

### **This Sunday at CMPC...**

This Sunday Pastor John looks at *Turn the World Upside Down!* from Acts 17.1-9, completing our six-week mini-series *The Future is as Bright as the Promises of God*. Then on Sunday evening Pastor John will be looking at Genesis 46 and *Jacob: Into the Unknown* in our series *Joseph: When Dreams Come True*. Please remember that there will be a congregational meeting after the 830 service to concur with Pastor John's retirement.

Sunday morning's hymns focus on the gospel and our great God. There will be two 21<sup>st</sup> century hymns, a classic early 20<sup>th</sup> century hymn, and a classic 18<sup>th</sup> century hymn. The new hymns are *Behold, Our God* from the Sovereign Grace team, and *Come, People of the Risen King* from the Townend/Getty team. The classic hymns are J. Wilbur Chapman's 1910 hymn *Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners* and Augustus Toplady's 1776 hymn *Rock of Ages*. Stephen Nichols reminds us about the *wonderful line in Rock of Ages that tells us how Christ is the "double cure" for our sin. The guilt of our sin puts us under the wrath of God, and the power of sin causes us to do things we don't want to do. But Toplady has us clinging to Christ, that rock of ages who is our double cure, freeing us from both sin's power and sin's guilt.* All four hymns have rich words to sing about our great God.

Pray that God will be honored as we worship him this week... and pray that he would be pleased to send revival on his church!

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*CMPC Sermon Notes* ♦ **Series:** *The Future is as Bright as the Promises of God*

**Text:** Acts 17.1-9 ♦ **Message:** "Turn the World Upside Down!"

#### **The People God Uses**

- The original disciples
- Paul, Silas, Timothy

#### **The Method God Uses**

- People going deliberately with the gospel to new cities.
- Proclamation of the scriptures for three Sabbath days.
- Methodology
  - He reasoned from the scriptures: the message was bible based
  - Explained- Luke uses only one other time: Jesus to the disciples on the Road to Emmaus
  - Proved- setting out in order and displaying

Note: God's word- Deuteronomy 32.46-47; Ezra 7.10; I Thessalonians; Psalm 1

#### **The Message God Uses**

- Gospel
- Jesus the Messiah
- Suffering and resurrection

#### **The Impact God Uses**

- Response from: some Jews, lots of Gentiles, women
- Jealous response
  - Opposition arises, mob hired
  - Sets the city in an uproar.
    - This is AD 50, and Claudius had expelled all the Jews from Rome following riots associated with Jews and Christians. Very likely the Jewish opposition would have pointed to this as a way to get rid of Paul
- Charge: Turning the World Upside Down
  - Another King: Jesus

- Blasphemy from the Jewish viewpoint; treason for a Roman
- The upside down gospel of the kingdom
  - What Nebuchadnezzar saw, Daniel
  - The people disturbed
  - The gospel is a game-change
- Radical change evident
  - Turned from idols
  - Become people of hope
  - Turned from sexual immorality
  - First century pagans viewed death with horror.
  - Persecution's reality- the world thinks that will stop the gospel; history shows just the opposite.
  - Quiet lives

***So What About Us?***

- A history mystery
- God doesn't send everybody; those not sent must become senders
- Lifestyle different... quiet, pure, holy, identifying with Christ.

*CMPC seeks to glorify and enjoy God forever by equipping God's people to become disciples who exalt God and engage his world. We want God to work through us to turn the world upside down for the gospel.*

## WORSHIP OF THE LIVING GOD

AUGUST 27, 2023

### GATHERING TO WORSHIP

#### Prelude

*As we quiet our hearts for worship, please  
silence all phones and electronic devices.*

#### Welcome and Announcements

Ben Phillips,  
Pastor of Ministries

#### The Song of Ascent

*God's people sang together as they gathered and  
traveled together up to Jerusalem to worship God.*

### ADORATION OF GOD

**Call to Worship:** "May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you!"  
Psalm 67.1-3

#### Congregation

*Behold Our God*

Who has held the oceans in His hands?  
Who has numbered every grain of sand?  
Kings and nations tremble at His voice  
All creation rises to rejoice

#### Chorus:

*Behold our God seated on His throne  
Come, let us adore Him  
Behold our King—nothing can compare  
Come, let us adore Him*

Who has given counsel to the Lord?  
Who can question any of His words?  
Who can teach the One who knows all things?  
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?

Who has felt the nails upon His hands?  
Bearing all the guilt of sinful man  
God eternal, humbled to the grave  
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign

(Men) You will reign forever  
(Women) Let Your glory fill the earth

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### Invocation

#### Declaration of Truth:

I Thessalonians 1.2-10

Leader: We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers,

**All: remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.**

Leader: For we know, brothers loved by God, that he has chosen you, because our gospel came to you not only in word,

**All: but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction...**

Leader: for you received the word in much affliction, with the joy of the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For not only has the word of the Lord sounded forth from you in Macedonia and Achaia, but your faith in God has gone forth everywhere, so that we need not say anything.

**All: For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.**

#### Hymn of Praise

*Come, People of the Risen King*

Come, people of the Risen King,  
Who delight to bring Him praise;  
Come all and tune your hearts to sing  
To the Morning Star of grace.  
From the shifting shadows of the earth  
We will lift our eyes to Him,  
Where steady arms of mercy reach  
To gather children in.

Refrain: *Rejoice, Rejoice! Let every tongue rejoice!  
One heart, one voice; O Church of Christ, rejoice!*

Come, those whose joy is morning sun,  
And those weeping through the night;  
Come, those who tell of battles won,  
And those struggling in the fight.  
For His perfect love will never change,  
And His mercies never cease,  
But follow us through all our days  
With the certain hope of peace.

Come, young and old from every land -  
Men and women of the faith;  
Come, those with full or empty hands -  
Find the riches of His grace.  
Over all the world, His people sing -  
Shore to shore we hear them call  
The Truth that cries through every age:  
"Our God is all in all!"

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### CMPC MISSION AND FAMILY LIFE

#### Reception of New Members

#### Pastoral Prayer

*Blest Be the Tie that Binds*

Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love;  
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.

#### EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE 6:30PM

Tonight Pastor John looks at Genesis 46 and

*Jacob: Into the Unknown* from our series *Joseph: When Dreams Come True.*

Next Sunday evening the Bulgaria team will report.

### OUR GIFTS TO GOD

#### Receiving God's Tithes and Our Offerings

*Please pass and sign the registration pad in the hymnal rack.*

#### The Gift of Music

*Now Unto Him*

Choir & Orchestra

*The Doxology and Prayer*

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

#### Hymn of Testimony

*Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!*

#498

*(Children ages 3 thru 3rd grade may be escorted to Children's Church)*

Jesus! what a Friend for sinners! Jesus! Lover of my soul;  
Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

Refrain: *Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend!  
Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.*

Jesus! what a Strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him.  
Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my Strength, my victory wins.

Jesus! what a Help in sorrow! While the billows over me roll,  
Even when my heart is breaking, He, my Comfort, helps my soul.

Jesus! what a Guide and Keeper! While the tempest still is high,  
Storms about me, night overtakes me, He, my Pilot, hears my cry.

Jesus I do now receive Him, More than all in Him I find.  
He hath granted me forgiveness, I am His, and He is mine.

### PROCLAIMING THE WORD OF GOD

#### Reading of God's Word

Acts 17.1-9

Pew Bible, p. 926

**All: The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God will stand forever.**

#### Prayer of Illumination

#### Sermon

"Turn the World Upside Down!"

Pastor John

*Series: The Future is as Bright as the Promises of God*

### OUR RESPONSE

#### Prayer of Application

#### Hymn of Response

*Rock of Ages*

#500

Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee;  
let the water and the blood from thy riven side which flowed,  
be of sin the double cure; cleanse me from its guilt and pow'r.

Not the labors of my hands can fulfill thy law's commands;  
could my zeal no respite know, could my tears forever flow,  
all for sin could not atone; thou must save, and thou alone.

Nothing in my hand I bring, simply to thy cross I cling;  
naked, come to thee for dress; helpless, look to thee for grace;  
foul, I to the Fountain fly; wash me, Savior, or I die.

While I draw this fleeting breath, when mine eyelids close in death,  
when I soar to worlds unknown, see thee on thy judgment throne,  
Rock of Ages, cleft for me, let me hide myself in thee.

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### The Benediction and Threefold Amen

Serving Christ at CMPC August 27

Lock-up	Andy Jobson and Steve Wentz
<b>8:30am</b>	
Ushers	Norb Fichter, Dan Freeman, Tom Gaston, Ron Marler, Randy Green, Bob Burdette
Greeters	<i>Sign up at <a href="http://cmpca.org/greeters">cmpca.org/greeters</a></i>
Infants/Toddlers	Susan Moore
Children's Church	Andy Jobson
Junior Assistants	William Jobson
<b>11am</b>	
Ushers	Steve Wentz, Kerry Cook, Jerry Lewis, Kurt Puterbaugh, Caleb Burkhardt, James Hinds
Greeters	<i>Sign up at <a href="http://cmpca.org/greeters">cmpca.org/greeters</a></i>
Infants/Toddlers	Craig and Jennifer Cash
Children's Church	Nancy Cunningham
Junior Assistants	Audrey and Abigail Cunningham
<b>6:30pm</b>	
Nursery	
<b>Today</b>	<b>This Week at CMPC</b>
8:30am, 11am	Worship Services
10am	Sunday School
6:30pm	Sunday Evening Worship
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Wednesday Night Alive</b>
5:30	Meal
6:30	Orchestra Choir WNA Classes Nursery Youth Group



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