Green will preach on "The God and Father of Jesus" from I Peter 3:5.

Columbia Presbyterian Church

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Staff: Robbie Pennington, Dan Halley, Eric Johnston



♦ May 30, 2010 ♦

*We want to know Christ,
to know our hope,
and to know His power.*

Ephesians 1:17-23

Good morning! Welcome!

We are here to worship God who created us, redeemed us after we rejected Him, and holds on to us forever. Our only reasonable response is to worship Him.

This morning

You are warmly invited to keep your children with you in worship or you can entrust them to our dedicated, caring volunteers. We have nurseries downstairs for children up to 3 years old.

10:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes	
3s & 4s	MC-B
Kindergarten	MC-A
Grade 1	MC-2
Grades 2	MC-D
Grades 3 & 4	AC-3
Grade 5	AC-2
Middle School Girls	AC-1
Middle School Boys	PH-11
High School	PH-04

Adult Middle Hour Classes	
<i>A Praying Life</i>	Main hall
Acts	MC-1
Colossians	AC-5
Lies We Believe... Truths We Don't	AC-6
Discovering CPC	AC-4

MC ~ Ministry Center - the brick building facing Route 108
PH ~ Potter's House - the white rancher behind the MC
AC ~ Auxiliary Classrooms - the portable units behind the PH

Portable maps of the CPC campus are now available in the lobby to help you locate classes.

Worship Services ~ 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.



In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

I John 4:10



Call to Worship
*And Can It Be
All That I Need*

Prayer of Adoration
Welcome and Announcements

Scripture Reading

Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed TH254
God Over All
Glories of Calvary

Pastoral Prayer
Worship in Giving

Message

O Love of God, How Strong and True TH81
Benediction



Worship Leader: Rev. Tim Flora
Preacher: Rev. Allen Harris

Prayer Guide

Pray for our **congregational and corporation meeting** on June 6 after the Lord's Supper. Pray for Session and the Building Executive Committee to present information clearly and for unity as we move forward.

In June we are sending a team on a short term **mission to Brazil** to work with a church-planting team. Pray that God will use this mission trip to build His church in Brazil.

In July we will send a construction team to the **Tex/Mex border** to work on a BEAMM (Border Evangelism and Mercy Ministries) project, completing a home for the Rodriguez family in El Paso. Pray that their efforts will bring attention to our Lord, Jesus Christ, who is the author and enabler of this mission outreach.

Please continue to pray for God's leading for the **Search Committee** as they begin to receive and evaluate applications of prospective candidates for the **Team Leader Pastor Position** in the coming weeks. A status report from the Search Committee is available in the CPC Announcements, as we continue to keep the CPC family informed of our progress.

Pray for **healing** for those in our family who are ill or recovering. Ask God to **comfort** those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

If you would like to be added to our Prayer Chain, email us at office@columbiapres.org.

Allen Harris

May 30, 2010

WHERE IS LOVE?

I John 4:10

Lk 18:14: He who exalts himself will be humbled...

Take that one step further....

Think about your love for God, for Jesus:
Growing? Scale of 1-10?

The **problem** is in **thinking** about our love for Jesus!

Contrast **Peter** and **John**:

Peter

Thought much of his love for Jesus

- Matt 19:27
- John 13:3-9
- 13:37
- Matt 26:31-35

Result: Matt 26: 3x denied he even knew Him!

John

Never speaks of his love for Jesus. Only of Jesus' love for him:
5x:

- John 13:23
- 19:26
- 20:2
- 21:7, 20

Why? Tells us in **I John 4:10**

Several references to God's love in this short letter:

Egs: 3:1, 16; 4:7, 8-9

Then **I John 4:10** is the heart of the matter

This is love:

NOT that we loved God,

But that He loved us,

And sent His Son as a PROPITIATION for our sins

John does not think about his love for God, but only about God's love for him.

And the heart of that love is sending His Son as a **propitiation** for John's sins.

So what in the world is a **propitiation**?

Most simply: it is an offering to **appease someone's**

_____.

- Child's flowers to mom for muddying her floor
- Husband's perfume for forgetting their anniversary
- But what can you offer to an angry God for spitting in His face and ignoring His loving commands?

Only one offering will do: the innocent blood of His own Son, because death is the necessary penalty.

God's love turned away His own wrath so only love is left for you after the death of His Son. That is the only love worth thinking and speaking about.

Be clear on this: God does not love you because He saved you. He saved you because He loved you, from all eternity (Eph 1:4-8)

And how great is that love? John 17:23: the measure of its quality is the Father's love for His own Son!!

So he goes on: I John 4:11-12, 16, 19.

Result: John was the only disciple at the foot of the cross (John 19:25-27).

John was the first of the 12 to the empty tomb.

John was a faithful pastor for decades, into exile.

Do not waste your time thinking about your love—or lack of it—for Jesus. Rather think about His love for you

Contemplate Him and you will find yourself changed:

II Cor 3:18.

That is the heart of the Gospel.