

Hot Off the Press! 11/8/15

I was a stranger and you welcomed me. Matt. 25:35

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For many "Travel is broadening" for its educational value. For my husband Barry and me, however, travel is a spiritual journey that God uses to prompt us to action. Our September visit to Germany and Poland was no exception. There images fill the international TV, newspapers and 'travelers' crossed our path. We knew that God was at work in mighty ways. There was no way to escape seeing that Europe was changing!

On Sept 6, I wrote to friends: "Occasionally we have seen signs of a healthy church, but much of Germany seems soulless. The flood of refugees from Syria and the east will be spiritually devastating unless the Church wakes up! We are just starting to see the flood. It will be huge. Like the past threats to Europe from the Mongolian and Ottoman hoards, Muslim easterners and the soulless westerners will collide in Europe. What a time in history."

We returned to Cincinnati and were amazed that there was a *news vacuum* on the European crisis except



for an occasional report of 'another boatload of refugees drowning in the Mediterranean.'

The CHPC Missions Team encouraged me to add requests for prayer and study to the church ePrayer emails. These included links to articles, photos and internet sites for more information — places to see the needs.

Oct 27th, Global Mission Worker Kathy Angi spoke to a group candidly about the 'refugee crisis' and gave specific ways in which 'strangers' are being welcomed.

The needs are astronomical. In this year alone, *more than 700,000 mostly Muslim people have crossed the Mediterranean fleeing war and persecution.* As winter approaches the influx is increasing — over 200,000 in October. The European Union is reeling and costs are mounting daily. One of my early questions to Barry was, "Are we witnessing the beginning of the death of the EU and of Christianity in Europe?" I pray not.

Learn more. Be encouraged in practical ways to pray and act. Join the ePrayer email alerts. Contact Sam Routzon: call (541-5676) or email (sroutzon@chpc.org). ePrayers also includes CHPC prayer needs.



The Church's Liturgical Year: Celebrating Reformation Day!

These are not *Trick or Treaters*. The day is correct however. What the world calls Halloween is a contraction of All Hallows' Evening or All Saints' Eve - the Western Christian feast of All Hallows' Day - honoring Christian believers who had died. 498 years ago on Oct 31, Martin Luther nailed his 95 theses on the door of All Saints Church, the Castle Church of Wittenberg Germany. God used Luther's *questions for discussion*, and his contemporaries to birth the Protestant Reformation and, in turn, the Roman Catholic Counter-Reformation. Christ's Church was renewed. Reformation Day is a reminder that all believers are 'saints' called to celebrate God's reforming of His Church today. That's no 'trick!'

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Three More Weeks of Grace

Our discussion groups on grace and the sermon series go for another three weeks, through November 22 during the Foundation Hour at 10:10am.

Ministry Center Basement:

Room A – Jinda Bowerman	Open
Room C – Beth Dryer	Open
Room E – Scott Rice	Open
Room D – Fran Kelley	At Capacity
Clubroom – Sue/Bob Wade	At Capacity

Ministry Center Floor 2:

Parent Lounge – Andrew Wells Open - For Parents of small children

On November 29 we will begin a three-week series of "Fast Food" classes that focus on Advent.

Children & Youth Helpers in Worship

Children ages Kindergarten through third grade are invited to a Children's Worship service each week. Start off with your families in both the 9am and 11:15am service, then listen for the announcement dismissing the kids to their special service. Just before the sermon, children will be dismissed to their special study and worship time.

This week's helpers are:
9:00am Jason M. / Sarah L.
11:15am Aidan M. / Nate S.
Rosebrook Family will greet

Next week's helpers are:
9:00am Waverly P.
11:15am Toby K. / Andrew Duke
Vander Veen Family will greet

8. sunday

8:00am	Morning Prayer	Prayer Room
9:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
10:10am	Foundation Hour	
	• Children's Classes	Barnabas Ctr
	• Jr. High	BC 204
	• High School	BC 205-206
	• Grace Groups	MC ACDF
	• Parent Grace Group	MC 2nd Floor
11:15am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
1:30pm	Adult Children of Alcoholics	Fireside Room
4:00pm	CRASH	BC 205 & 206
6:30pm	Huddles	BC 205 & 206

9. monday

6:00pm	Community Prayer Walk	House of Joy
6:30pm	Karate	Fellowship Hall

10. tuesday

9:30am	Tuesday AM Bible Study	Parlor
6:30pm	MEGABLAST	Great Hall
	Super Choir	Fellowship Hall
	Listening To One Another	W&A Area

11. wednesday

6:30pm	ACA Meeting	BC 203
7:00pm	Bi-Polar Support Group	Great Hall
	Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	Writers' Group	Fireside Room

12. thursday

8:30am	Prayer - Church & Community	Prayer Room
10:00am	Knitting Group	Atrium
6:15pm	Karate	Fellowship Hall
7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	Adult Children of Alcoholics	Club Room
7:30pm	Al-Anon	BC 201 & 202

13. friday

14. saturday

2:00pm	Praise Dancers	BC Lobby
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"LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION" POLICY
When parking, remember to keep your valuables and all parcels out of sight safely locked in your trunk. Thieves can even see through dark tinted glass. Don't tempt!

THANK YOU!

For 15 years, God has used *Tools for Schools* as practical means of expressing Christ's love and care for children

—this year over 13,000 children in 29 city schools — where many families are living below the 'poverty line.'

This year, *Tools for Schools* focused on Crayons and Cash for buying in bulk. "One of the *tools* in highest demand is crayons," said Bev Graves, Feast of Love Director, coordinator for Tools for Schools. "A box of 24 crayons costs about \$2 except during *Back-to-School* specials in July and August when boxes can be bought for 25¢. We had requests for 8500. Thanks to the generosity of members and friends from supporting churches, we were able to provide 2831 boxes. Next year, we will send out information at the beginning of the summer, so people can watch for sales and buy crayons."

"Spiral notebooks and crayons are the only item we cannot buy in bulk at terrific savings. For example, Elmer's Glue Sticks (14¢), Ballpoint pens (8¢), Pencils (6¢), Scissors (50¢) are prices obtained



by buying in bulk and having suppliers bid for our needs. So we are able to stretch a donation of \$20 to provide the Basic Tools for 2 ½ students.

On Aug 17, 29 volunteers distributed 104,174 items: 35,352 pencils,

14,110 pencils, 14,244 glue sticks, 5088 scissors, 2831 crayons, 15,750 spiral note-books, and 16,799 portfolios.



"God has indeed used the prayers for Tools For Schools, contributions of money and crayons and the efforts of volunteers to express God's love in a tangible way to local school children and their teachers. Thank you." — Bev Graves



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adult's Brunch after second service. Meet in atrium today after 2nd service. Call Chris 513-207-2603 or email Christopherknueven@yahoo.com

Writers' Meeting will be Wednesday, 11/11 at 7pm, in the Fireside Room. As always, all are invited.

Hope for the Upcoming Holidays Are you grieving the loss of a loved one and trying to navigate the upcoming holidays? Tuesday, November 17 from 4:30-5:30, Jan Johnson will lead the grief group with a focus on the holidays and grief. Group meets in the white house. Come to one or both of the groups. Questions: Contact the Care and Counseling Center at 541-5676, x1163.

College Hill Early Literacy Team is giving books to 0-5 year olds in College Hill and connecting with their parents. We were recently at the Pumpkin Patch and interacted with another 25-30 families. If you are interested in literacy and building relationships with families in College Hill please let me know! Janet Dumford (541-8281 or janet3747@gmail.com) We are currently planning **Bedtime Story Nights** this Winter and another set of **Let's Read Together! Workshops** for Spring. We need greeters and helpers and even a presenter or two. Please listen if God is nudging you! We need your help to make these events happen. Thank you!

JOINING THE CHPC FAMILY If you are interested in becoming a member at CHPC. Our next New Member Orientation Classes are: Sundays January 10, 17, 24 and 31 at 10:10am. To sign up or have questions contact Michelle Hemsath 541-5676 Ext. 1123 or mhemsath@chpc.org or Pastor Dennis 541-5676 Ext. 1122 or dhall@chpc.org

CHILDREN AND YOUTH

MEGABLAST (4-6th grade) meets this Tuesday from 6:30-8pm in the BLAST Zone (Great Hall). Come for pizza, games, large group Bible story, small groups, and planning for the December FX Night!

The November Theme in BLAST (K-3) and MEGABLAST (4-6) is Service: "lending a hand to help someone else," and our memory verse is Matthew 5:16: "Let your light shine so others can see it. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will bring glory to your Father who is in heaven." Please pray this month that our children would learn to follow Jesus' example of serving others. For more information on what kids are learning as well as ideas on how to engage with them on this subject, check out the Parent Cue on chpc.org/forms.

Parents of elementary age kids group/class will meet during the Foundation Hour in the parent lounge of the ministry center (take the elevator in the atrium to floor 2), and will be going over the material on grace that the rest of the church is studying.

Fall Retreat for grades 7-12 is November 13-15th. This year's theme is Entourage: Surrounding yourself with the right people. This event is for everyone in 7-12th grade, and can be a great opportunity for you to invite some new friends to our group. Registration forms are at the front desk and by the CRASH room, and are due today! Talk to Andrew about scholarships that are available.

CRASH (7-9th grade) meets today from 4-5:30pm in the CRASH room. Come for snacks, games, large group Bible study, and small groups.

Huddles (10-12th grade) are tonight from 6:30-8:30pm in the CRASH room. Huddles are groups of students learning what it looks like to be a disciple of Jesus who makes disciples of Jesus. Come check out what a huddle is all about, and see if you want to commit to one tonight.

SERVING IN OUR COMMUNITY

Feast of Love ordered our first 10 beds for the Sleeping Sound program!!!! Two of the beds will be going to a family from Pleasant Hill Academy and 7 will go to a family from Elmwood Place Elementary. The last bed is yet to be determined. God is Good!!!

Feast of Love Thanksgiving needs - Donations of Turkeys (sliced) and Hams (sliced). #10 Cans of Green Beans, #10 Cans of Applesauce and LOTS of DESSERTS! Please sign-up in Atrium.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Gingerbread Shoppe Please come join us on Saturday, Nov. 21st for the 32nd annual Gingerbread Shoppe Craft Show and luncheon. The Gingerbread Shoppe will run from 9:30am to 3:30pm and will include more than 85 crafters and vendors, a delicious lunch, a huge bake sale, and a coffee bar. Come on out and shop, eat, and relax. All proceeds go directly to 3C's scholarship fund. Come have a great time and support a great cause!

SERVING IN WORSHIP & ARTS AT CHPC

Calling All Instrumentalists How about a CHPC orchestra for Christmas Eve? Calling all orchestra instrument players - woodwind, brass, string, timpani: Email Mike Parker at mparker@chpc.org with your questions or interest.

Let's Fill the Choir for Advent The CHPC Chancel Choir will begin singing Advent music on Nov. 29. If you are a past choir member or have considered singing in the choir, the Advent season is a wonderful time to participate. The choir rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7-9 pm. If you have questions or would like more information, email Mike Parker at mparker@chpc.org or join us this Thursday evening in the Sanctuary for rehearsal as we begin Advent and Christmas music.

LET EVERYTHING THAT HAS BREATH...SING

Worshipping God through Music
Calling Singers and Musicians

What: Open Auditions: CHPC Worship/Praise Team
When: Tuesday November 17 @ 7pm
Where: CHPC Sanctuary

For more information please contact Pastor Dennis at 541-5676 ext. 1122 or dhall@chpc.org

Prayer Page

"... without ceasing I remember you
always in my prayers,"
Romans 1:9

CHPC Community

Sue Wade	Bob Wade
Diane Wagner	Mike Wagner
Lynn Walden	Becky Warren
Ursula Wall	Donald Wall

Staff

Marybelle Chapman - Missions Coordinator

Officers/Leadership

Kathy Spelman- Deacon

Home Bound/Health Center

Patsy Robinson

Ministries

BLAST

Global Workers

In the Military

Adam Steveley US Army	Chris Jaeger USMC
Cary Jaeger USMC	Kirk Kalmbacher US Coast Guard
Zach Scharf Army National Guard	Nyjoel Baker US Air Force
Danny Holian US Navy Pilot	Will Connor US Army
Joey Nieberding US Army	Peter & Amanda Leugers US Navy

College/Career Students

Victor Onyegbulum Tim Rice

Congratulations

to Erin and Mike Aschbrenner on the birth
of their daughter Ava Elaine on Nov. 3.
Proud grandparents are Elaine and Art Stattman.



November 8, 2015

GRACE

Sufficient... Grace

Preaching: Rev. Dennis Hall

Welcome to College Hill Presbyterian Church

Thank you for worshiping with us today. Single, married, with children or not, there are many opportunities for knowing Christ, worshiping, personal growth and discipleship, service and ministry within the church and beyond the walls.

Visitors - Stop by the welcome table or the desk in the Atrium to find out more about College Hill Presbyterian. Return and become part of this dynamic Church Family.

Upcoming Services

Nov. 15	GRACE - Delivering... Grace
Nov. 22	GRACE - Truth... Grace
Nov. 29	1st Sunday of Advent - New Series Begins FEAR NOT - Ordinary People

Today's Order of Worship

Prelude
Call To Worship & Opening Prayer
Songs of Praise
Time of Confession & Forgiveness
Song of Response
Welcome Guests / Dismiss Children
Passing the Peace
Scripture & Sermon
Pastoral Prayer
Baptism (2nd Service)
Offering / Closing Song
Announcements
Charge and Blessing
Postlude

Available Help

Ushers have copies of the song lyrics for the 9am service. Ushers can also provide help with wheelchairs and equipment for hearing assistance. Handicapped accessible restrooms are located off the exit hallway to the right side of the main platform. This exit also leads to handicapped parking spaces.