

What's Happening at CPC

- ◆ **Whitney Vandenheuvel** and **Karyn Cruz** have successfully recited the Children's Catechism to their elders. Congratulations!
- ◆ **Laurel Pregnancy Center baby bottles** for change campaign begins today.
- ◆ The **Lord's Supper** will not be celebrated tonight but on Friday night.
- ◆ **Walgrove/Duncan Elder Home Meeting**, tonight 7:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Robbie Pennington** will be out of the office this week.
- ◆ **Zoning Hearing**, April 7&9, 6:30 p.m.
- ◆ **Pioneer Girls, Christian Service Brigade, Prayer Group, Women's Bible Study**, Wednesdays
- ◆ **Tenebrae Service**, Good Friday, April 10, 8:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Women's Day-Retreat**, April 18, 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
- ◆ **Dedication** of CPC's third Sandtown Habitat house, April 25, 1:30 p.m.
- ◆ Last weeks for collecting **pennies for Pioneer Girls** to donate to various missions projects
- ◆ **Laurel Pregnancy Center Janet Dick 5k Race/Walk for Life**, May 9
- ◆ **High school retreat**, May 15-17, at River Valley Ranch
- ◆ **50's Sock Hop** to benefit the Rt. 1 Day Center, June 27

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	April 5
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	A Dawson
	Infant Nursery	K Grothe, M Bayless
	1's & 2's Nursery	B&J Amason, E Allen
	3's Nursery	D Perrault, E Rodgers
	Prayer Team	England family
	Children's Worship	B Rushing, N Erickson
10:00	Infant Nursery	W Cole, I/A Malkin
	1's & 2's Nursery	M Farmer, P DeRosa
11:00 a.m.	Ushers/Take Down	A Jackson, G Mitzel, J&J Loiacono, D&T&A Green
	Projectionist	A Koch
	Greeters	T Morris, B Megary
	Infant Nursery	C Eyrich, K Rasmussen
	1's & 2's Nursery	T Allen, E Schellin
	3's Nursery	MC Jeske, S Cole
	Prayer Team	E Johnson, P Mazerski
	Children's Worship	Children worship with parents
Financial Sec.	L Johnson, B Warner	

Next Sunday Pastor Steve Green will preach from I Peter 3.

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Palm Sunday

◆ April 5, 2009 ◆

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

Ephesians 1:17-23

Good morning! Welcome!

We are here to worship God. He created us, redeemed us after we rejected Him, and holds on to us forever. Once we know Him, the only reasonable response is to worship Him.

We worship God corporately as a church on Sunday mornings, as families and as community groups through the week, and individually.

We love God and so love our neighbors ~ those sitting next to you this morning, those who live near you, those with whom you work or go to school, everyone.

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.

At 10:00 a.m. we have classes for all ages:

10:00 Children's Sunday School Classes	
3s	MC-C
4s	MC-B
Kindergarten	MC-A
Grade 1	MC-2
Grades 2 & 3	MC-D
Grade 4	AC-3
Grade 5	AC-2
Middle School Girls	AC-1
Middle School Boys	PH-11

10:00 Adult Middle Hour Classes	
Revolution: High School	PH-04
Merge: Young Adults/Professionals	PH-01
Young Marrieds	MC-1
Bible Survey	PH-13
Colossians	AC-5
Reformed Theology	MC-Prayer
God's Way of Handling Money	AC-6
Sermon Q&A	MC-Gym
Discovering CPC	AC-4

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



The crowds that went ahead of him and those that followed shouted, "Hosanna to the Son of David!" Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!" Matthew 21:9



Call to Worship
 Children's Choir²
All Glory, Laud, and Honor ~ TH 235²
Hail to the Lord's Anointed ~ TH 311¹
 Prayer of Adoration
 Catechism Recognition ~
 Whitney Vandenheuvel and Karyn Cruz¹
 Scripture Reading
In the Cross of Christ I Glory
Come ye Sinners
Blessed is the One
 Pastoral Prayer
 Worship in Giving –
 Ministry in Focus ~ Laurel Pregnancy Center
 Message
 Children's Choir¹
All Glory, Laud, and Honor ~ TH 235¹
Hail to the Lord's Anointed ~ TH 311²
 Benediction



¹first service ²second service

*Children age 4 through grade 2 are dismissed following the Ministry in Focus to Children's Worship downstairs in MC-A.

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

Prayer Guide

This coming week is **Easter week**. Ask God to prepare our hearts for celebrating Christ's amazing sacrifice to save us and His glorious victory over death. Pray for God to use the Tenebrae and Easter services powerfully to honor Himself and edify His people.

Pray for the **Zoning Board** as they hear testimony this Tuesday, **April 7**, and possibly Thursday, **April 9**, in opposition to our request for a conditional use permit. Pray that the Hearing Board will be able to make a clear decision to approve our Phase II plans. Ask God to use the building we hope to build to extend His kingdom here in our community.

Praise God for the progress being made on our third **Habitat** house in **Sandtown**, West Baltimore. Ask God to raise the additional funds we need to fulfill our financial commitment to Sandtown Habitat, which is \$3,600 by **April 25** when we dedicate the house. Andre and Kennedee will worship with us the next day.

Pray for our church family members who are serving in the **military**.

Pray that the women in the congregation who are **pregnant** will have safe pregnancies and that the babies they are carrying will have safe deliveries. Ask God to work in the lives of the children at CPC to bring them to profession of faith and spiritual maturity.

Continue to pray for CPC **members and friends** who are recovering from illness or surgery. Ask God to meet their needs and to teach us how to minister to each other.

Many of our families have **lost loved ones** in the past year. Please keep them in your prayers.

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

Allen Harris

April 5, 2009

Jesus before three Jewish Judges in His trial:

III. JESUS BEFORE HEROD

Luke 23:8-11

From Annas to Caiaphas to Pilate to Herod.

I. **HEROD** a picture of one once awakened, who put Jesus off. Now that his conscience is seared his interest in Biblical religion is only idle curiosity: v8

- No more fear (Mark 6:14-29; esp v20, 16)
Likely heard much of Jesus from Chuza (Lk 8:2-3)
- Fascination with the supernatural
- Many fruitless questions

You: beware putting Jesus off while your heart is tender. You will likely not continue to take Him seriously if you do not respond to Him soon

II. **JESUS'** response: silence: v9

- He will not cheapen the Gospel (Matt 7:6)
- He refuses deference because he is a king
- Silence is sometimes the best way to make one aware of their foolishness

You: He may not continue to speak to you if you ignore Him.

His words are not cheap. How you may wish He would speak to you again some day.

III. **HEROD**: when such a one does not get what he wants from God, he turns nasty: v10-11

- He supports attacks on Jesus
- He mocks Him
- He wants to be rid of Him

You: some of the greatest enemies of Christ grew up in gospel churches! I shudder to think of them!

IV. **JESUS'** response

- What suffering to endure foolish trivialities on the most somber day in the history of the world
- The suffering of enduring false malicious accusations—from Israel's leaders!
- He feels the pain of their inappropriate laughter heaping more judgment upon themselves

See His majesty in stark contrast to the fools

See what He suffered for you

When **you** suffer from stubborn opponents, remember

I Peter 2:20-23 → 24-25 (example) and Phil 3:10 (fellowship)

But He sees beyond all this.... Do you?
Through me He is still speaking to you.

HEED Him before you are left to silence and the next words you hear from Him are at the Throne of His Judgment.

He is never silent to honest questions.
But He will not respond to idle excuses.