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"I am the Alpha
and the Omega,"
says the
Lord God,
"who is and was
and who is to
come,
the Almighty."

Revelation 1:8

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CONNECT, ABIDE, & EXTEND

FALL BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES

Connect with one another this fall at PCPC! The semester kicks off with All-Church Prayer on Sunday, September 10. Then be sure to find a weekday care group or Bible study for couples, women, men, children, and youth beginning September 11-15. Vespers and Midweek Dinner will begin on Wednesday, September 13. Registration and more is available on the PCPC app and website.

pcpc.org/events

FIRST FRIDAY/BEFRIEND

SEPTEMBER 8 | 6:00-9:00 P.M. | PRESCHOOL AREA

First Friday provides a parent's night out for families with students ages 3-18 with a disability, as well as their siblings. We provide a buddy for the evening one Friday night a month during the school year. Each evening has activities and a devotional led by a team member. bEfrend offers dinners for 8 for our adults with disability. To volunteer or participate, email jeanie.cox@pcpc.org.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 15-17 | SKY RANCH, VAN, TEXAS

Fall Retreat is designed to help middle school students grow in their relationship with Jesus and with each other. You can expect great Bible teaching, games, a silent disco, amazing activity options, and more! Register online today.

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DR. JEREMY BEGBIE LECTURE

SEPTEMBER 19 | 7:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Music and Arts welcomes Dr. Jeremy Begbie to PCPC! Dr. Begbie, a theologian, teacher, speaker and musician, is an ordained minister of the Church of England and a systematic theologian whose primary research is the correlation between theology and the arts. No tickets are required.

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COMMUNICANTS CLASSES

This fall, we will offer two communicant classes for children 2nd-5th grade and 6th-8th grade. The 6-week classes will be September 24-October 29. There is a required parent intro class on either August 20 or 27. Registration is open.

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MISSIONARY MAILINGS

SEPTEMBER 24 | 12:30-2:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please join us to write our missionaries letters of encouragement. Lunch will be provided, and donations are appreciated. If you are unable to attend the lunch, you can still write letters found on various tables around the church that day. RSVP to Emily Leonard at emily.leonard@pcpc.org.

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MEN'S GOLF TOURNAMENT

NOVEMBER 3 | 7:00 A.M. | TENISON PARK GOLF COURSE

Come and fellowship at the PCPC Men's Golf Tournament! Cost is \$65 which includes breakfast, golf, and cart. Registration is now open.

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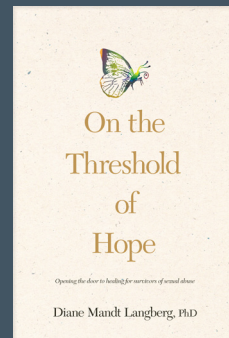
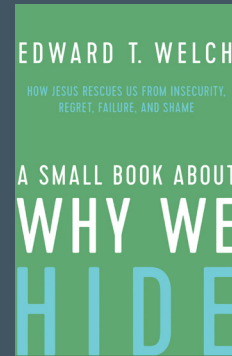
LOOKING FOR A GOOD READ?

Care and Counseling groups are walking through these books this fall. Would you consider joining a group? Visit pcpc.org/care to learn more.

A SMALL BOOK ABOUT WHY WE HIDE

How Jesus Rescues Us from Insecurity, Regret, Failure, and Shame

Through fifty devotionals, Welch shows us how God speaks with gentleness, depth, and hope that will lead us out of hiding and to live more openly, authentically, and regret-free.



ON THE THRESHOLD OF HOPE

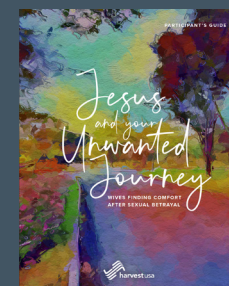
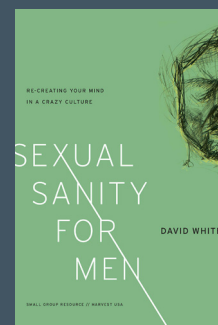
Opening the Door to Healing for Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Through stories, Scripture, questions, and encouragement, Dr. Langberg walks with survivors on the road to healing through Christ's love and power.

SEXUAL SANITY FOR MEN

Re-creating Your Mind in a Crazy Culture

Shows men how knowing Jesus Christ breaks chains, and how to build spiritual brotherhood and re-create minds in a God-focused direction.



JESUS AND YOUR UNWANTED JOURNEY

Wives Finding Comfort After Sexual Betrayal

For women who need help applying the gospel to their marriage in response to their husband's sexual sin. Addresses such issues as suffering, shame, troubling emotions, forgiveness, and the process of rebuilding trust.

These selections and more are available at the PCPC Bookstore (Lower Level). The Bookstore doors are always open, and we offer a self-checkout kiosk (accepting credit or debit cards only). Check out our inventory at pcpcbookstore.org.

If you need help finding something or have a question about the store, please email us at bookstore@pcpc.org.

FIND YOUR PLACE FALL BIBLE STUDIES & GROUPS

With the launch of a new school year and in hopes of cooler weather, we begin our fall semester at PCPC. There are several opportunities for men, women, couples, children, and youth to connect with Christ and one another at PCPC through our weekly programming.



Men, our weekly Tuesday Morning Bible Study will feature the book of *1 John* this fall. Every week, approximately 200 men from our church devote their time to being in God's Word with a large group lecture followed by small group time for prayer requests and fellowship. For many PCPC men, this is a pivotal time in their week and personal devotion to Jesus. We are excited and

can't wait to see what God has in store for us. Block off your calendar for Tuesday mornings beginning September 12 at 7:00 a.m. and sign up now!

Focus, for men, women, and couples, will study *Ruth & Esther* with small group discussion, lecture, and fellowship. Focus is held Wednesday nights at 6:45 p.m.



Women, our theme for the year is "Share" based on 1 Thessalonians 2:8, "*So, being affectionately desirous of you, we were ready to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you had become very dear to us.*" PCPC has a variety of times and dates for women's studies beginning September 12-14. On Tuesdays, Precepts will study *Psalms*, and

A Mother's Heart will consider *Parenting* by Paul Tripp. On Wednesdays, Early Morning Bible Study will focus on *2 Corinthians*, Wednesday Watchmen will look at the *Gospel on the Ground* regarding the early church in Acts, and Young Women will study *Lamentations*. Thursday Morning Bible Study will read *Ruth & Esther* by Kathleen Neilson.



Whether you're seriously dating, engaged, newly married, or married for years, **PCPC Marriage Ministry** offers classes for each stage. *UNION* is a nine-week course for seriously dating, engaged, or newly married couples which meets Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m. beginning September 19. *re/engage* is a marriage enrichment program for couples married for more than three

years meeting Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. "It is a small investment to make for your marriage. When is it not a good time?" said one recent participant.

Children's and Youth Choirs are also back this fall! Weekly rehearsals begin on Wednesday, September 13. Carol Choir, Chapel Choir, and Covenant Choir will participate in worship once or twice a semester, perform in our annual Christmas Concert, and lead worship for our Family Christmas Eve Service. "Our goal is to give our singers spiritual food that will nourish them in the present

and sustain them for the years to come. We want to put a song in their hearts that will keep resonating throughout their lives," said Katie Haring, Ministry Leader of Children's and Youth Choirs.



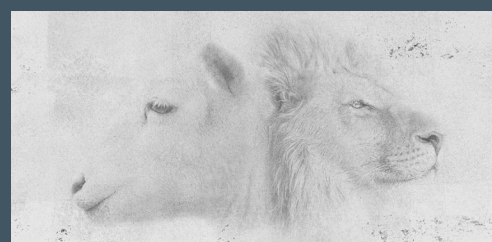
Youth programming includes midweek small groups for middle school girls and guys at PCPC from 6:30-7:30 p.m. The kids enjoy snacks, fellowship, and time spent in God's Word. "Middle school is such an exciting time of growth for students, and as a ministry, we hope to be gospel-centered, prayerful, and relational, in a fun and encouraging environment," said Maggie Hohfeler, Ministry

Leader for Female Youth Discipleship in Middle School.

High schoolers meet at The Gathering once a month on Wednesday nights off campus in addition to small groups throughout the week.

Registration is open for our fall semester. Please visit our website at pcpc.org/events or download the PCPC app for more on all these weekly programs. We hope you will join us and find your place at PCPC this fall!

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST



Of all the books of the Bible, perhaps the most captivating and at times the most confusing is the book of Revelation. How are we to understand this strange and mysterious book filled with numbers, images, beasts, and a Lamb? What is the book of Revelation all about? One reason for our confusion is that we often approach the Bible with the wrong question. The primary question we should ask the book of Revelation to answer is not "what" but "who." Who is the book of Revelation all about?

From the first verse to the last, the book of Revelation is all about Jesus Christ. He is the Alpha and the Omega, the Lion and the Lamb, the Bridegroom who is coming for His Bride, and the King who will one day return to make all things new.

This fall, join us on Sunday mornings for our sermon series on *The Revelation of Jesus Christ*.