

Welcome to Christ Presbyterian Church of New Haven!

As a church committed to Greater New Haven, we hope to serve and reach both downtown New Haven and the surrounding edge towns. We believe that the gospel transcends all ethnic, social, and demographic boundaries. We are ambitious for the glory of God and aim to extend a Christ-centered gospel throughout Greater New Haven.



We want to connect with you so please take the time to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pews and place it in the offering basket or return it to the Welcome Table. You may also include a prayer request on the reverse side. Your requests are prayed for during the week. Also, visit the Welcome Table for a Welcome Brochure!



We value families worshipping together and welcome children of all ages to join us in worship at their parents' discretion (see the booklet "Together in God's Presence" at the children's ministry table). Childcare is available for parents who wish to take advantage of it. Look for this icon in the bulletin to know when to drop off and pick up your children. Supplementary children's sermon material is available in the foyer.



When parking on Sundays please reserve our parking lot for visitors, parents with small children, and those who need to park closer. Two Yale parking lots north of the church on Whitney Ave. are available to us also. Lot 16: Gibbs Lab at Whitney Ave. and Humphrey St., and the Whitney Ave. Garage located behind 221 Whitney Ave. For safety, exit our lot on the Bradley St. side only.



We highly recommend that you participate bodily in worship, however, when necessity or mercy requires, you may access a live stream video of our full service at cpcnewhaven.org/live. You may also view a recorded version or listen to our sermons at cpcpodcasts.org. We do believe that there is a mystical communion of Christ in heaven with the body of Christ on earth by the Holy Spirit when you participate in person in worship.

PROTOCOLS FOR ATTENDING WORSHIP

Covid-19 Re-Opening as of 8/9/21: All are welcome to attend worship following these protocols. In order to allow more people to attend, we will be using both the Sanctuary and a re-imagined worship space in the Fellowship Hall (with a direct audio/video feed of the sanctuary on a big screen). Per order of New Haven's Mayor Elicker, effective 8/9/21, masks are required indoors for all individuals when social distancing is not possible.

Prior to Arrival

- Use conscience to determine whether you in good faith are comfortable attending.
- Take your temperature at home and do not attend if you have a fever or are symptomatic (cough, shortness of breath, fever).
- If you test positive for Covid-19 and have attended any church event, please alert us (email Sr. Pastor preston.graham@cpcnewhaven.org and Operations Coordinator annie.mchugh@cpcnewhaven.org).
- Bring layers to wear for your own temperature control, we will have the doors and windows open to aid with air flow as well as the HVAC system running with HEPA filters (we will simultaneously run the heat/AC as needed).

Upon Arrival

- Use hand sanitizer before you enter the building, or upon entry.
- Use the main foyer entrance.

Outdoors

- No masks or social distancing are required for either those vaccinated or unvaccinated.

Indoors

- **Non-Vaccinated Participants:** Wear a mask inside the building at all times.
- **Upstairs Sanctuary:** Social distance seating, we ask that all people wear a mask to your seat(s) but then you can take off your mask during worship.
- **Downstairs Sanctuary:** We will not require social distance seating, but ask that all people wear a mask both to your seat and throughout the duration of worship.

Drawing Near To God

As we enter into a service carefully patterned after the logic of the gospel and the ancient temple worship, we are invited into communion with God in Christ through his Holy Spirit. We will participate in the movements of worship—which are illustrated in Revelation 4-5—as we praise God for who he is, fall to our knees as unworthy to be in his presence, receive the free reconciliation accomplished in Christ, and sing a “new” song. We are all personally invited to meet him as the Savior of sinners and gracious King of heaven and earth.

After this I looked, and behold, a door standing open in heaven! Revelation 4:1



If so desired, now is a good time for children to leave for childcare.

I. Rediscovering God's Glory

God's desire initiates an invitation into his presence. Through worship, we rediscover the holy otherness of God in his glory revealed through creation and salvation.

And the first voice, which I had heard speaking to me like a trumpet, said, "Come up here...At once I was in the Spirit, and behold, a throne stood in heaven, with one seated on the throne....And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures...and day and night they never cease to say, "Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God Almighty, who was and is and is to come!"

Revelation 4:1-2, 6-8

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 150

Leader: Praise the LORD! Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens! Praise him for his mighty deeds; praise him according to his excellent greatness!

People: **Praise him with trumpet sound; praise him with lute and harp! Praise him with tambourine and dance; praise him with strings and pipe! Praise him with sounding cymbals; praise him with loud clashing cymbals! Let everything that has breath praise the LORD! Praise the LORD!**

O FOR A THOUSAND TONGUES TO SING

**O for a thousand tongues to sing
My great Redeemer's praise
The glories of my God and King
The triumphs of His grace**

**My gracious Master and my God
Assist me to proclaim
To spread through all the earth abroad
The honors of Thy name**

**So come on and sing out
Let our anthem grow loud
There is one great love
There is one great love
Jesus**

**Jesus, the name that charms our fears
That bids our sorrows cease
'Tis music in the sinner's ears
'Tis life and health and peace**

**He breaks the power of canceled sin
He sets the prisoners free
His blood can make the foulest clean
His blood availed for me
Chorus**

**He speaks and listening to His voice
New life the dead receive
The mournful broken hearts rejoice
The humble poor believe**

**Glory to God and praise and love
Be ever, ever giv'n
By saints below and saints above
The church in earth and Heav'n
Chorus**

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II. Rediscovering God's Grace

Entering God's presence naturally leads us to face our sin, yet in Christ we do so both mournfully and courageously, with the knowledge that his abundant mercy awaits. God makes it safe to be honest, real, and transparent about our moral failures and brokenness because we have nothing to prove or hide in Christ.

Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals... "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals." Revelation 5:1-5

PEACE, LORD

**Peace, Lord
Grant us your peace, Lord**

**Not as the world gives,
But sure as your Son lives,
So may we have his peace with us.**

**The peace of your Word, God
We've read and we've heard, God
So may we now know, deep down in our bones, your voice alone.**

**Peace, Lord
Grant us your peace, Lord**

CONFESSION OF SIN

Participants may kneel or lean forward.

Leader: Forgive us, O Lord, for everything that spoils our relationships with each other.

People: Forgive us for the moodiness and irritability that make us difficult to live with, the insensitivity that makes us careless of the feelings of others, the selfishness that makes life harder for others.

**Not as the world gives,
But sure as your Son lives,
So may we have his peace with us.**

**The peace of your Word, God
We've read and we've heard, God
So Spirit apply the blessings of Christ to each of our lives.**

**Peace, Lord
Grant us your peace, Lord**

Leader: Forgive us, O Lord, for everything that spoils our witness for you;

People: Forgive us for how we so often deny with our lives what we say with our lips; for the difference between our creed and our conduct, our profession and our practice; for any example that makes it easier for people to criticize your church or for another to sin.

Leader: When we think of ourselves and of the meanness, ugliness and weakness of our lives, we thank you for Jesus Christ, our Savior. Strengthen us by your Spirit that in the days to come we may live more nearly as we ought through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

*In a word or short phrase, you may share a confession to God
quietly or out loud, as directed.*

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

"For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." (2 Corinthians 5:21)

HOW DEEP THE FATHER'S LOVE FOR US

**How deep the Father's love for us, how vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son to make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss; the Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One bring many sons to glory.**

**Behold the Man upon a cross, my sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life I know that it is finished.**

**I will not boast in anything, no gifts, no pow'r, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ, His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward? I cannot give an answer.
But this I know with all my heart: His wounds have paid my ransom.**

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III. *Renewal in Christ's Word*

The preaching of the Word of God is the Word of God, wherein it becomes the very Word of God proclaimed and received by the illumination of the Holy Spirit to believers. This is not a lecture based on a dead letter, or a self-help talk, but an encounter with the living God in the flesh of his people.

And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. And they sang a new song...
Revelation 5:6-9

Old Testament: Hosea 8:1-14

New Testament: Matthew 23:23-33

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

SERMON

"You Reap What You Sow: Why Hypocrites Cannot Escape Hell"

Rev. Jefferson Bennett

Hosea 8

¹ Set the trumpet to your lips! One like a vulture is over the house of the LORD, because they have transgressed my covenant and rebelled against my law. ² To me they cry, "My God, we--Israel--know you." ³ Israel has spurned the good; the enemy shall pursue him. ⁴ They made kings, but not through me. They set up princes, but I knew it not. With their silver and gold they made idols for their own destruction. ⁵ I have spurned your calf, O Samaria. My anger burns against them. How long will they be incapable of innocence? ⁶ For it is from Israel; a craftsman made it; it is not God. The calf of Samaria shall be broken to pieces. ⁷ For they sow the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind. The standing grain has no heads; it shall yield no flour; if it were to yield, strangers would devour it. ⁸ Israel is swallowed up; already they are among the nations as a useless vessel. ⁹ For they have gone up to Assyria, a wild donkey wandering alone; Ephraim has hired lovers. ¹⁰ Though they hire allies among the nations, I will soon gather them up. And the king and princes shall soon writhe because of the tribute. ¹¹ Because Ephraim has multiplied altars for sinning, they have become to him altars for sinning. ¹² Were I to write for him my laws by the ten thousands, they would be regarded as a strange thing. ¹³ As for my sacrificial offerings, they sacrifice meat and eat it, but the LORD does not accept them. Now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins; they shall return to Egypt. ¹⁴ For Israel has forgotten his Maker and built palaces, and Judah has multiplied fortified cities; so I will send a fire upon his cities, and it shall devour her strongholds.

SERMON NOTES

Text your questions to 203-800-7689 and if comfortable please include your name. You may also view a recorded version of the service or subscribe to our sermon podcast at cpcpodcasts.org.

For families worshipping with young children, supplementary children's sermon material is available in the pews and in the foyer.

IV. *Renewal in Christ's Presence*

In the Covenant Meal, we both remember the sacrificial life of Christ's atonement and partake of Christ's ascended presence by the Holy Spirit, wherein no extent of space separates us from the life-giving power of God. All Christians being united to Christ are united to each other in love and have communion in each other's gifts and graces.

*...for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God
from every tribe and language and people and nation.
Revelation 5:9b*



During this time parents may retrieve their children to join them for worship. You may proceed directly to your seat from the nursery.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

Behold, how good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity!
(Psalm 133:1)

COLLECTION AND PRAYERS:

If you have a personal prayer request that you would like to be shared with the congregation in a weekly email, please submit them using the prayer request cards and place them in the offering basket as it is passed, or the basket located in the back of the sanctuary.

You may virtually submit a prayer request or give toward the collection at cpcnewhaven.org/live, or you may use this QR code to donate.



MEDITATION

DOXOLOGY

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him above ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
Alleluia! Alleluia!**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

**People: We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, visible and invisible.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen. (Nicene Creed, 325 AD)**

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS TOGETHER

Leader: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

Leader: “I urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.”
(Ephesians 4:1-3)
The peace of the Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

COMING FORWARD TO RECEIVE COMMUNION

All Christians are invited to come forward to receive Christ's presence of bread and wine. We serve wine in the Lord's Supper, believing it to be the Biblical element used. We provide grape juice for those who, out of conscience or reasons of health, do not partake of wine. Grape juice is in the outer rim. The communion bread is gluten free. (The Downstairs Sanctuary will serve pre-sealed elements of juice and wafer.)

PRAYERS FOR THOSE NOT COMMUNING

Prayer for those searching: Oh God, I am discovering that the more I have, the more I need to have, the more I am loved, the more I need to be loved, the more I achieve, the more I need to achieve. Nothing seems to satisfy me. “Nothing tastes.” Could it be, as someone once said, that “Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in thee.” Dear God, if this is true, and if as the Bible teaches there is life and life eternal in Christ alone, please guide me to Him. Open me to the reality of the One who alone can satisfy my restless heart. Give me the courage to believe that which I cannot see but can understand, feel and touch through the Word, sacraments and church family. Lord I want to believe, please help me in my unbelief! Amen.

Prayer for belief: Lord God, I now see that I am weaker and more flawed than I ever before believed, but in Christ, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared hope. Even as I have not loved You or my neighbor with all of my heart, You have shown Your love for me in that while I am still sinning, Christ died for me and took upon Himself the condemnation that I deserve. I now know that You owe me nothing for my efforts, but You offer acceptance, love and blessing into all eternity because of Christ's efforts on my behalf. I therefore ask that You would enable me to turn away from trusting in my own efforts to gain Your acceptance and forgiveness, and trust in the perfectly righteous efforts of Christ on my behalf in order to be accepted by You and entered into Your holy family. And just as You raised Christ from the dead, so too I ask that You would give me a new life in Christ, one that will lead eventually to Heaven itself. Thank you for Christ, and the power of the Holy Spirit to believe in Him alone for my salvation. And as You have called us to follow You in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in Your church, grant that I may take the necessary steps to be one with Your people, and live in the fullness of Your Spirit. Amen.

V. Restored In Christ's Supremacy

From the throne of heaven, God's power and grace is with us. In reverence and awe, we worship an exalted King and receive a kingdom that cannot be shaken, going forth in his immeasurable power working within us.

...and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth. Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures... numbering myriads of myriads... saying with a loud voice, "Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!"
Revelation 5:10-13

Establish the Work of Our Hands

**If you don't build it, we labor in vain
Without your Spirit, we stand with no strength
I know my life is passing away
But the works of your hands
Are what will remain
Let the favor of the Lord rest upon us
O Lord, establish the work of our hands
O Lord, establish the work of our hands**

**Teach us to number the length of our days
Pour out your power; we'll pour out your praise
Teach us to run, to finish the race
For only what's done in love will remain
Let the favor of the Lord rest upon us
Chorus**

Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! (repeat)

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BENEDICTION

"May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ." (Romans 15:5-6)

PRAYER

If you would like to pray with a shepherd leader please send a text to 203-800-7689.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HIGHLIGHTS

Marriage Enrichment Evening This Friday 11/12 at 6pm at the Inn at Amarante's Sea Cliff

The church should be the place where marriage is the strongest, but again and again both statistics and personal experience reveal that Christian marriages have all of the same problems faced by the rest of the world. How can churches redeem marriages and remake them so that they transform individual souls and reflect the glory of God? Join us for an evening of enrichment filled with dinner, dancing, and discussion with other couples on the topic of marriage sparked by short video presentations from Dan Allender's series "Intimate Marriage." We'll be at the Inn at Amarante's Sea Cliff (62 Cove Ave., New Haven). Please feel free to extend this invitation to others you would like to invite. If you have a need for help with babysitting contact Annie (annie.mchugh@cpcnewhaven.org). Register at [**cpcnewhaven.org/register**](https://cpcnewhaven.org/register).

BOH Monthly Zoom Prayer Meeting This Thursday 11/11 at 7pm

Join all our Bridges of Hope congregations for a Monthly Zoom Prayer Meeting, to include a brief devotional, followed by prayer. These virtual prayer meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month from 7pm-7:30pm through May. Zoom Meeting ID: 920 2624 6521; Passcode: 930131.

In-Home Thanksgiving Fellowship Meals Sign-Up by Sunday 11/21

An opportunity to join or host others in the congregation for a Thanksgiving meal. Sign-up at [**cpcnewhaven.org/register**](https://cpcnewhaven.org/register), or via the form in the bulletin, or contact admin@cpcnewhaven.org. Please act in accordance with your conscience concerning COVID requirements. Initial matches will be made the week of 11/15, but you may continue to sign-up through the 21st.

Are You Interested in Learning More about Membership at CPC?

We have a membership joining coming up on December 12th and would love to begin the conversation if you've been interested in learning more about joining the church. The process includes familiarizing yourself with our Membership Seminar (available at cpcpodcasts.org), meeting with a pastor, and then with several of our shepherd leaders. Contact Annie to get started (annie.mchugh@cpcnewhaven.org). There will also be a time for potential members to interact socially with current members, shepherd leaders, and pastors on 12/3 at our "New Member Social".

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Help Our New London Church Planter: Ben Sheldon and his family have made it to the greater New London area and would love to make connections in the area. If you know anyone in the area, regardless of church background, Ben and Alison would love to meet them! Please pass along their info to Ben (benjamin.sheldon@anabaino.org).

Social Outreach Grants Open for Submission: CPC New Haven is announcing the opportunity for our Life Groups, Ministry Groups, or ad hoc groups of at least four people, to take the lead and help plan fellowship/outreach events that encourage our friends and neighbors to interact with the body of Christ! We have a designated amount of money to help these plans come to fruition and applications will be accepted and granted on a rolling basis. Scan here to apply or visit cpcnewhaven.org/forms-and-handbooks.



NEW HERE?

1. **Submit a Welcome Card!** We want to connect with you, please take the time to fill out a Welcome Card located in the pews and place it in the offering basket (at the back of the Sanctuary or when it's passed) or return it to the Welcome Bar in the foyer. You may also include a prayer request on the reverse side to be prayed for during the week.
2. **Check Out a Life Group!** See the last page in this bulletin for a list of all of our Life Groups and when they are meeting. If you would like help discerning which group may be a good fit, contact our Director of Ministries Associate Pastor Craig Luekens (craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org or 203-500-7115).
3. **Learn about Membership!** We consider the church an essential element of the gospel, so joining CPC as a member is a way to truly join the body of Christ, in all its blessings and with all its flaws! Before joining, you'll listen to an online membership seminar, meet with a pastor, and then discuss how you've come to know Christ with the Shepherd Leaders. We hold several membership joining services annually.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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November 25 | **Thanksgiving Fellowship Meals** | Various Times and Locations

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November 28 | **Fellowship Lunch** | After Worship

Join us after worship to share a fellowship meal together.

December 03 | **New Member Social** | Time TBD | Location TBD

If you are new to CPC, and especially if you are going through the process of membership, you are invited to our New Member Social to get to know about CPC and the life of the church.

December 04 | **Work Day and Decor Set-Up** | 9am | CPC Building and Grounds

This is our annual winter Work Day and Christmas Decor Set-Up! From 9am-12noon come and Deck the Halls in preparation for the Christmas season, and tackle some house-keeping projects for all skill levels and hand sizes, including leaf pick-up.

Save the Dates!

- December 10 | **Lessons and Carols Christmas Service** | 6pm
- December 12 | **Membership Joining and Fellowship Lunch** | During Worship and After
- December 24 | **Christmas Eve Compline Service** | Time TBD

CPC ONLINE

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Receive Our Weekly Newsletter: Go to **cpcnewhaven.org** and select “Newsletter Sign-Up” on the home page. Our weekly newsletter goes out on Friday mornings with Sunday Service information, highlights, upcoming events, and useful links.



Sing at Home with Our New YouTube Playlist: Enjoy the songs we regularly sing at CPC from home with our new YouTube playlist. Visit **youtube.com/c/CPCNewHaven** and select “Playlists” to find it (it’s called “CPC Sunday Morning Music”).



ONGOING WEEKLY

Tuesday Night Pastoral Counseling Available 7pm-9pm: Would you like to speak one-on-one with a CPC pastor? We desire to connect the truths of scripture to the realities of life. Whether you are going through suffering or just need wisdom, the pastoral staff is dedicated to being available to meet. We recognize that our work hours are not always convenient for others. The pastoral staff is available by appointment Tuesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. (or another time as determined by appointment). Interested persons should sign-up confidentially at cpcnewhaven.org/pastoral-counseling.

Wednesday Night Fellowship Meal at 7pm: Join us for a light meal before Compline in the Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday Night Compline at 8pm (In-Person and Livestream): Beginning centuries ago, monastic communities gathered in the evening to “complete” the day by observing a worship service that weaves together songs, prayers, Scriptural reflections, and Communion. In that spirit, we hope to enter God’s presence with others from around our city to experience Compline. Each night we will celebrate the central Christian feast of the Lord’s Table. All are welcome to join us in the middle of the week as we take refuge in the riches of God’s grace in Christ. Compline meets Wednesday at 8:00pm during the academic year (in-person or online at cpcnewhaven.org/live) from 9/22/21 - 12/8/21 (except Thanksgiving week on 11/24/21) and 1/19/22 - 4/6/22.

Thursday Live Podcast Recording at 2pm: Recorded at New Haven’s The Owl Shop, the Smokin’ Theologians Podcast is a long form conversation hosted by curious layman, Alex Gonzalez, and learned Theologian, Rev. Dr. Preston Graham, in which the two discuss plaguing theological questions and today's societal concerns, field live audience questions, and host a variety of colorful guests. Smokin’ Theologians is an answer to questions that don’t always get addressed. This audio video podcast will be available on YouTube Live, Spotify, and Apple Podcasts. *All are invited to attend the live recording every Thursday at 2pm at The Owl Shop in downtown New Haven (268 College St, New Haven, CT 06510). Also visit cpcpodcasts.org.*

Study Center Open: The Study Center and church building are open Tuesday and Wednesday from 10am-4pm, and Monday and Thursday by appointment with staff. Drop-ins are welcome!

SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP

See resources from all of our classes at cpcnewhaven.org/all-classes.

Children's Sunday School at 9:30am: More info in the foyer or at cpcnewhaven.org/children.

Adult Sunday Studies at 9:30am:

- **The Bible Project: A Journey Through the Bible -- Book by Book** | Have you ever tried to read the Bible and get lost in the weeds? Try to read from cover to cover and don't make it past Exodus? Ever wonder what the main points of each book are about? Join us Sunday Mornings as we discuss a different book of the Bible each week in order. In order to become biblically literate and to fall more in love with God and His Word, we have to understand the bigger picture of God's redemption. We'll be using the popular and easily digested "Bible Project" videos each week to kick off our discussions. The Psalmist exclaims, "I rejoice at your word like one who finds great spoil" (Ps. 119:162). Let's mine the treasures together! 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall.
- **Just Prayer** | Not "just" prayer, or prayer about justice, but prayer alone! Inspired by our church-wide retreat, we want to be a church that depends on God and works for results that only God can provide, as opposed to ones that we can manufacture. So let's do this together - no program, no agenda, just a commitment to pray kingdom prayers together according to the command of Christ, for the glory of Christ, and the building up of His Church! 9:30am in the Parlor.

Men's Discipleship Group: Every 1st and 3rd Thursday evening at 6:30pm we gather for a time of fellowship and discussion of an article. Emails are sent out every Monday with info on time, location, and a link to the article. If you are interested in joining (and are not on the men's email list), contact Jerry (jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org).

Women's Discipleship Group: In Romans, Paul expresses a longing to be together "that we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith." Consider joining us on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month (7-8:30 pm) as we encourage, support and challenge one another in a small group setting. We are using the book *A Place to Belong* by Megan Hill. Please join us via Zoom (meeting #812 2180 7643) as we explore the beauty of the church and how we can delight in the "loveliness of Christ's gathered people." Contact Lisa Graham (lisahgraham44@gmail.com) or Diane Miller (auntie.diane@comcast.net).

Young Dads Discipleship Group: If you have a child age 12 or under and are desiring to grow in your faith contact Jefferson Bennett (jefferson@cpcnewhaven.org).

Young Moms Discipleship Group: We meet two Tuesday evenings/month in the church parlor, 5:30pm-7pm. We will read about the heart of Christ in the book “Gentle and Lowly” by Dane Ortlund, and focus on prayer and personal scripture reading. Join us if you have children under 12! Contact Meg (mhbogue@yahoo.com) or Patty (patty.gantenbein@comcast.net).

Young at Heart 60+ Group: This group meets at 10:30am on the second and fourth Tuesdays in the Fellowship Hall. We are using the book “Trusting God.” If you are interested contact Alan Phillips (phillipsalanr@gmail.com) or Stacy Roney (mrsprofdoc@icloud.com).

MINISTRY GROUPS

Youth Group Crossroads | 2nd & 4th Sundays | 1:00pm-4:00pm

“Crossroads” is our bi-monthly youth gathering on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. On the 2nd Sunday we will meet in the Fellowship Hall. On the 4th Sunday we will meet at the home of one of the youths. Each meeting has a shared meal, fun games, and music. During the summer and fall months, outdoor activities such as playing at a nearby park or swimming in the pool are activities to be enjoyed. Contact Pastor Jerry (jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org).

Digging Deep@Yale | Fridays | 9am-10am | Schwartzman Commons Elm Cafe

Calling all Yale undergrads! We love good questions and real theology here, so let’s discuss the big topics together. We’ll meet at the Schwartzman Commons Cafe. Email Craig (Craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org) for more details.

Graduate Student Small Group | Thursdays | 7:30pm | CPC Fellowship Hall

We’re excited for our weekly Small Group with graduate students (and significant others!) to continue, as we discuss Scripture, pray for each other, and build relationships during this unique time of life. If you’re new, feel free to join us! Contact Craig, craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org.

Women’s Book Club | Second Thursdays | 3pm | Zoom ID: 824 7985 2619

The Women's Book Club meets the second Thursday of each month at 3pm. Please contact JoAnn (thekupiecfamily@comcast.net) if you have any questions. Zoom 824 7985 2619.

- 11/11 "Martin Luther" by Eric Metaxas
- 12/09 "One Day in the Life of Ivan Denisovich" by Aleksandr Solhenitsyn

LIFE GROUPS

Downtown New Haven: Newly formed, the vision of this group is to reach and serve those that live in and around Downtown New Haven. We meet weekly on Thursdays at 7:30pm but location varies from week to week. Text Tyler Rice at 863-255-5138 or email tylerarice@gmail.com if you are interested.

East Rock Life Group: The East Rock Life Group usually meets on the 2nd and last Sundays of each month, from 4:00 to 5:30 (or later), outdoors as the weather permits and often with food or a meal. We seek to embody the fellowship of believers in a smaller, more intimate community of CPC through discussion, activities, and prayer. Contact Trey Billings (203-606-0366, treybillings@gmail.com) and Kaitlyn Jessee (617-620-2101, kaijessee@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining us.

Hamden/Cheshire Life Group: The Hamden/Cheshire group has members from Hamden, Westville and Cheshire and generally meet twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 4 pm at different members' homes. This semester we are studying Rosaria Butterfield's book, *The Gospel Comes with a House Key: Practicing Radically Ordinary Hospitality in our Post-Christian World*. For more information about this and upcoming meetings, contact Julie Walker: walkerfj@comcast.net.

Shoreline Saturday Life Group: We generally meet on the second Saturday of each month from 4:30 – 7:30pm for a time of fellowship and dinner. We are currently meeting in person. Please contact Cliff Bogue (Clifford.bogue@me.com) or Lisa Tweed (hatwik@aol.com) if you are interested in joining us! If we need to move to meeting remotely, we will use Zoom ID 99720453539.

Shoreline Sunday Life Group: We are currently gathering using Zoom every other week on Sunday at 2:00pm to touch base, share news and pray together, and to disciple one another through discussion of the sermon, the Word, or other resources. Beginning when warmer weather arrives, one meeting will likely return to an outdoor, in-person time of fellowship. Please contact Jennifer (203-675-3268, jenandjen@att.net) or Joanne (860-395-0827, j.e.donovan@att.net) with any questions or if you'd like to join us! Meeting ID: 982 2146 1719

Trumbull Life Group: We meet the second Sunday of each month from 4-5:30 PM in Trumbull for a time of teaching and sharing of prayer requests. When things begin to open up more, we will follow our meetings with a meal. All are welcome to join us in person or via Zoom. Contact Heather Woolbert at 203-494-4805 for more information.

West Side Life Group: Newly formed, this group will serve the greater Westville, Orange, Woodbridge, West Haven area with an emphasis on fellowship and prayer support, accompanied by a discussion-based Bible Study. Additional details including the meeting schedule will be provided after the September 19th meeting. Contact Ken Healy at kenhealy@gmail.com or (203) 725-6894 if you are interested in joining us!

