

Worship at Birchwood

We invite you to join with us this morning in a time set aside to focus our attention on the God who has created us and restores us as a people of faith, hope and love. It is our prayer that we might all know God's joy in our lives and begin this new week refreshed and rejuvenated in our walks of faith.

February 7, 2010

Welcome and Announcements

Worship in Song:

"Holy Is the Lord"

"Surrender"

"Grace Like Rain"

"Reign In Us"

Children's Moment

Scripture Reading:

1 John 2:20-3:3 Pew Bible Page 1208

Message:

"Brilliant Preachers With No Jesus"

Song of Response:

"As It Is In Heaven"

Lord's Supper

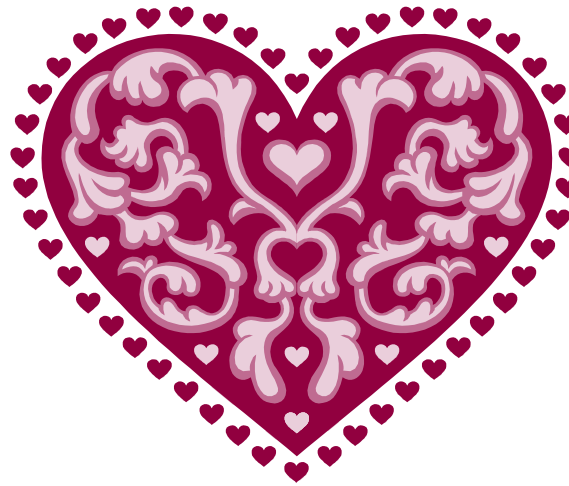
Offertory:

"How Amazing!"

(All songs are used by permission: CCLI#142455)

Please Note:

*Children, through 5th grade, are dismissed after the Children's Moment for Activity Hour. *You are invited to stand during the opening songs, but please feel free to sit down at anytime if needed. *Printed texts of the songs to be sung are listed in the large print bulletins which are available from the ushers upon request. *If you would like to pray with someone after the service, a prayer team will be available up front.



Valentine Social

Attention All Young Couples!
Saturday, February 13
6:30 to 9:30 pm

You and your spouse (or significant someone) are invited to attend a Valentine Social on February 13, 2010, 6:30-9:30 pm at BPC, for a light Asian-inspired buffet and Movie Night.

A special café will be set up for you in the main foyer. Following the Buffet will be the movie "Fireproof" in the Worship Center. A special Valentine dessert will be served following the movie.

Cost is \$10.00 per couple and can be paid in advance or at the door. Reservations will be taken following worship on January 31, and February 7. If childcare help is needed babysitting can be arranged at no cost in your home. For more information or to place your reservation by phone, please contact: Jen Zimmerman at 738-4015 and/or Jackie Schoonover at 733-1402 Reservations are required and should be in by February 10.

Celebration of Worship
February 7, 2010
10:15 am



If you want to go to Disneyland after only seeing photos, how much more will you want to go inside when you see it from the entrance? The same goes for becoming like Jesus. How much more will we become Him when we see Him as He actually is?

**We offer Hope, Community,
Acceptance and Purpose
in a broken world.**

Welcome!

What's Happening at Birchwood:

Opportunity to Serve Forms: It is not too late to fill out and turn in your Opportunity to Serve form. Forms are available at the Welcome Center or you can fill it out on-line at www.bpchurch.org

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers): MOPS is a dynamic program designed to nurture mothers with children from infancy through kindergarten. MOPS is dedicated to the message that "mothering matters." Mothers meet in the Palm Room for a time to fellowship, learn and craft while their children are well cared for in the nursery. We meet the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from 9:30 am - 11:30 am. The next meeting is **February 9**.

Guatemala Informational Meeting: Interested in being a part of the BPC Guatemala Team? Then please attend the meeting at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, **February 9** in the Library.

Cancer Support Group: Birchwood's cancer support group will be meeting on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 9:30 am in the Cedar Room. This group is open to all cancer patients in treatment or remission and for support people. The next meeting will be **February 10**.

Birchwood 101! Birchwood 101, an informational class for those interested in membership at Birchwood or for those who just want to learn more about what Presbyterians believe, will be held on three consecutive Sundays: **February 14, 21 and 28** from 9:00 to 10:00 am in the Cedar Room. For more information on this class please contact Bud Lee.

Seasonaires in February! Come to Seasonaires, a fellowship group for those 55 and over, on Tuesday, **February 16**, at 5:30 pm for a dinner and a program featuring a travelogue of the Holy Land by Byron and Becky Elmendorf. Music will be provided by the First Presbyterian Quartette. Cost is \$5.00. Contact Bud Lee for more information.

30 Hour Famine: All middle school and high school students are invited to participate in the 30 Hour Famine **February 26 and 27**. We will be teaming up with Cornwall Church to experience hunger and serve those who feel it often. Everyone is invited to sponsor participating students with financial donations. All proceeds will go towards World Vision's hunger relief programs serving children and hurting families in Haiti. For more info talk to Pete or Sarah or visit www.30hourfamine.org.

Join the Second Saturday Team! Would you like to be a part of a group that serves our community on the second Saturday of each month? Past projects have included Habitat for Humanity, The Bellingham Food Bank, Whatcom Volunteer Center, We Care and more! To join the team please contact Sharon Stahl at 715-2842 or dsonlynn@q.com

Trumpet Players Needed! Please contact Mary Walsh 733-8860 ext. 209 or mary@bpchurch.org if you are interested in playing trumpet in the worship band on Easter Sunday, **April 4**.

Birchwood Ambassadors Wanted: All you need is a love for others, a warm smile, a friendly handshake and the willingness to welcome others to BPC. See Lynne or Ed Hoessman if you can volunteer on Sundays at the Ambassador Desk in the Foyer, couples welcome.

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for BPC's Vacation Bible School to be held **July 12-16**. This is a summer event your child will want to attend!

Are You New to Birchwood?

If you are new or visiting Birchwood today then come and visit our Birchwood Ambassadors at the Welcome Center, the one with the bright flag! We would love to welcome you here, give you one of our water bottles and introduce you to what is happening here at Birchwood. We're excited that you're here! Please stop by!

This Week at Birchwood:

Today

9:00 am Education for All Ages
10:15 am Worship Service, Worship Center

Monday

6:55 pm Bible Study Fellowship

Tuesday

6:30 am Early Bird Women's Bible Study, Almond Room
9:30 am MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers), Palm Room
10:00 am Bible Study, Cedar Room
1:00 pm Staff Meeting, Cedar Room
5:30 pm Session Meeting, Cedar Room
7:00 pm Guatemala Informational Meeting, Library

Wednesday

9:30 am Cancer Support Group, Cedar Room
6:30 pm MS & HS Youth Group, Youth Rooms
7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal, Chapel
7:00 pm The Alpha Course, Linvog home

Thursday

9:30 am Congregational Prayer, Library
6:30 pm Compass/CHAT

Friday

6:30 am Men's Breakfast, Palm Room

Saturday

8:30 am Second Saturday
6:30 pm Valentine Social, Worship Center Foyer

Mission Prayer Focus:

Pakistan Correspondence Institute and Recording Ministries reach out to all the people in this war racked country and many people are seeing hope in Jesus Christ.

"Prayer and Care" Board this Week:

Joyce Wilson and Family Dorothy Benner Marlene Zei
Charlotte Murray Nathan Knudson

Adult Education Classes!

How would you like to take part in a group and stay in it as long as you want? Get to know the others, make friends, learn and profit from a variety of different subjects and teachers? This is the new look for Adult Ed, and we welcome you to join us!



Group A: "The Parables of Jesus"

Bruce Becker, Chapel

Pastor Bruce Becker will be presenting his material on the parables.

Group B: "Emotionally Healthy Spirituality"

Dave Ruble, Palm Room

Using a workbook based on Pete Scazzaro's book, "Emotionally Healthy Spirituality", Dave Ruble will be teaching on the vital role our feelings have within our spiritual lives. As Christians we often neglect our more "difficult" feelings such as fear, sadness, shame, anger, hurt, and pain, which often lead to devastating results.

Group C: "Romans 12"

Mary Becker, Alder Room

Mary Becker will be presenting a study on Romans 12. When Mary's mother became a Christian around age 40, the Lord directed her to Romans 12, and her study notes on this important chapter are the basis for Mary's presentation, beginning today.

Group D: "History of the Early Church"

Mike Pooleon, Almond Room

Among the topics covered will be the spread of the faith, the identification of the books of the New Testament and why we can rely on the fact that they were apostolic in origin, the major persecutions, major heresies of the early centuries, conversion of the Roman Empire, and more.

February Memory Verse:

When they (the disciples) had rowed three or three and a half miles, they saw Jesus approaching the boat, walking on the water, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; don't be afraid." John 6:19-20