

Welcome to our Morning Worship!

It's a joy to welcome you to worship this morning! We worship the LORD, the God of the Bible, with our heart's affections and mind's attention focused on His glory and His grace. Please take a moment to preview *the order of worship* in the bulletin. We're glad you're here, and we pray that God's grace would be upon you!

Sunday Morning Prayer Time

Please come a few minutes early for worship and join the Pastor and others for a brief prayer time, around 9:20 AM, in Room #2.

Sunday Worship

Our culture is captivated by "body sculpting" — whether by plastic surgery or just photo-shopping images. Today's sermon reminds us that the church is a body too, and we ought to recognize how the Lord has arranged it — without seeking to re-sculpt it. May the Holy Spirit open the Word to us, and unite us as a congregation.

If the Spirit of God is working in you today, calling you to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, repent of sin, or otherwise respond to the Word of God, then please take a moment to speak with one of our elders (in the front of the room) after this morning's service.

Children in Worship

All children ages 4-5 & older are welcomed and encouraged to be in worship where parents can train them to praise the Lord and to listen to God's Word. Readers may have their own bulletin, while pre-readers can use the simpler **Children's Worship Folder** (available from the ushers).

**A NURSERY is available downstairs for infants & toddlers.*

Visiting Today?

We're glad you're here! If you need a Bible during the service there are several available at the ushers' station in the back of the sanctuary — help yourself. Please sign the *Friendship Form* as it is passed (during the offertory) and then join us after the service for fellowship downstairs. ***All first time visitors** should pick up a **Welcome Gift Bag** from the ushers' station after the service.

Sunday School

CPCC has Sunday School classes between 11:10 AM–Noon for all ages — even adults — with a nursery provided during the hour. The Adult class returns to our study of the 20th century with a Ligonier DVD lecture by Dr Bob Godfrey. All are welcome.

Evening Worship & Bible Study

Please return tonight **6–7 PM** for our evening worship service and Bible study. We begin by singing hymns ("by request"), then sharing and prayer, followed by time in the Word. **Tonight Pastor David** will bring us another installment of "Route 66" — our survey of all the books of the Bible. Tonight is on the N.T. book of **Titus**. Join us!



Wednesday prayer meeting

Join us at 7 PM on Wednesday for our mid-week prayer meeting at the church. Without God's help, sought earnestly in prayer, we cannot serve Him as we ought.

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THE WEEK AHEAD —

- Monday** 5:15 PM Serve at Schenectady City Mission
- Tuesday** 9 AM–3:30 PM *The Arbor* homeschool coop meets
- Wednesday** 11:30 AM Chinese church lunch & prayer time
7:00 PM **Mid-week Prayer Meeting**
- Next Sunday:** 9:15 AM Sunday morning Prayer (room #2)
9:30 AM **Advent Sunday Morning Worship**
11:10 AM **Sunday School** for all ages
Noon **Advent Luncheon & Festival**
(no evening service after festival)

Volunteers* for today: for next Sunday (**Dec. 2nd**):

A.M. Nursery: Laurel Bissett & Heather B. _____
Coffee Time: Tim & Karen Klint Steve & Stina Krewson

**If a volunteer cannot work their turn, please arrange an exchange in advance.*

Advent Festival is next Sunday

Next Sunday, Dec. 2nd, the First Day of Advent, is our annual "Advent Festival & Luncheon" beginning at Noon. We will enjoy a simple luncheon together in the Fireside Room (all are welcome), and then do some family-friendly crafts and activities together.

City Mission collection

CPCC collects non-perishable food items and mittens & toys for the City Mission. They will accept any new, unwrapped toy for children newborns to 10 years old. Please bring any toys to CPCC by Sunday, Dec. 2nd (next week) so we can deliver them in time.

Advent devotional reading

The Elders are giving each CPCC family an advent devotional book by Sinclair Ferguson, which uses 1st Corinthians 13. Please take the book with your name on it.

Offering Envelopes

Members and regular attenders are encouraged to use a box of offering envelopes provided free to you. *If you need a box, please see our church treasurer, Deacon Ed Snyder.*

Advent sermons & events

The season of Advent and Christmas are wonderful times for spiritual reflection and growth — and more Christian fellowship. We will have a special sermon series on the **Lineage of the Savior** with both Pastor David & Brian Spivey preaching. We'll also have our annual Christmas Caroling event on Sunday, Dec. 23rd (mark your calendar, and pray for good weather).

Upcoming Calendar items...

- ★ Sunday, **Dec. 2nd** — **Advent Festival & Luncheon** at Noon (no evening service this Sunday)
- ★ Thursday, Dec. 6th — Monthly Joint Boards meeting, 7:00 PM
- ★ Saturday, Dec. 15th — **I.M.F. breakfast**, 7:30 AM @ C.P.C.C
- ★ Thursday, Dec. 20th — Monthly Elders meeting, 7:00 PM
- ★ Sunday, Dec. 23rd — **Christmas Caroling Event**, 7 PM
- ★ Mon., Dec. 24th — **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**, 6 PM

"But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light."

1 Peter 2:9 evs