

# CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

## WELCOME

...to all our visitors! We would like to greet you and get to know you, so please join us for fellowship following the service. Also, please be certain to complete a Visitor Card (available on back table) and put it into the offering plate or give it to the pastor. Thank you for joining us for worship.

## OUR PURPOSE

...is to promote obedience to Jesus Christ, the only Redeemer and Lord, as he has revealed his will in the Holy Scriptures. A summary of what the Scriptures teach may be found in the Westminster Confession of Faith, and Larger and Shorter Catechisms, available upon request.

## CHURCH LEADERSHIP

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Walter Gilde  
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*Church Planter*  
*Elder*  
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| 3. Don't let kindness & truth leave<br>3. Bind them around your neck           | 4. Favor with God & people  |
| 5. Trust the Lord<br>5. Don't lean on your understanding<br>6. Acknowledge Him | 6. Straight Path            |
| 7. Don't be wise in your own eyes<br>7. Fear the Lord<br>7. Turn from evil     | 8. Healing & Refreshment    |
| 9. Honor the Lord  | 10. Peace / Prosperity      |
| 11. Don't reject Discipline / reproof  | 12. The Lord / father loves |

## Promise from Proverbs

Life & Peace  
Favor with God/People  
  
Straight Path  
Healing / Refreshment  
Peace / Prosperity

## Opposite

Conflict & Death  
Disrespected and ignored  
Difficult journey  
Pain / Exhaustion  
Turmoil / Poverty

Westminster COF 6.4 "From this original corruption, whereby we are utterly indisposed, disabled, and made opposite to all good, and wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions."

Conclusion

No Opportunity Wasted - By Phil Keoghan

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## Sermon Outline

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**Sermon:** What is the primary purpose of Proverbs?  
**Text:** Proverbs 3:1-12

1. Context
  - v. 1 “my son”
  - v. 11 “ my son”

2. Definitions

- A. Is it peace or prosperity?

“And peace they will add to you” (NAS)

“And bring you prosperity.” (NIV)

Shalom - “ this life as having every sufficiency and good fortune, free from hostility and lack, and so filled with inner contentment, delight, joy, and pleasure as a gift from God.”  
(Bruce Waltke)

- B. kindness/truth v. love/faithfulness

“Do not let kindness and truth leave you;” (NAS)

“Let love and faithfulness never leave you” (NIV)

The Hebrew word is Hesed

1 Samuel 20

3. Structure

There are 2 sides to this scripture text<sup>1</sup>

Admonishments / Conditions

1. Do not forget my teaching

1. Keep my commands

Promises

2. Life & Peace

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<sup>1</sup>Waltke, 239. I also added my own understanding into the structure, to be more complete.

## ORDER OF WORSHIP

July 3, 2005

**Prelude:** We invite you to prepare your heart for the worship of our God.

### Welcome and Announcements

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## Service of Praise

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### \*Call to Worship

Isaiah 40:28-31

<sup>28</sup> Do you not know? Have you not heard?

The LORD is the everlasting God,  
the Creator of the ends of the earth.

He will not grow tired or weary,  
and his understanding no one can fathom.

<sup>29</sup> He gives strength to the weary  
and increases the power of the weak

<sup>30</sup> Even youths grow tired and weary,  
and young men stumble and fall;

<sup>31</sup> but those who hope in the LORD  
will renew their strength.

They will soar on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not grow weary,  
they will walk and not be faint.

### \*Hymn of Praise

To God Be the Glory

N°055

### \*Prayer of Adoration

## Call to Renewal

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### \*Confession of Sin

Holy Lord, we are guilty--of pride and unbelief, of failure to find Your mind in Your Word, of neglect to see You in our daily lives. Our violations and shortcomings present our consciences with a long list of accusations, but they shall not stand! For we lay them all now on Christ, our sacrifice and advocate. Go on now, Lord, to subdue our weaknesses, granting us grace to live above them. Let us not be mastered by them, but now rule over us in liberty and power. We praise and thank You for Your wisdom and love, for sometimes putting us into the furnace to refine our gold and remove our dross. Deliver us from every evil habit, everything that dims the brightness of Your grace in us, everything that prevents us from taking our deepest delight in You, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### A Moment of Private Confession

#### Assurance of Pardon

2 Corinthians 5:17-18, 20

If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us.

#### \*+Hymn of Thanks

The Church's One Foundation

N°347

#### Scripture Reading

Hebrews 12:1-13

#### \*Prayer of Intercession

## Call to Commitment

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### Sermon

What is the primary purpose of Proverbs?  
Proverbs 3:1-12

### \*Hymn of Response

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

N°038

### Collection of Our Gifts to God and to His Church

#### \*Doxology

N°731

#### \*Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication

#### \*Confession of Faith

The Westminster Larger Catechism

*Question 12:* What are the decrees of God?

*Answer:* God's decrees are the wise, free, and holy acts of the counsel of his will, whereby, from all eternity, he hath, for his own glory, unchangeably foreordained whatsoever comes to pass in time, especially concerning angels and men.

*Question 13:* What hath God especially decreed concerning angels and men?

*Answer:* God, by an eternal and immutable decree, out of his mere love, for the praise of his glorious grace, to be manifested in due time, hath elected some angels to glory; and in Christ hath chosen some men to eternal life, and the means thereof: and also, according to his sovereign power, and the unsearchable counsel of his own will, ... hath passed by and foreordained the rest to dishonour and wrath, to be for their sin inflicted, to the praise of the glory of his justice.

#### \*Gloria Patri

N°734

#### \*Benediction

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+Young children may leave for nursery during the singing of this hymn.

## Announcements for July 3, 2005

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*If you have any announcements or prayer requests, please contact the Oquists.  
Phone: 603-881-3808, Email: announcements@nashuaapca.org*

**The Upper Room** is in need of non-perishable food and toiletry items. Please bring donations directly to the Upper Room at 36 Tolles St., Nashua, or give them to Denise Kingsley.

A **women's missional prayer group** is beginning. The first meeting will be from 1-2:30 pm on Tuesday, July 5 at the Wakefield's. Meetings will be weekly through the end of August. See Allison Wakefield for more information.

Please **sign up** to bring something to share for the church luncheon on July 24 after the service.

**Church luncheon summer schedule:** Church luncheons will be held after the services every other Sunday. The dates are July 10, July 24, August 7, August 21, and September 11. Luncheons on July 24 and September 11 will be held at the church. Luncheons on the other dates will be held at the Wakefield's house unless there is bad weather, in which case they will be held at the church.

**New Sunday School Class:** Dr. Richard Pratt, Professor of Old Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary, has a DVD series on Old Testament Prophets. We will be doing this series throughout the summer in preparation for a new sermon series in the fall. Come and join us!

**Summer Book Club:** You are invited to a summer book club (starting Sunday, July 10) where we will be reading and discussing *Ministries of Mercy* by Tim Keller. Jason has purchased the books so you will not need to go out and hunt for them. We will meet weekly for discussion and prayer. A great chance to be challenged this summer.

### **Childcare Schedule:**

July 3 – Linda Mason and Eric Newman

July 10 – Janet Dery and Aaron Brooks

July 17 – Denise Kingsley and Eric Newman

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*The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. He fulfills the desires of those who fear him; he hears their cry and saves them. The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy. My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD. Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.*

*Psalm 145:18-21*

**SUNDAY, JULY 3, 2005**