

What's happening at CPC

- ♦ Jen and Mike **Costanzo baby boy shower**, November 29, contact Christina Rushing.
- ♦ **Upward** practices begin this week.
- ♦ **Women's Christmas breakfast**, December 5, RSVP to Bunny Amason or Susan Niezelski
- ♦ **Iraqi newcomers' Christmas reception**, December 5, contact Jon Erikson.
- ♦ **Christmas program**, December 20, contact Pastor Tim Flora for ways you can participate.

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	November 29
8:30 a.m.	Ushers/Set Up	P&J Iwaskiw, P Childress, L&J Clairmont, E Belliveau
	Projectionist	J Lyons
	Greeters	K&D Plantz, P Divinnie
	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	M & S Niezelski, D Jacob, K Etzweiler, A Koch, P Stevens
	Projectionist	J Myers
	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.	B Stamps, K Williams

Next Sunday Pastor Tim Flora will preach on "The ultimate rescue mission" from Hebrews 2:14-18.

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♦ **November 29, 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 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-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

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.



*He will stand and shepherd his flock
 in the strength of the Lord...*

Micah 5:4a



Welcome

Call to Worship

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence TH 193

O Come, O Come, Emmanuel TH 194

Prayer

God Over All

The Father's Love

All I Have is Christ

Prayer

Worship in Giving

Scripture Reading

The Lord Is

Sermon

Mighty to Save

Benediction



Worship Leader: Elder Tom Brod

Preacher: Rev. Allen Harris

Prayer Guide

Today we begin **Advent**. Thank God for sending Jesus to accomplish our redemption so that we can belong to Him.

Upward & Elevate basketball and cheerleading begins on Monday. Pray for 2 more **coaches** and many more **referees**. Thank God for all the kids who will participate. Pray that God will provide opportunities to reflect the grace of Christ in our contact with these families.

Thank God for our **elders**. Ask God to lead them clearly as they choose a **pastor search committee** and as they seek His direction in our staff transitions.

Pray that we will **give** to the Phase 2 building fund as God leads. Thank God that as we give, He will throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out blessing (Malachi 3:10). Ask God to use the process of **expanding our facility** to build His kingdom and to honor His name.

On December 5 we will host a party for **Iraqi immigrants**. Pray that folks from various churches will be able to clearly communicate the meaning and comfort of Jesus' coming to accomplish our redemption.

Ask God to continue leading **Steve Green** as he leans on Him for guidance in establishing a biblical counseling ministry in the Pacific Northwest.

Pray for good **health** for those among us and our loved ones who have been ill or injured. Pray for full development of our unborn babies, safe deliveries, and healthy moms.

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

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

Messianic Prophecy #36:**Micah 5:1-5a****BUT YOU, BETHLEHEM EPHRATHAH**

I. The historical context & summary of Micah's message:

God hates orthodox worship where our hearts are not in it.
Worship from hearts that are morally and ethically bankrupt.

From people who have made Him in their image as a god they
can control.

II. Chapter 4: the future Hope and immediate despair

4:1-8: The Hope of the Kingdom to come

- It will be the center of the world's attention (v1),
- ruled by God (v2),
- with international peace (v3),
- and security (v4).
- This is a unique work of God (v5),
- who will re-gather His people (v6),
- and rule over them *forever* in Zion — (v7),
- Jerusalem, that will be restored (v8).

4:9-13: But now you are in a hopeless situation.
Conflicting message:

You will be carried away to Babylon where the Lord will
eventually rescue you (v9-10).

Right now you are facing an overwhelming enemy
(Sennacherib of Assyria), but I will deliver you (v11-13).
However, Jerusalem and the temple will be destroyed and
you will be carried away into exile by Babylon (counter-
intuitive because Assyria is the current threat)

III. Chapter 5:1-5a: the future Shepherd-King and Israel's pathetic
weakness

5:1 Sennacherib's insults to Hezekiah
(II Chron 32:9-19)?

5:2 BUT: Hope is God's _____ in Israel's
_____.

A. From tiny Bethlehem the mighty Ruler
Bethlehem simply supplied crops and sheep for Jerusalem

- The Reigning One
- Supernatural: origins from ancient times, even days of
eternity

B. 5:3-4a: From abandoned Israel to the Shepherd-King
Judah was under Roman domination when Jesus born

- He will S_____ (v4)
Stable strength
- He will S_____ (v4)
The Good Shepherd (John 10)
- In the S_____ of the LORD (v4)
Strength & majesty that lead to worldwide dominion

RESULTS of this for His people:

- _____ (v4)
No more wars or strife
- _____ (v5a)
HE is their peace. He is *your* peace. Forever.

So Herod tries to snuff out this rival. *Impossible!*
His Kingdom *will* prevail.
He comes in weakness for the weak.

What a Hope!
What a Refuge!