

**What's happening at CPC**

- ♦ **Middle Hour Classes** for adults begin **today** at 10:00 a.m. Check the bulletin for room assignments. A brochure with class descriptions is available in the lobby.
- ♦ **Children's Choir** begins this morning for children grades 1-6, meeting weekly from 10:45–11:00 a.m. in MC-D. Come make a joyful noise unto the Lord!
- ♦ **Women's Mentoring Coffee** this afternoon at 2:00 p.m.
- ♦ **Congregation-wide** meeting this evening, 6:30 p.m., main hall.
- ♦ **SHINE** for middle schoolers, Friday, **September 25**, 7:30 p.m.

You will find details of these events along with many other announcements and our calendar on our website: [www.columbiapres.org](http://www.columbiapres.org)

**Thank you for serving today!**

Serving ....	September 20	
8:30 a.m.	<b>Ushers/Set Up</b>	D&K Grothe, E Underhill G Page, K Warner E Johnston
	<b>Projectionist</b>	M Yee
	<b>Greeters</b>	K&D Plantz, P Divinnie
	<b>Nursery Captain</b>	J Armstrong
	<b>Infant Nursery</b>	L Davidson, S Proctor
	<b>1's &amp; 2's Nursery</b>	T & E/C Cruz
	<b>3's Nursery</b>	D&E Scheerer
	<b>Prayer Team</b>	E Brian, P Divinnie
10:00	<b>Children's Worship</b>	B Rushing, N Erickson M Plantz
	<b>Infant Nursery</b>	M Heiser, M Chang L Rovansek
11:00 a.m.	<b>1's &amp; 2's Nursery</b>	J/B Wilmot, E&E Goebel
	<b>Ushers/Take Down</b>	A Jackson, D, T, & A Green J&J Loiacono, G Mitzel
	<b>Projectionist</b>	J Myers
	<b>Greeters</b>	S&S Holloway
	<b>Infant Nursery</b>	M Harrison, H Swearman
	<b>1's &amp; 2's Nursery</b>	R Bidlack, E&K Flora
	<b>3's Nursery</b>	E Schellin
	<b>Prayer Team</b>	M Bayless
<b>Children's Worship</b>	L Barnes, S Niezelski J Johnson	
	<b>Financial Sec.</b>	L Johnson, B Stamps

Next Sunday Pastor Allen Harris will preach on the "Last Three Parables: The Ultimate Contrast" from Matthew 13:44-50.

**Columbia Presbyterian Church**

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Staff: Robbie Pennington, Dan Halley, Eric Johnston



♦ **September 20, 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.

**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.

There is an opportunity during each worship service for children age 4 through grade 2 to be dismissed to a Children’s Worship service.

<b>10:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes</b>	
3s	MC-C
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-Garage
High School	PH-04

<b>10:00 a.m. Middle Hour for Adults</b>	
Sermon Q&A	Main hall
Exodus	PH-01
Marriage Class	MC-1
Discovering CPC	AC-4
Colossians	AC-6
Foundations of Christian Life	AC-6
Women’s Class: Contagious Christian	PH-Library

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

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



*And he said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” Luke 10:2*



Call to Worship

*O Love of God, How Strong and True ~ TH81  
 Jesus, I Come*

Prayer of Adoration  
 Children’s Catechism Recognition<sup>2</sup>  
 Scripture Reading

*Completely Done  
 A Debtor to Mercy Alone  
 Have Thine Own Way, Lord! ~ TH688*

Pastoral Prayer  
 Worship in Giving\*

Message

*Hear the Call of the Kingdom*

Benediction



<sup>2</sup>second service only

\*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**

We celebrate **David Niezelski** learning the Children’s Catechism. Pray that God will use the truths David has learned to draw him close to Himself.

Pray for the information meeting **tonight** to cover the **staffing transitions** we are experiencing. Session will communicate more fully on what is going on and how we are preparing for the changes that are coming. Pray for wisdom for our elders as they plan and as they communicate those plans to the church at large.

Pray for students as they gather to pray for their schools, friends, communities, and country at this Wednesday’s **See You at the Pole**.

Praise God for answered prayer. We received the written Decision in Order from the county concerning our **facility expansion**. Pray for the Building Executive Committee as they make plans and decisions before construction can begin. Pray for the necessary funding to accomplish God’s work and that He would be glorified.

Many of us have suffered illness or the death of a loved one this year. Pray for **healing** and **comfort**. Remember particularly, the Milligan family as they mourn the loss of Char’s Mom last week.

*If you would like to be added to our Prayer Chain, email us at [office@columbiapres.org](mailto:office@columbiapres.org).*

**The Gospel of Matthew #96**

**SEE THE BIG PICTURE OF THE KINGDOM**

**Matthew 13:24-43**

I. Preliminary Observations

A. The 3 parables are a unit:

1. A mixture of wheat & weeds (v24-30)
2. A tiny mustard seed that grows into a 12' shrub (v31-32)
3. A tiny bit of yeast transforming 50 lbs of flour (v33)
4. Explanation of wheat & weeds and End (v34-43)  
Implies all a unit

B. Do they refer to God's work or Satan's work?

\_\_\_\_\_ work: each begin "The Kingdom of Heaven is like..."

C. To what does the "Kingdom of Heaven" refer?

Ans: God's Rule being extended over the nations until all evil destroyed and Messiah rules unopposed forever

II. Five lessons: an overview of Christian History

A. **F**\_\_\_\_\_: astounding growth from an insignificant beginning  
(mustard seed)

CPC's World Mission Task Force leads us in participation in God's Global Kingdom growth

B. **I**\_\_\_\_\_: do not be surprised at the mixture of genuine and nominal Christians in any culture where Christianity has taken hold  
(wheat & weeds)

C. **M**\_\_\_\_\_: It is our job to transform individuals and society under the Rule of King Jesus:  
(yeast)

1. Disciple all who call themselves Christians  
CPC's Simple Process & 12 Step Living the Gospel  
(Ask your elder or me)
2. Permeate society with Christian values:
  - a) Mercy: compassion  
Egs: Rte 1 homeless shelter, Sandtown
  - b) Justice  
Education, media, arts, law, politics, your calling

D. **W**\_\_\_\_\_: are you **wheat** or **weed**?  
Will you be **burned** or placed in the **barn**?  
Weeping and gnashing of teeth?  
Or shining like the sun with the Father?

What of those in your family?

Cf. 7:13-14, 21-23; 10:28; 11:20-24.

Come to Him for Rest and Life

E. **H**\_\_\_\_\_: the Day is soon Coming of the Great Division:

1. No more cause of sin and evil (v41)
2. You will shine like the sun! (cf. Dan12:3)