

What's happening at CPC

- ◆ **Portable maps** of the CPC campus are now available in the lobby to help you locate classes and meetings.

◆ Please complete Session's online **survey** by TODAY!

- ◆ **Daylight Saving Time ends November 1** ~ remember to set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night
- ◆ **Congregational lunch** together at 12:30 p.m., November 1
- ◆ **Lord's Supper** celebration at 2:00 p.m., November 1 ~ Consider sharing a personal testimony of how God is working in your life
- ◆ **Women's Seminar: Depression and the Christian Woman (Helping Self and Others)** November 7 ~ register online
- ◆ **Missionary Robert Carr** shares with adults in combined Middle Hour class on November 8
- ◆ **Operation Christmas Child** (shoeboxes) collection now through November 15

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	October 18
8:30 a.m.	Ushers/Set Up	B Shinholt, K Kahwajy, J Stamps, B Megary, G DeGrafft, N Walgrove
	Projectionist	M Newkirk
	Greeters	K&D Plantz, P Divinnie
	Nursery Captain	S Hirtle
	Infant Nursery	L Davidson, J Scheerer
	1's & 2's Nursery	M Ofori, E Allen
	3's Nursery	S&B Holloway
	Prayer Team	S Green, R Craig
	Children's Worship	K& E Underhill
10:00	Infant Nursery	A&J Johnson, MB Williams
	1's & 2's Nursery	S Sheldon, A Scheerer
11:00 a.m.	Ushers/Take Down	M Dransfield, D&J Rowell, G Ault, J Wilmot, D Green
	Projectionist	J Myers
	Greeters	G Greenslit
	Infant Nursery	LA Dransfield, K Rasmussen
	1's & 2's Nursery	MC Jeske, Rowells
	3's Nursery	J&E Schellin
	Prayer Team	R&L Hidey, H Wilson
	Children's Worship	Family worship
	Financial Sec.	MC Jeske, J Bauer

Next Sunday Pastor Allen Harris will continue his series in Matthew preaching on "Hypocrisy and the Heart" from Matthew 15:1-20.

Columbia Presbyterian Church

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Staff: Robbie Pennington, Dan Halley, Eric Johnston



◆ **October 25, 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 the first worship service for children age 4 through grade 2 to be dismissed to a Children’s Worship service.

10:00 a.m. Sunday School Classes	
NOTE! 3s & 4s combined	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

10:00 a.m. Middle Hour for Adults	
Sermon Q&A	MC-Gym
Exodus	PH-01
Marriage Class	MC-1
Discovering CPC	AC-4
Colossians	AC-5
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.



“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God...”

Ephesians 2:8



Children's Choir²
 Call to Worship
Holy, Holy, Holy! TH 100
Come Ye Sinners

Prayer of Adoration
 Scripture Reading

Completely Done
The Glory of the Cross
In the Beauty of Holiness

Pastoral Prayer
 Worship in Giving*

Message

Lord, What Moved Your Heart
How Great is Your Love

Children's Choir¹
 Benediction



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

¹ first service ² second service

Worship Leader: Elder Rick Belliveau
 Preacher: Rev. Allen Harris

Prayer Guide

Thank God for the birth of **Baylor Haine Pennington** on Tuesday, October 20!

Upward & Elevate basketball and cheerleading is gearing up for a full, exciting season. Pray for more **coaches** and **refs**. Thank God for the new families who are participating this year and ask God to draw them closer to Himself through this ministry.

Ask God to lead our **elders** clearly as they seek His direction in our **staff transitions**. Pray especially for them as they retreat next weekend to discuss the survey results, to pray together, and to plan our next steps.

Pray for Pastor **Steve Green** as he makes contacts with churches in the Pacific Northwest in preparation for beginning a counseling ministry there.

Ask God to use the process of **expanding our facility** to build His kingdom and to honor His name.

Thank God for the **babies** being born to our congregation. Pray for protection during **pregnancy** and childbirth for our expectant moms and their precious little ones.

Pray for **comfort** for those in our body who have recently lost loved ones.

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

The Gospel of Matthew #101

RELIGION VERSUS THE GOSPEL

Matthew 15:1-28

- 2 stories: 1. Jewish leaders (Pharisees) from Jerusalem
2. Canaanite woman from Tyre-Sidon (Gentile)

8 Contrasts to distinguish Jesus' Kingdom from Jewish religion
Distinguishes all human religion from the gospel.
(We all have gravitational pull toward religion)

At root is a radically different view of the **heart**

CONTRASTS:

I. Pride v Humility

Delegation comes from Jerusalem (v1) to straighten Jesus out
Accusation of superiors (v2)

Canaanite woman: shameless pleading of a beggar (v25)
She is ignored, rebuffed, refused. Still she pleads.
No pride: she cries out desperate

II. Clean v Unclean

Pharisees are clean (v1-2). Ritual purity a high priority.
The Canaanite woman is so unclean they would be defiled by
touching her!
Jesus reflects this distinction (v24-26)

But v10-11: genuine clean is not physical or ritual, but a matter
of the heart

III. What is seen v what is not seen

(the _____)

Pharisees: you see we wash to show we clean
But Jesus says v10-11, then v 17-20. You are filthy and
defiled, but do not even realize it.

IV. Works v Faith

Pharisees: what **we** do (v1-2)
Canaanite woman simply has faith in Jesus, her only hope.
That gains her access.
Naked helpless faith Jesus cannot refuse!

V. The Heart is basically _____ : guard it from evil v The Heart is basically _____ and needs to be transformed

Pharisees had multitudes of regulations about cleanness
This was symbolic of how they saw themselves
But v10-11 → 16-20

VI. Religion v _____

Religion is what I do to gain or maintain access to God
He owes me because I have followed His rules
Moralism.
Christians can revert to this daily

The Gospel is what Christ **has done for me.**

By grace. My *only* hope.
See this in the woman's pleading.
She never argues "Yes, but I..."
Only "Yes, but **You...**" 15:27: **You** are merciful.

VII. Rules v _____

Pharisees: keep rules and He must bless;
Jesus draws out the woman's faith in relationship
So with you

VIII. Ignorance of male Jewish leaders v Insight of female Canaanite nobody!

Gospel is for anybody who is poor in spirit
Jesus is accessible to YOU. Right now. You do not have to
DO anything to gain access to Him.
Come with your need. In **faith**.

The radical difference between religion and Gospel is the view of
the human heart. We will look at that next week.