

What's Happening at CPC

- ♦ **Women's Bible Study, Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m.**
- ♦ **Prayer Group, Women's Evening Bible Study, Christian Service Brigade, Wednesday evenings**
- ♦ **Pioneer Girls closing ceremony, May 13, 7:00-8:30 p.m.**
- ♦ **High school retreat, May 15-17, at River Valley Ranch**
- ♦ **Congregational meeting, Sunday, May 17, 6:30 p.m.**
- ♦ **Memorial Day, Monday, May 25, the church office will be closed.**
- ♦ **Youth & Families End of Year Banquet, Friday, May 29**
- ♦ **Sweeter than Chocolate Women's Bible Study, Thursday, June 11, 7:15 p.m.**
- ♦ **Summer Worship Schedule begins June 28**
- ♦ **50's Sock Hop to benefit the Rt. 1 Day Center, Saturday, June 27**
- ♦ **Upward Basketball and Cheerleading Camp, June 29-July 2**
- ♦ **Fall Worship Schedule begins September 13**

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 10
8:30 a.m.	Ushers/Set Up	B Shinholt, K Kahwajy, J Stamps, B Megary, G DeGrafft, N Walgrove
	Projectionist	D Merrill
	Greeters	M LaBelle, G Bayless
	Nursery Captain	L Hidey
	Infant Nursery	L Davidson, B Perrault
	1's & 2's Nursery	P Chao, K Bradley
	3's Nursery	D DeSena, N Erickson
	Prayer Team	D Rowell
	Children's Worship	C Degenford, M Cassel
10:00	Infant Nursery	E Hartin, J Jacob, C Rushing
	1's & 2's Nursery	D&M McKinney
11:00 a.m.	Ushers/Take Down	M Dransfield, D&J Rowell, G Ault, J Wilmot, D Green
	Projectionist	J Myers
	Greeters	S&S Holloway, K&S Harrison
	Infant Nursery	P Floyd, S Harrison
	1's & 2's Nursery	P Childress, L Harrison, H Floyd
	3's Nursery	A Elliot, M Dransfield, R Reichard
	Prayer Team	Need prayer warriors
	Children's Worship	R Purackal, M&L Wiedeman, C Tucker
	Financial Sec.	E Davis, J Bauer

Next Sunday Pastor Allen Harris will preach on "7 Lessons & Observations on Ministry" from Matthew 10:5-16.

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♦ **May 10, 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.

This morning

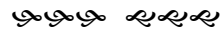
You are warmly invited to keep your children with you in worship or you can entrust them to our dedicated, caring volunteers. We have nurseries downstairs for children up to 3 years old.

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

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

Adult Middle Hour Classes	
<i>Revolution</i> : 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
Gospel of John	PH-15

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



Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few." Matthew 9:37



Call to Worship
From All That Dwell below the Skies ~ TH 7
Here I am to Worship

Prayer of Adoration

Reception of Members²

Children's Catechism Recognition²

Scripture Reading

Lord, What Moved Your Heart¹
We Sing Your Mercies¹
Haven't You Been Good?¹

Pastoral Prayer

Worship in Giving*

Message

Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Benediction



¹first service

²second service

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

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

Prayer Guide

Thank God for the **mothers** He has given us! Pray that we will appreciate the way they serve us and will express that gratitude to them. Ask God to encourage them and strengthen them for the calling He has given them.

On Sunday we will publicly receive **Mary Coulbourne, Hannah and Jessie Floyd**, and **Jennifer Yahiro** as members. Pray that we will be a church home where they will be able to grow spiritually and use their gifts to build up Christ's body. We will also recognize **Mary** for having learned and recited the Children's Catechism.

Our **Pioneer Girls** ministry finishes up this Wednesday with their closing program. Thank God for the things He has accomplished through the leaders and the participants. Pray that the seeds planted this year will bear much fruit.

This coming weekend is the **Revolution High School Retreat**. Pray for the students to grow in their relationships with God and each other. Pray for openings for the leaders to build relationships with the students and for meaningful ministry to result from those relationships.

Dick Barnes is visiting Ukraine and Moldova to participate in a prayer and **planning conference** for military ministries in these areas. Pray that God will use this trip to encourage and strengthen the work of the gospel in Russia, Ukraine, and Moldova.

Ask God to provide **jobs** for those who need them and to provide for their needs in the meantime.

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

The Gospel of Matthew #85

LESSONS FROM THE LOSERS

Matthew 10:1-4

I. Jesus calls them. 4 lessons:

1. Twelve

12 tribes in OT; 12 disciples in NT: this is foundation of the New Israel.
Beginning a New Society: the Church

2. Jesus delegates His own amazing **authority**

Every malady. Even **demons!**
Just like Him
Contrast Commission of 28:18-20: Word & sacraments

3. Delegates this to weak sinners

Disciples/lifelong learners (v1) and apostles/sent ones (v2)
Ministry always focuses on Jesus

4. What they had in common:

a) all Jews. That radically changed at Pentecost (Acts 2)

b) all men. That did not change after Pentecost

Spirit-filled ministry was equally for both men & women
Elders were restricted to men
(I Tim 2-3)

Conclusion: Ministry is HIS ministry thru us

II. Matthew names them. 7 lessons:

1. Peter is first, not foremost (v2)
Peter is first as spokesman, also as fool
Plague of Church thru history is corrupt powerful clergy
2. Prominent Peter and auxiliary Andrew (v2)
But Andrew faithful Bringer of people to Jesus
3. James & John go very different paths (v2)
God, not money or influence, determines your calling
4. Matthew the tax collector (v3):
 - Humility: only Matthew mentions this: grace
 - Hope: even a tax collector can be used by Jesus
5. Simon the Zealot, a guerrilla insurrectionist who *hated* Romans (v4)
In the same small group as Matthew, who collaborated with Romans! All one Body we, Democrats and Republicans...
6. Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him (v4)
A warning to all who presume you are "in"
7. Sent them out two by two (cf. Mark 6:7)
Remarkably diverse community that changed the world
But He recognized affinity (eg two sets of brothers together)

Conclusion: this is a Gospel blood bought community of grace.

Such a community changes its world.

May God enable us to become more like that.

Are you part of the community, or a visitor who looks on, maintaining your independence?

Jesus calls His disciples to community.