

We are collecting items to include in the **Connections Care Packages** that will be sent in early April to all Connections students (16 students). If you would like to donate items to be included in the packages, please drop them off in the box located in front of the Connections bulletin board. We are collecting items such as candy, fruit snacks, granola bars, protein bars, gum, mints, etc. Thank you for your continued support of the Connections Ministry!

You are invited to take advantage of a **Lenten Study Video Series** produced by Ligonier Ministries, titled: The Assurance of Salvation. In this series, Dr. R.C. Sproul explores the doctrine of assurance as he helps to explain the relationship between the Christian life and the work of Christ Jesus on our behalf, which leads to an assurance of salvation. Join us on the following **Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM - March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and April 6<sup>th</sup>** in the Sanctuary.

**We are less than one week away from the Prom Dress Sale.** Don't miss out! Invite your family and friends! There are hundreds of dresses: prom dresses, bridal gowns, mother of the bride dresses, long and short cocktail dresses, formal cruise wear, shoes, jewelry and purses. We can always use volunteers for the day of sale which is **March 25<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 - 1:00 PM**. Sign-up for a volunteer shift that suits your schedule on one of the bulletin boards (in the Greeting Area and Lobby) or contact Nancy Hodges at 412-780-7239.

Mark your calendars and bring out your cookbooks. The **2017 Ethnic Food Fair** is scheduled for **Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 AM – 1:30 PM**. The funds we raise go to our ongoing missions, to support our mission partners like Wycliffe Bible Translators, Habitat for Humanity, FLM, VOICE (Victim Outreach & Intervention Center), the Pittsburgh Project and Cityview Church. We need your help! Let us know how you can contribute. You can help by: hosting a country table and preparing food for the event; helping out to prepare food for one of the countries (recipes provided by host), meeting and greeting guests, and/or help us set up or clean up. We hope you will consider helping in some way, and certainly mark your calendars to attend the event. If you would like to help, sign up on the bulletin board in the Greeting Area (next to Mission table).

Back by popular demand, we will once again be going to **Fun Fore All** for an **All-Night Lock-In on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**. Cost is \$25 per person which includes go-karts, batting cages, mini-golf, climbing tower, and non-prize games, as well as a pizza buffet and unlimited soft-drinks (You may bring additional funds for the prize games.) Arrive at the church at 9:30 PM, travel to Fun Fore All around 11:00 PM, and then parents will pick up directly from Fun Fore All at 7:00 AM on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Youth in grades 6-12 are invited to participate. Friends are more than welcome. **Please sign up and turn in your money by April 30<sup>th</sup>**. (Cash/checks payable to "CCUPC" and write "Lock-In" on the memo line)

**DON'T FORGET** that the **Scrip Gift Card Center** is open every Sunday before and after worship in the Greeting Area. You can purchase retail gift cards from the inventory, or place orders for specific cards that can be picked up the following week. Scrip cards allow you to support the mission of our church without spending any additional money. Order forms are available on the nametag table.

## THIS WEEK AT CCUPC

<b>Today</b>	<b>3/19</b>	<i>Pray for Kuwait</i>	
9:00 am		Sunday School NewComer's Class	Both Levels Pastor's Study
10:00 am		Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am		Coffee Social Village J	Greeting Area
11:15 am		Session Meeting	Conference Rm.
2:00 pm		Presbytery Leadership Training	All Over
6:30 pm		Middle/High School Youth Group	Lower Level
<b>Monday</b>	<b>3/20</b>		
7:00 pm		Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>3/22</b>		
6:00 pm		Prom Dress Sale Work Party <b>NO</b> Kids Choir Rehearsal Adult Choir Rehearsal	Lower Level Sanctuary
7:00 pm			
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>3/23</b>		
6:00 pm		Prom Dress Sale Work Party	Both Levels
7:00 pm		Lenten Study	Sanctuary
<b>Friday</b>	<b>3/24</b>		
6:00 pm		Prom Dress Sale Work Party	Both Levels
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3/25</b>		
8:00 am		Prom Dress Sale	Both Levels
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3/26</b>	<i>Pray for Kyrgystan</i>	
9:00 am		Sunday School NewComer's Class	Both Levels Pastor's Study
10:00 am		Worship	Sanctuary
11:00 am		Coffee Social Villages P & R	Greeting Area
6:30 pm		Middle/High School Youth Group	Lower Level

### A LOOK AHEAD AT OUR SCHEDULE:

- **Prom Dress Sale Set-Up** will begin on Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> through Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.
- The **Lenten Study** is on Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 PM.
- The **Prom Dress Sale** will be on Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:00 AM.
- Today is the last day to **pre-order** your **Munch-Munch-Dumpling "to-go" Lunch** that will be delivered next Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.
- The **Men's Breakfast/Bible Study** will be March 28<sup>th</sup>.

\*\*\*The 2017 Per Capita amount is \$43.34 per confirmed member\*\*\*

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March 19, 2017

## **SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP A WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION**

*The Third Sunday of Lent*

### IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

*"Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and extol Him with music and song."* Psalm 95-1-2

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

*"Draw Me Close"*

Linda Schuman

*"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him." Psalm 37:7*

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a green prayer card and pass it to the center aisle as they will be collected during the first hymn and included during the prayer time)

The Call to Worship

### WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE

\*A Hymn

*"My Jesus, I Love Thee"*

*My Jesus, I love Thee; I know Thou art mine.  
For Thee all the follies of sin I resign.  
My gracious Redeemer, my Savior art Thou:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

*I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me  
And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree.  
I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow:  
If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now.*

[Instrumental interlude]

*In mansions of glory and endless delight,  
I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright.  
I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow,  
"If ever I loved Thee, my Jesus, 'tis now."*

**WE WORSHIP IN PRAYER**

\*The Call to Confession

\*The Unison Prayer of Confession

**Holy God, in the light of Your holiness we see ourselves as we really are, and we are ashamed. We confess that we are people of impure thoughts and unclean lips; we think too highly of ourselves and too little of others. We cling so tightly to the treasures of this world that we cannot open our hands to receive blessings from above. Our feet follow the paths of sin; we wander so far astray that we become strangers to righteousness. Forgive us, and set us again on the path that leads to life. Deal with us not as we deserve, but according to Your mercy; not because we are worthy, but because You are gracious. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

\*The Assurance of Forgiveness

\*Glorifying God **“We Will Glorify”**  
**We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb.**  
**We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.**

The Joys, Concerns, and Prayers of God’s People

**The Lord’s Prayer**  
**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**WE WORSHIP IN GIVING**

Our Invitation to Give  
The Offertory

The Choir

**“He Looked Beyond My Fault”**

\*Praising God #556 **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings”**  
**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.**

\*The Prayer of Dedication

**WE WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION**

\*The Greeting *(Please share words of peace, encouragement, and hope)*

The Children’s Lesson and Prayer *(The children may come forward)*  
*‘The children 3 years old - Kindergarten may now leave for TLC out the back doors of the Sanctuary with Miss Gynni*  
*‘The children who are in 1<sup>st</sup> - 3<sup>rd</sup> grades may now leave for KFC out the back doors of the Sanctuary)*

The Scripture Lesson (page 2)  
Genesis 2:15-17, 3:1-7

The Sermon Pastor James M. Moran  
**“DON’T LISTEN TO THE SIRENS!”**

**GOING IN GOD’S NAME**

\*A Hymn **“Above All”**

***Above all powers, above all kings,  
Above all nature and all created things;  
Above all wisdom and all the ways of man,  
You were here before the world began.***

***Above all kingdoms, above all thrones,  
Above all wonders the world has ever known;  
Above all wealth and treasures of the earth,  
There’s no way to measure what You’re worth.***

***Crucified, laid behind a stone,  
You lived to die rejected and alone.  
Like a rose trampled on the ground,  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all.***

**REPEAT SONG**

**ENDING**

***Like a rose trampled on the ground  
You took the fall and thought of me  
Above all***

\*The Benediction

The Postlude

Worship Team

**“Jammin’ for Jesus”**

\*Please stand as you are able.

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*The flower vases are given by Karen Raman to the glory of God, and in loving memory of her father and brothers, Richard, Ray, and Glenn Giese, and Srini’s father, Bala Raman.*

*The basket of flowers is given by Mindy Cable to the glory of God, and in loving memory of her mom, Geneva Cable on the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of her earthly birthday, March 19, 1927.*

**Please keep these family members and friends in your prayers:**

Tasha Beaver (Lorraine & Ken Harbusch), Nick Bird (Stewart family), Ryan King (Cindy Miller), Sue Kirkland (Nancy MacFarlane), Barry Lavery (Dale & Diane Jacobs), Kim Long (Nancy Hodges), Jim Miller (CCUPC member), Harriet Murray (Bill Murray), Pat (Rick & Diane Alexander), Karen Raman (CCUPC member), the Blake Rue family (Tara & Mike Schmidt), Cheryl Semenko (CCUPC member), and Tim (Shirl Lonie).

**Are you New to CCUPC?** Visiting with us for the first time? We are excited you joined us for worship. To connect with us and learn more about our church family, text **WELCOME** to 724-906-4624. You are also encouraged to sign in on the registration pad passed in your pew and provide your contact information.

**I WAS JUST THINKING. . . By Pastor Jim**

I am happy to be home from study leave last week at the annual conference of Ligonier Ministries in Orlando, Florida. Our schedule of lectures, presentations, and worship times had us going twelve hours each day or longer. The lineup of speakers from a number of different countries was a blessing. More than once we were reminded of our need to know Christ intimately and to make him known to others. I found the following piece written by King Duncan that promotes the need to share Christ:

“A Mercedes-Benz TV commercial shows one of their cars colliding with a concrete wall during a safety test. Someone then asks a Mercedes engineer why their company does not enforce their patent on their car’s energy-absorbing car body. The Mercedes’ design has been copied by almost every other car maker in the world in spite of the fact that they have an exclusive patent. The engineer replies in a clipped German accent, ‘Because in life, some things are just too important not to share.’

“Wow! What a great statement. Some things are just too important not to share. As Christians we believe that the good news of Jesus Christ is one of those things that is too important not to share. No, that is an understatement. We believe that Jesus Christ **MUST** be shared with our friends, our neighbors, the world. The work of sharing the news of Jesus Christ we call evangelism. The Christian faith has been advanced through the ages by people who were willing to take upon themselves the responsibility of being evangelists - those who spread the good news of Christ.”

One need not be a Billy or Franklin Graham to share the Gospel. We all have a story to tell of the difference Christ has made in our lives, and it is incumbent upon us and for the sake of the Kingdom that we share that simple message and let God do the rest.

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**‘Tweeners Retreat**

Retreats are one of the most fun parts of our youth ministry programs! There is something special about being away, being with friends, and learning about your faith in a different environment. Youth in 4<sup>th</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to come away for a night, to have a short retreat, and to experience some of the fun of **Camp Crestfield on April 29 - 30<sup>th</sup>**. We will gather at the church on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> around 10:30 AM, and return on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> around 2:15 PM. Cost is \$75/person. All appropriately aged youth and their friends are welcome. We will need some parents to be willing to drive to and pick us up from Camp Crestfield, and we will also need at least one male leader to be able to participate. Additional leaders of either gender would also be welcome. (If cost is a concern, please talk with Pastor Dena. **DO NOT** let money be the only reason you don’t participate!) A sign-up sheet is available on the bulletin board in the Greeting Area. **Please sign up by next Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**.

The Mission Committee will sponsor the **Munch-Munch-Dumplings “To Go” Lunch next Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>**. Look for the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to preorder your lunch. Serving sizes: pint \$6, quart \$12, and 1/2 gallon \$24. Includes rolls and butter, and dessert will also be available at an additional cost. **You must pre-order by today!**