

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 worshiping 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 03/07/22: Consistent with New Haven policy, masks will now be optional at CPC for everyone regardless of vaccination status (including children). The Downstairs Sanctuary is reserved for those who would like to wear a mask during Sunday worship (you may also choose to wear one upstairs of course). In the spirit of Christian charity, please respect each others' choices and each others' safety in the event that you are experiencing symptoms.

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

A PRAYER OF GOD'S PRESENCE

CALL TO WORSHIP: Psalm 89:1-5

Leader: I will sing of the steadfast love of the LORD forever; with my mouth I will make known Your faithfulness to all generations.

People: For I have said, "Steadfast love be built up forever; in the heavens you will establish your faithfulness."

Leader: You have said, "I have made a covenant with My chosen one; I have sworn to David my servant." I will establish your offspring forever, and build your throne for all generations."

People: Let the heavens praise Your wonders, O LORD; your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones!

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (#100)

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! All the saints adore thee,
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
Who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
Though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
Only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.**

**Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
Holy, Holy, Holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!**

In a word or a phrase, lift up praises to the living God.

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

BLESSED ARE THE MERCIFUL

**Blessed are the merciful / Blessed are the merciful
Blessed are the merciful / For they shall receive mercy mercy**

Forgive us as we forgive / Those who sin against us
(Repeat)

CONFESSION OF SIN

Participants may kneel or lean forward.

Leader: O most great, most just, and gracious God, your eyes are more pure than to behold sin. You condemn the ungodly, unrepentant, and unbelievers, but have promised mercy through Jesus Christ to all that repent and believe in Him.

People: **We have not sought first your Kingdom and righteousness, and have not been content with our daily bread. We seek your pardon and salvation as offered to us in the wonderful love of Jesus Christ.**

(From Richard Baxter, the Savoy Liturgy)

Lord have mercy on us / Show Your mercy through us
(Repeat)

Mercy

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

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

“The blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, [will] purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!”
(Hebrews 9:14)

SATISFIED BY GRACE

**Once more, like children, we are come to banquet with our God;
May each one feel himself at home, and feast upon Your love.
While we receive the bread and wine, as emblems of Your death,
Lord, raise each soul above the sign, to feast on Christ by faith
We’ve come with starving hearts, and thirsty souls,
Satisfied by grace, Jesus, You’ve made us whole.
Jesus You’ve made us whole.**

**We would not come as strangers, Lord, who only see the sign,
But, as the objects of Christ’s love, would feel were one in Him.
We’ve come with starving hearts, and thirsty souls,
Satisfied by grace, Jesus, You’ve made us whole.
Jesus You’ve made us whole.
And as we take and eat body and blood:
New! You’re making us new, By Your Steadfast love,
Your steadfast love.**

**Like free-born sons, we would be free
From every legal chain.
Praise Him who brought our liberty,
And ever with Him reign. (Repeat)
Chorus**

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: Exodus 20:1-3

New Testament: Matthew 22:15-22

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord!

People: Thanks be to God.

MEDITATION

SERMON

"The Rise of Culture to the Demise of Christ"

Rev. Preston Graham

Matthew 22:15-22

¹⁵ Then the Pharisees went and plotted how to entangle him in his words. ¹⁶ And they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are true and teach the way of God truthfully, and you do not care about anyone's opinion, for you are not swayed by appearances. ¹⁷ Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar, or not?" ¹⁸ But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why put me to the test, you hypocrites? ¹⁹ Show me the coin for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. ²⁰ And Jesus said to them, "Whose likeness and inscription is this?" ²¹ They said, "Caesar's." Then he said to them, "Therefore render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." ²² When they heard it, they marveled. And they left him and went away.

SERMON NOTES

Text SERMONQUESTION to 860-467-0010 and follow the prompts to submit your question, then the pastor will be in touch this week. You may also view a recorded version of the service or subscribe to our sermon podcast at cpcpodcasts.org.

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

SONG OF RESPONSE

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 text GIVE or PRAY to 860-467-0010.

MEDITATION

GLORIA PATRI

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost!
As it was in the beginning is now and ever shall be
World without end; Amen. Amen.**

OFFERTORY PRAYER

CONFESSION OF FAITH

Leader: Christians, what do you believe?

People: We believe that Jesus Christ has presented Himself in our behalf before the Father, to appease His wrath, by offering Himself on the tree of the cross, and pouring out His precious blood to purge away our sins. And therefore we always ascribe all the glory to God, humbling ourselves before Him, without presuming to trust in any merit of ours, relying and resting upon the obedience of Christ crucified alone, which becomes ours when we believe in Him. This is sufficient to cover all our iniquities, and to give us confidence in approaching God; freeing our conscience of fear, terror, and dread. Wherefore we justly say with the apostle Paul that we know nothing save Jesus Christ, and Him crucified; we count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus our Lord, in whose wounds we find all manner of consolation.

(Adapted from the Belgic Confession, 1561, Articles XX-XXII)

PARTAKING OF THE ELEMENTS TOGETHER

Leader: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

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. (Pre-sealed elements of juice and wafer are also available.)

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.

JESUS CHRIST IS WITH US (YESU AZALI AWA)

Jesus Christ is with us, Jesus Christ is with us

Jesus Christ is with us; he is here! (repeat)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, he is here!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, he is here!

We will see him on his throne, we will see him on his throne

We will see him on his throne, on his throne. (repeat)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, on his throne!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, on his throne!

We'll bring praise to him, we'll bring praises to him

We'll bring praises to him on his throne. (repeat)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, on his throne!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, on his throne!

There'll be joy evermore, there'll be joy evermore

There'll be joy evermore, with the Lord. (repeat)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, with the Lord!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, with the Lord!

For his love makes us one, for his love makes us one

For his love makes us one with the Lord (repeat)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, with the Lord!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, with the Lord!

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.

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

ON JORDAN'S STORMY BANKS I STAND

**On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye.
To Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie.**

**All o'er those wide extended plains, Shines one eternal day.
There God, the Son forever reigns, And scatters night away.
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.
I am bound, I am bound, I am bound for the Promised Land.**

**No chilling winds nor poisonous breath, Can reach that healthful shore,
Sickness, sorrow, pain and death, are felt and feared no more.**

Chorus

**When shall I reach that happy place, and be forever blest,
When shall I see my Father's face, and in his bosom rest.**

Chorus

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BENEDICTION

"Peace be to the brothers and sisters, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ." Amen. (Ephesians 6:23)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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HIGHLIGHTS

Text these keywords to 860-467-0010 and follow the prompts. **PRAY:** To submit prayer requests to be prayed for weekly by staff and sent out to the congregation in our weekly prayer email. **PASTORCONSULT:** Confidentially set up a meeting with one of our pastors to discuss anything from a spiritual issue to interest in membership.

Saturday 3/19 | Mother/Son Pajama Dance Party: Our daddy/daughter dance was such a blast we figured why not throw something similar for our moms/sons!? All ages welcome. Light refreshments and fun will be provided. Join us in the fellowship hall at 6pm, and RSVP to jefferson@cpcnewhaven.org by March 17.

Friday 3/25 | “Taste of Heaven” Women’s Dessert Night: Join the ladies for a night out at The Elm City Club in Downtown New Haven (155 Elm Street, formerly The Graduate Club) from 7pm-9pm! We're having a little taste of heaven with an in-person evening of desserts. The cost to attend is \$12 and can be paid for in advance while registering for this event. Please contact Peggy Kebabian with any questions (kebabianp@gmail.com). Text **HEAVEN** to **860-467-0010** to register and pay, or visit cpcnewhaven.org/register. *"They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever."* (Revelation 22:4-5)

Save the Date for Impact Week June 27 - July 1 2022: Mark your calendars and consider taking time off from work to join CPC for a week of missions here in New Haven. As you heard at Mission Sunday we'll be hosting a Kids Performing Arts Camp at Edgewood School and doing local area mercy projects. More info and sign-ups to come!

Pray for the Conflict in Ukraine: As our attention turns to the conflict in Europe we remember our denominational missionaries and church planters serving in Ukraine with Mission to the World (MTW). As we become aware of the evil in our world in a jarring way, let us also be people who pray for justice to prevail in conflicts around our globe. See MTW updates and prayer needs at this link: <http://www.teamlviv.org/>

Stove and Microwave Needed for Fellowship Hall: We need a 30" electric stove in good order to replace our malfunctioning one in the Fellowship Hall. The microwave (above the stove) also needs to be replaced. Are you remodeling or know of anyone looking to donate their old stove or have an extra microwave? Contact Elena at gerard.elena@gmail.com.

OPT-IN FOR TEXTING

Text HELLO to 860-467-0010!

You can now interact with CPC via text message! We're most excited about being able to text you relevant updates, and to make taking action even easier for you. To activate this, by law, you must opt-in first by texting us before we are able to text you (you can opt-out at any time). To get started simply text **HELLO** to **860-467-0010** and follow the prompts. Afterwards you can:

1. **Receive Broadcast Messages from CPC:** this is a one-way-only text where you will receive updates or important messages from CPC (this is not a group chat).
2. **Give In-Text:** Text **GIVE** to us and you'll be prompted to set up an account to securely store your credit card information so that you only need to enter it this first time. After this first time, you will be able to give solely through interactions in your text app (i.e. by texting in your donation amount, selecting funds, and setting the frequency.).
3. **Take Action:** Text these keywords to **860-467-0010** and follow the prompts.
 - **PRAY**: Submit prayer requests to be prayed for weekly by staff and sent out to the congregation in our weekly prayer email.
 - **PASTORCONSULT**: Set up a meeting with one of our pastors to discuss anything from a spiritual issue to interest in membership.
 - **SERMONQUESTION**: Send the pastors your sermon questions and they'll be back in touch with an answer.

Keep in mind, this is only our text number, our landline still exists at 203-777-6960 if you'd like to make a voice call. Opt-in today: Text **HELLO** to **860-467-0010**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March 20 | **Fellowship Lunch** | After Worship

Join us after worship to share a fellowship meal together.

March 25 | **"Taste of Heaven" Women's Dessert Night** | 7pm-9pm | Elm City Club

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April 2 | **Youth Hiking Trip** | Save the Date!

For details contact Jerry (jerry.ornelas@cpcnewhaven.org).

April 9 | **Spring Work Day with Breakfast Hosted by the Men's Ministry** | 8am B'fast/9am Work

Enjoy a hearty breakfast at 8am hosted by the Men's Ministry at CPC. Then join us for the morning to spring clean at 9am! This is the second of only two work days each year. There will be projects available for all skill levels and sizes of hands.

Save the Dates!

- Holy Week Evening Prayer Services | **April 11-14** | 9pm
- Good Friday Service | **April 15** | 7pm
- Kids Easter Egg Hunt in Westville | **April 16** | 11am
- Outdoor Easter Service in Westville & Membership Joining | **April 17** | 11am
- Duckpin Bowling Outreach & Fellowship | **April 23** | 1pm
- Congregational Meeting | **April 24** | 9:30am
- Impact Week | **June 27 - July 1**

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 or text PASTORCONSULT to 860-467-0010.

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 1pm: 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. 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 1pm 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!

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. Or you can text CONNECT to 860-467-0010 to get connected.
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 discuss how you've come to know Christ with the Shepherd Leaders.

CPC ONLINE

Subscribe to CPC Podcasts: Listen to our School of Discipleship classes, the Sunday Sermon, Compline Homilies, Smokin' Theologians, and other inspiring conversations with our pastors. Visit cpcpodcasts.org or subscribe wherever you listen.



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").



Apply for a Social Outreach Grant: Life Groups, Ministry Groups, or ad hoc groups of at least four people may plan fellowship/outreach events that encourage friends and neighbors to interact with the body of Christ! We have a designated amount of money to grant and applications will be accepted and granted on a rolling basis. Scan here to apply or visit cpcnewhaven.org/forms-and-handbooks.



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:

- **Pilgrim's Progress | Fellowship Hall** | We need encouragement to persevere in the faith! With so many distractions and sins in our lives, what a great time to read and pray through a Christian classic that is the 2nd best selling book of all time, after the Bible, Pilgrim's Progress by John Bunyan. We'll tackle topics like the cost of discipleship, despair, prayer, doubt, greed, battles we face in walking the road of faith, and many more! Read along with us if you'd like, but not necessary.
- **Just Prayer | Parlor** | 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!

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

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 and 4th Sundays 12:30pm-1:30pm | CPC

“Crossroads” is our bi-monthly youth gathering on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at CPC. 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 | Wednesdays | 12:00-1:00pm | Schwartzman Commons Elm Cafe

Calling all Yale undergrads! We love good questions and real theology here, so let's discuss the big topics together. This semester we're looking at key ideas in the New Testament. We'll meet at the Schwartzman Commons Underground Cafe. Email Craig (Craig.luekens@cpcnewhaven.org) for more details.

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

We're excited for our bi-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. We will occasionally be attending Compline on Wednesdays (8pm) and meeting as Grad students. So the Thursdays will be 3/17, 3/31, 4/7, and 4/21. 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.

- April 14 - "1984" and "Animal Farm" by George Orwell
- May 12 - "Lilith" by George MacDonald

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 7pm but location varies from week to week. Text Tyler Rice at 863-255-5138 or email tylerarice@gmail.com if you are interested in participating.

East Rock Life Group: The East Rock Life Group usually meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, either mid or late afternoon, 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 twice monthly: Once on Sunday at 1:00pm for a delicious lunch, fellowship and a time of prayer together, and the other time on a weeknight at 7:30pm for "Bible & Life," using Zoom to disciple one another through discussion of the sermon, the Word, or other resources. Please contact Jennifer (203-675-3268, jenandjen@att.net) with any questions or if you'd like to join us. We'd love to have you!

Trumbull Life Group: We meet the second Sunday of each month from 5-6:30 PM in Trumbull for a time of teaching and sharing of prayer requests followed by a meal. All are welcome to join us. Contact Heather Woolbert at 203-494-4805 for more information.

West Side Life Group: 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. We meet the second Sunday of the month at 4pm. Contact Cyndi Taylor at cynthiastaylor@gmail.com if you are interested in joining us!

