

victorious name! You have conquered all Your enemies in the triumph of Your cross. Enable us through Your Spirit to take up our crosses and celebrate with You extending Your grace to all those around us. Amen.”

Come to the prayer meeting **this morning at 6:30.**

Friday, 10/13 Read **Deuteronomy 10:12-22.** Now with a fuller understanding of the riches of having our hearts circumcised by the Holy Spirit, review God’s call in Deuteronomy. What do you see now that you perhaps had not before?

Sing Lord Most High.

Pray for God to keep reminding us of His great love for us. Ask Him to enable us to respond with devoted obedience and not obligatory chores. Beg of Him to enflame our hearts with joyful love for Him alone.

Saturday, 10/14 Read tomorrow’s passage **Deuteronomy 11:1-32** and discuss God’s mighty acts of redeeming us to Himself.

Meditate on the power of God’s character and acts of redemption for us.

“So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today-- to love the LORD your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul--then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your grain, new wine and oil. I will provide grass in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied. Be careful, or you will be enticed to turn away and worship other gods and bow down to them. Then the LORD’s anger will burn against you, and he will shut the heavens so that it will not rain and the ground will yield no produce, and you will soon perish from the good land the LORD is giving you. Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates, so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your forefathers, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.” 11:13-21

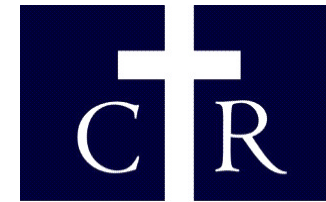
Prepare today for the gathered worship service tomorrow.

Sing *Shout To The Lord.*

Pray for your neighbors, co-workers, and family members who are still strangers to Christ that they will be overcome by His grace.

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Daily Devotionals

Have you ever cried out to God, “Lord, what do you want of me?!” Often it is not just that we don’t know what He wants, it is that we do not trust His care for us. We hurt and suffer and so we look to Christ and ask, “why?” in our struggle. This week we are looking at a passage addressing what God asks of us. It says we are to circumcise our hearts and not be stiff-necked any longer. It also says why God wants this of us—for our good and His glory because, inexplicably, He loves us. All of His commands, for us to fear Him, love Him, serve Him completely, walk in His ways, and observe all His law are tied up in the wonder of the gospel that He first loved us.

Please use the devotional material below each day this week to meet with Jesus. Please pray that we as a community of faith will learn His ways and walk in them to accomplish His purposes.

Sunday, 10/8 Read the context for today: **Deuteronomy 7:1-10:22** and consider God’s unique claim on all creation.

Sing the song Lord Most High¹

Men) From the ends of the earth, (Women echo)
“ from the depths of the sea, “ “
“ from the heights of the heavens “ “
(All) Your name be praised.

(Men) From the hearts of the weak, (Women echo)
“ from the shouts of the strong, “ “
“ from the lips of all people “ “
(All) this song we raise, Lord.

Chorus (All):
Throughout the endless ages
you will be crowned with praises,
Lord Most High.
Exalted in every nation,
sovereign of all creation,
Lord Most High,
be magnified, be magnified.

Pray saying, “Lord God all that we can see, touch, or taste is Yours. All the heavens, galaxies we have yet to even recognize belong to You. All that we have—our families, homes, possessions—is rightfully Yours. Forgive us for neglecting You with Your very own creation. Awake us from our slumber and allow us to see with eyes of faith the reality of Your creation. Lead us in reclaiming it for Your glory here in Portland, New England, and the world.”

Monday, 10/9 Read **Deuteronomy 10:12-22** and reflect on yesterday’s sermon. How will you apply that today? What decisions do you need to make? With whom do you need to talk? How will you pray to have the courage to apply His Word?

Confess your own rebellion and ways in which you have not done what the Lord requires of you.

Sing the *Doxology*.²

Praise God from whom all blessings flow
Praise Him all creatures here below
Alleluia, alleluia

Praise Him above, ye heavenly host
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost
Oh, praise Him, Oh, praise Him
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Pray for God’s glory to fill all His creation from here in Portland, to around the globe and to the highest heaven. Pray that He start with you and us.

Tuesday, 10/10 Read **Jeremiah 4:1-4**. How does this call to repentance continue to call of Deuteronomy? What does it mean to circumcise your heart?

Sing the song Shout To The Lord³

My Jesus, my Savior,
Lord there is none like You,
All of my days, I want to praise,
The wonders of Your mighty love.
My comfort, my shelter,
Tower of refuge and strength.
Let every breath, all that I am,
Never cease to worship You.

Shout to the Lord
All the earth let us sing,
Power and majesty praise to the King.
Mountains bow down and the seas will roar,
At the sound of Your name.
I sing for joy at the work of Your hands.
Forever I’ll love You, forever I’ll stand.
Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

(Repeat all)

Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.

Pray for CTR as a community of faith to be a people of circumcised hearts. Pray individually for people and families in this community of faith.

Wednesday, 10/11 Read **Romans 2:17-29** and consider what circumcision means. How is it done by the Spirit?

Meditate on “Such a man’s praise is not from men, but from God.”

Sing the *Doxology*.

Pray, “Heavenly Father, teach us to obey Your commands. Remove all obstacles from our joyful obedience. Enable us to respond to Your call with loving devotion. Amen.”

Sing Shout to The Lord.

Thursday, 10/12 Read **Colossians 2:6-15**. What is the reality that we are living in Christ? How does that triumph empower us?

Sing *Lord Most High*.

Pray “Almighty God, You have made us alive in Christ. You alone are God and worthy of our praise with all of our lives. We are rightfully Yours—doubly for You have both created us and redeemed us. Lord Christ, we praise Your