



THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

KCPC This Week

"Knowing the love of Christ together with all the saints." - Eph. 3:18-19

Week Ending January 14, 2017



Upcoming Events—Lord willing!

Prepare for Worship: Your pastor and elders encourage you to spend time in prayer each Saturday evening, preparing your hearts for the Lord's Day and praying for the worship of our God. Pray for the Holy Spirit's blessing on the preaching of the Word and our fellowship!

Women's Bible Studies: Evening study meets on 1st and 3rd Tuesday nights at 7pm, starting a new book, *The Weight of Glory* by C.S. Lewis, on January 17th. For more information contact Margaret Biggs at missmargaretbiggs@comcast.net. Daytime study meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 12-2, studying *A Woman's Wisdom: How the Book of Proverbs Speaks to Everything*. Contact Joanie Leake for more information at J2Leake@gmail.com. All women are invited to attend either or both!

Men's and Boy's Breakfast: Join us from 8:30-10 am on Saturday, Jan. 21st for food, fellowship and discussion of J. C. Ryle's classic "Thoughts for Young Men".

Baptism of James Benjamin Vermette: Praise God for the safe arrival of our newest covenant child, who will be baptized this Lord's Day, January 15.

Congregational Memory Verses 2017: Our memory verses for this year as a congregation will be Numbers 23:19 and John 14:13-14. Pastor Biggs will exhort us from these passages in an upcoming sermon.

January Home Fellowship: This month's fellowship meal will be at the church this Sunday, January 15, following worship. Sign up to bring food to share: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0e48aeac2fa02-january1>

No Young Adult Fellowship in January.

Catechism Memorization: Your pastor and elders encourage everyone to memorize and/or review the Shorter Catechism in this new year. Pastor Biggs will be continuing his commentary on the Shorter Catechism in future issues of the Shepherd's Voice in the "From Your Pastor" section.

Study the Westminster Confession of Faith online!

Locust Street Film Night: Join us for dinner and a viewing of Walt Disney's *Pinocchio* (1940) at 6 pm on Friday, January 27th (film at 7).

Boardwalk Chapel Evangelism Trip: Make plans now for July 29-Aug. 5. Pastors Flora, Brooking, Biggs and Proctor are taking a group this year. Contact Pastor Biggs by March 31st if you have questions or plan to go: crbiggs@comcast.net

*God is not man, that he should lie, or a son of man, that he should change his mind.
Has he said, and will he not do it? Or has he spoken, and will he not fulfill it?*

-Numbers 23:19 (ESV)

"These Inward Trials"

(John Newton)

Pastor Biggs encourages the families of KCPC to memorize this in the new year.

*I asked the Lord that I might grow
In faith, in love, in every grace;
Might more of His salvation know,
And seek more earnestly His face.*

*I hoped that on some favored hour
At once He'd answer my request,
And by His love's constraining power
Subdue my sins, and give me rest.*

*Instead of this He made me feel
The hidden evils of my heart,
And let the angry powers of hell
Assault my soul in every part.*

*Yea more, with His own hand He seemed
Intent to aggravate my woe;
Crossed all the fair designs I schemed,
Blasted my gourds, and laid me low.*

*“Lord, why is this?” I tremblingly cried;
“Wilt Thou pursue Thy worm to death?”
“Tis in this way,” the Lord replied,
“I answer prayer for grace and faith.”*

*“These inward trials I employ
From self and pride to set thee free,
And break thy schemes of earthly joy,
That thou may'st seek thy all in Me.”*

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

-John 14:13-14 (ESV)

THIS LORD'S DAY

Sermon

The Washing of Regeneration

- Pastor Charles R. Biggs

Scripture Lesson: Ezekiel 36:25-27; John 3:3-8

Scripture Text: Titus 3:4-7

Theme of Sermon/Worship: *Baptism, the sign of the New Covenant entrance into the covenant community, signifies the work of the Holy Spirit through the Lord Jesus Christ, to the glory of God the Father!*

Hymns

1. All People That on Earth Do Dwell, 1
2. Thy Works, Not Mine, O Christ, 524
3. Gracious Spirit, Dwell with Me, 335

Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.

-John 3:5

*"Till God in human flesh I see,/ My thoughts no comfort find;/
The holy, just and sacred Three/ Are terrors to my mind./
But if Immanuel's face appear,/ My hope, my joy begins;/
His name forbids my slavish fear, His grace removes my sins."*

- Isaac Watts