### $I_{\rm N}\,C_{\rm HRIST}\,A_{\rm LONE}\,*$

In Christ alone my hope is found. He is my Light, my strength, my song. This Cornerstone, this solid ground, Firm through the fiercest drought and storm. What heights of love, what depths of peace When fears are stilled, when strivings cease. My Comforter, my all in all -Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone who took on flesh, Fullness of God in helpless Babe. This gift of love and righteousness, Scorned by the ones He came to save. 'Til on that cross as Jesus died The wrath of God was satisfied, For ev'ry sin on Him was laid -Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay -Light of the world by darkness slain. Then bursting forth in glorious day Up from the grave He rose again! And as He stands in victory Sin's curse has lost its grip on me, For I am His and He is mine -Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

No guilt in life, no fear in death, This is the pow'r of Christ in me. From life's first cry, to final breath, Jesus commands my destiny. No pow'r of hell, no scheme of man Can ever pluck me from His hand, 'Til He returns or calls me home -Here in the pow'r of Christ I'll stand.

**B**ENEDICTION \*

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"Do not come near; take your sandals off your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy ground."

~ Exodus 3:5

## $G_{\text{REETING}}$ and $A_{\text{NNOUNCEMENTS}}$

CALL TO WORSHIP \* Trinity Hymnal pg. 820

Psalm 98

HYMN #274 \* Thine Be the Glory

## GLORY TO GOD FOREVER\*

Before the world was made, Before You spoke it to be, You were the King of kings -Yes, You were, yes, You were! And now, You're reigning still, Enthroned above all things; Angels and saints cry out, We join them as we sing:

### Chorus:

(We sing) Glory to God, Glory to God, Glory to God forever! Glory to God, Glory to God. Glory to God forever!

> \* Stand as you are able **Bold Print** – speak together in unison

## $G_{\text{LORY}} T_{O} G_{\text{OD}} F_{\text{OREVER}} *$

Creator, God, You gave me breath, So I could praise Your great and matchless name All my days, all my days! So, let my whole life be A blazing offering, A life that shouts and sings The greatness of our King! (*Chorus*)

### Bridge:

Take my life, and let it be All for You, and for Your glory; Take my life and let it be Yours. Take my life, and let it be All for You, and for Your glory; Take my life and let it be Yours. (Chorus)

## INVOCATION \*

## $C_{\text{ONFESSION OF }}S_{\text{IN}}$

Our Father, forgive us for thinking small thoughts of you and for ignoring your immensity and greatness

Lord Jesus, forgive us when we forget that you rule the nations and our small lives.

Holy Spirit, we offend you in minimizing your power and squandering your gifts.

We confess that our blindness to your glory, O triune God, has resulted in shallow confession, tepid conviction, and only mild repentance. Have mercy upon us.

 $S_{\text{ILENT}} C_{\text{ONFESSION}}$ 

## Assurance of $P_{\text{ARDON}}$ Revelation 5:9-10

And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

Children's Sermon

## TITHES AND OFFERINGS

For parents who are interested in nursery care Children 3 and under may be brought to the nursery at this time. Please plan to pick your child up after the sermon.

CHOIR Song of My Heart

 $P_{\text{RAYER}}$ 

HYMN #726 \* Spirit of the Living God

Scripture Reading \*

Acts 6:8-7:60

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God!** 

SERMON "Bleeding Truth"

~Pastor Ian Hard

HYMN #654 \* O Jesus, I Have Promised

Communion

Offering

# Welcome!

Christ Church PCA is part of the body of Christ where the Word of God is taught, heard, and lived.

We provide a friendly place of worship for all people, minister to the needs and aspirations of our congregation, and extend Christian outreach to the community and the world.

More information about our church can be found at www.ccpcanh.org and on our Facebook page.

# News and Events in Our Church Community

### CHRIST CHURCH SERVICE TEAM

### April 15th

Greeter – Jason LaCombe Nursery – Teresa Saltsman Refreshments – Teresa Saltsman & Heather LaCombe

### April 22<sup>nd</sup>

Greeter – Sue Peterson Nursery – Pam Whitcomb Refreshments – The Gyamfi Family

### **CONGREGATIONAL MEETING:**

The elders have called a congregational meeting for **Sunday, April 15th**. There will be a dinner at 5pm, to be followed by the meeting. The purpose of the meeting is to provide financial and ministry updates, as well as to have a church-wide conversation about the ministry of the church. All those at the church are invited to come and participate in the discussion.

### **VBS VOLUNTEERING:**

It may seem a ways off, but Vacation Bible School will be here before we know it (July 9th-13th).

There are lots of ways the church can help prepare and participate in this important outreach. You can sign up on the sheet on the welcome table, or via the online form (available through the e-newsletter) where you'll find out more about how you can help.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sunday school meets every Sunday at 9:00 a.m. Classes for children, teens, and adults are available.

### CHOIR:

Choir practice is every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. Please see Gayle Troy with any questions.

### **REVIVAL PRAYER:**

Next meets on Wednesday, April 25th, at 7:00 p.m.

### **MEN'S BREAKFAST:**

Next breakfast is Saturday, May 12th, at 8:00 a.m.

### SMALL GROUP STUDIES:

A small group, led by Pastor Ian Hard, meets at the Hard home the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the month (*off on fellowship lunch Sundays*) at 6 p.m. to study the books of 2nd and 3rd John.

*If you are interested in attending, please contact Pastor Ian Hard at 319-855-2748.* 

A small group, led by Chris McMillan, meets at the LaCombe home each Sunday at 5:00 p.m. The study series is entitled "Shepherding Grace" and focuses on how to be intentional in our love for God and our neighbor through leadership.

*If you are interested in attending, please contact Jason LaCombe at 603-731-8991.* 

A men's small group, led by Mark Saltsman, meets at Havenwood (on Christian Avenue in Concord) every Tuesday evening at 6:30 p.m. for a topical study on the work of the Holy Spirit.

There are two women's study groups that will examine gospel-centered community.

Rebecca Hard will be hosting a morning study at the Hard home every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m.

Please let Rebecca know if you plan to participate.

Elaine Welch will be hosting an evening study at her home every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

Please let Elaine know if you plan to participate.

### "Bleeding Truth"

Pastor Ian Hard

April 15, 2018

Sermon Text: Acts 6:8-7:60

We need to receive the truth that...

1. We cannot contain God

2. We cannot take care of ourselves

3. We cannot obey God