

Call To Worship

1 Chronicles 16:23-25

Songs

Adoration: "The Love Of God" – Lehman/Nehorai

Confession: "Ancient Of Days" – CityAlight

"Before The Throne Of God Above" – Bancroft/Cook

Scripture Reading

Psalm 5

Prayer

Sermon

"Ethics For The End" – Bradley Davis

1 Peter 4:7-11

**See page 2 for sermon notes.*

Song

Response: "Have Your Way" – Eddie Kirkland

Benediction

Colossians 3:12-15

ETHICS FOR THE END

1 PETER 4:7-11

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4 Marks Of Christian Living In Light Of The End

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EPHESIANS 4:1-3 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, ²with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, ³eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

3. **Christians are to be _____.** (v.9)

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COMMUNITY:

Joining a community group is the best way to truly be a part of Capstone! If you're not currently in a group and would like more information, visit our website or email Bradley@capstonechurch.org. Currently, community groups are creatively meeting via online platforms and group messaging apps.

VIRTUAL VBS 2020 (BACK TO SCHOOL FUN!)

Families, VBS is almost here! It's Sunday, Aug 2 – Wednesday, Aug 5. We'll have livestream worship at 6:30PM each evening via social media channels. Parents, look for a registration email on Monday, July 27 to register your kids and your VBS kits will be delivered to your doorstep this week! The KidMin team is hemming in details and packing your kits! And you can know that the Gospel, worship, yummy snacks, science experiments, compassion projects and even a scavenger hunt are coming your way just in time to get ready for another school year!

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FAMILY WORSHIP

1 PETER 4:7-11

DAY 1

Read 1 Peter 4:7

These verses start out sounding kind of gloomy: “the end of all things is at hand.” But Peter does not mean that some kind of doomsday event is about to happen. Rather, he means that God’s people are living in the last stage of redemptive history, between the resurrection of Christ and His return. Jesus promised to return again someday to usher in His kingdom and create a new heaven and earth. That day could happen tomorrow, next month, or 1,000 years from now.

Nobody knows when Jesus will return, but we know for certain that He WILL return, because God always keeps His promises. Because we know that Jesus will come again and judge the earth, we want to live in a way that honors Him. That means practicing self-control, obeying Jesus’ commands, and having regular communion with the Lord through prayer. When Jesus returns, we want to be found faithful to have followed Him with our whole heart.

PRAY that God would help you to practice self-control and honor Him as we wait for Jesus to return.

DAY 2

Read 1 Peter 4:8

Another way that we live in a way that honors Jesus is by loving other people. Peter said that we should love one another earnestly, because love covers a multitude of sins. Followers of Jesus might be different in many ways - they might come from different countries, speak different languages, or look different from each other. But they share the most important thing in common: their trust in Jesus Christ.

Peter says that our default attitude towards our brothers and sisters in Christ should be love. A love that is persistent, constant, and endures to the end. We should be resolved to love each other even in the midst of sin, mistreatment, or unfairness. That doesn’t mean we won’t sometimes have disagreements or need to confront one another, but we do those things in love knowing that Jesus first loved us.

THANK God for sending Jesus to be the perfect example of sacrificial love for us to follow.

DAY 3

Read 1 Peter 4:9

What do you think of when you hear the word “hospitality?” You might think of hosting people at your house for a Bible study, cleaning up a guest room to have someone spend the night, or cooking food for a person in need. All of those things are ways that Christians show hospitality to each other. Peter says that all Christians are to show hospitality - not just those who are especially gifted at it. As sojourners and exiles, we are all called to be hospitable to one another in Christ.

Peter says another thing about hospitality - we should do it “without grumbling.” That means it will not always be convenient. Sometimes it will require sacrifice and being inconvenienced for the sake of loving others. That might mean you have to give up your bedroom to let a guest sleep in or turn off the TV to help your parents cook or clean. Welcoming people into your home is not always convenient, but it is something the Bible tells us to do.

THINK about some ways you can show hospitality to people in your church who are in need.

DAY 4

Read 1 Peter 4:10-11

Finally, Peter says that we should use our different spiritual gifts to serve one another. Did you know that every Christian has at least one spiritual gift? Some examples of spiritual gifts include teaching, leadership, giving, hospitality, serving, and encouraging others. God gives each of us spiritual gifts that we might use them to build up the body of Christ and serve others. Our gifts are not meant to be displayed on a shelf but used frequently like a well-worn tool.

You may already have an idea of how God has gifted you. Perhaps you enjoy teaching younger kids, or collecting money for the poor, or praying for and encouraging people that are sick. Whatever it is, God can use it for His glory! You may have no clue how God has gifted you yet, and that is okay. The best way to find out is to start serving in the church, the body of Christ, and see what ways of service you enjoy the most and are able to point others to Jesus.

ASK your parents to tell you what ways they see God has gifted you to serve the body of Christ.