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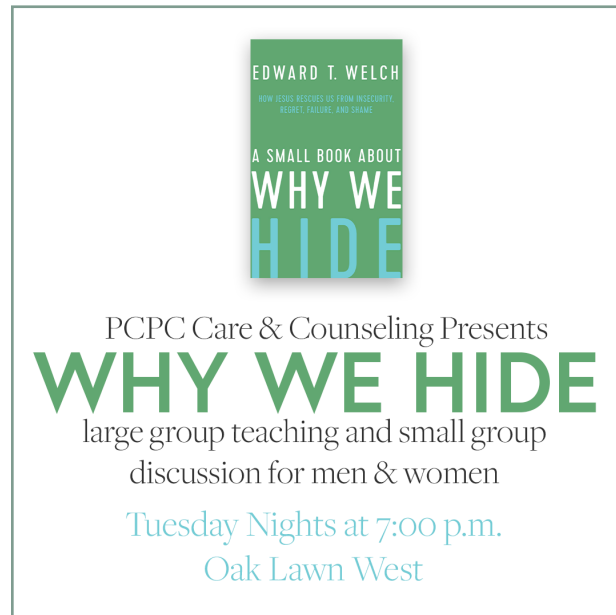
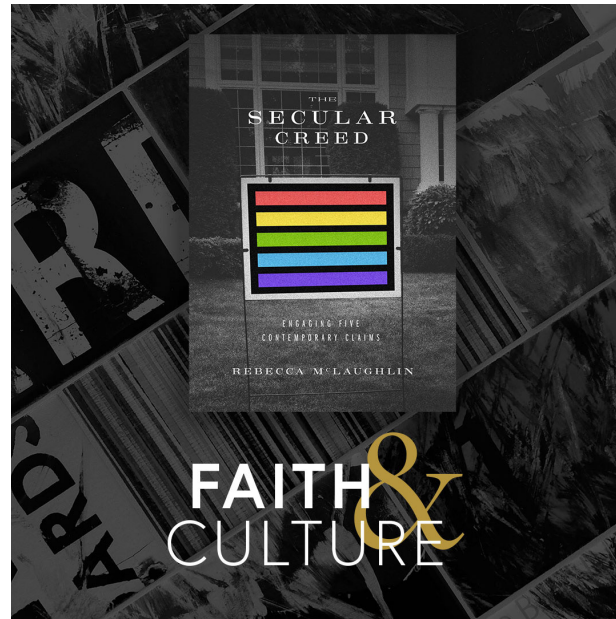
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"Worthy are You,
our Lord and God,
to receive glory
and honor and
power, for You
created all things,
and by Your will
they existed and
were created."

Revelation 4:11

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CONNECT, ABIDE, & EXTEND

UNDERSTANDING THE BOOK OF REVELATION

OCTOBER 1 | 6:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

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 and images and beasts and a Lamb? Join us for a lecture with Dr. G.K. Beale, Professor of New Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary and author of "The Book of Revelation: New International Greek Testament Commentary" as well as "Revelation: A Shorter Commentary."

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CHURCH IN THE CITY: SPORTS AS MINISTRY

OCTOBER 8 | 12:30-2:00 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL A/B

In an increasingly divided world, sports continue to connect people across cultures, religions, and socioeconomic levels. Because of this, sports provide us with unique opportunities to build relationships and share the Gospel. Join us for lunch after church on October 8 as we discuss the Gospel opportunities sports create in our city. Registration is appreciated but not required.

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FAITH & CULTURE FALL BOOK STUDY

MONDAYS, BEGINNING OCTOBER 16 | 12:00-1:15 P.M. | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Please join us for a five-week lunch-hour discussion of Rebecca McLaughlin's "The Secular Creed." Led by various PCPC pastors and elders in an interactive format, we will evaluate some of the contemporary claims of our culture through a biblical lens. A copy of the book will be provided with each registration (\$10 per person). Boxed lunches will be available each week (\$10 suggested donation). Please register, so we know to expect you!

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"WHY WE HIDE"

TUESDAYS | 7:00-8:30 P.M. | OAK LAWN WEST

Join us for a class taught by Pat Hobin using the book *Why We Hide* by Ed Welch. This is an opportunity for men and women to learn about and discuss their struggles with shame, disappointment, and inadequacy by pointing to Christ for acceptance, identity, and security. Registration is free, but participants will need to purchase their own book, which will be available in the PCPC Bookstore and other retailers.

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OTHER UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- Oct. 1 - Luncheon with Dr. Sandi Chapman (Third Third)
- Oct. 11 - MinistrySafe Awareness & Protection Training
- Oct. 12 - Texas State Fair (Senior Adults)
- Oct. 14 - Saturday of Solitude (Young Adults)
- Oct. 17 - The Bridge: What's Her Story? (Women)
- Oct. 28 - Project Workday (City Missions)
- Nov. 2 - VOCES8 Concert (Performing Arts)
- Nov. 3 - Golf Tournament (Men)
- Nov. 5 - Pray. Give. Go. - Global Missions Expo
- Nov. 11 - Helping Hands
- Nov. 12 - Kevin Twit Concert (Performing Arts)
- Nov. 17 - RUF-I Thanksgiving (Missions)

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FAMILY MINISTRY NEWS

SECOND GRADE BIBLES

OCTOBER 1 | 8:30-9:30 A.M.

The Elementary Ministry invites all second graders and their families to this special occasion at PCPC. Second graders will receive their name-engraved Bible during a special ceremony. After the Bible ceremony, all second graders and their families are encouraged to attend the 9:30 a.m. worship service where the students will be recognized for this significant milestone. The cost is \$30.00, which includes an engraved Bible and continental breakfast for the family.

PARENTING AHEAD CLASS

OCTOBER 4 & 18 | 6:30-7:30 P.M.

Join Pastor Pete Hatton and his wife, Kristen, for a class on parenting intentionally to lay a foundation that allows for a redemptive relationship with your children for years to come. This class is appropriate for parents of all ages and stages. Childcare is available for ages 3 months - 5th grade.



PUMPKIN GOSPEL

OCTOBER 6 | 5:00-6:30 P.M. | PCPC COURTYARD
PCPC Kids invites all families to attend a special evening. Bring your chair or blanket and join us for a fun, family-friendly Pumpkin Gospel presentation in the Courtyard and a chili and corn dog dinner in the Fellowship Hall. We ask each family to bring one medium size pumpkin to use during the presentation. Carving tools will be provided. The cost for dinner is \$8/adult and \$5/child or a maximum of \$30 for the entire family.

FIRST FRIDAY & BEFRIEND

OCTOBER 6 | 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. bEfriend offers dinners for 8 for our adults with disability. Contact jeanie.cox@pcpc.org for more information.

GIRLS FALL PARTY

OCTOBER 12 | 7:00-8:30 P.M. | HANGOUT

Middle School girls are going to do all things fall!!! We are going to paint pumpkins, drink pumpkin spice lattes, and enjoy food and fellowship together.



THE GATHERING

OCTOBER 25 | 7:15-8:45 P.M.

All High School is invited to join us! The Gathering is a monthly time of food, fellowship, worship, and teaching that meets at a local church family's house.

You can find all of these opportunities and more at pcpc.org/calendar.

MIDWEEK IS BACK!



Wednesdays don't just have to be hump days to get through a busy week. This fall, come to PCPC on Wednesday nights for Midweek Dinner! It may just be the highlight of your week. Join our church family for delicious food, refreshing fellowship, Bible studies for many ages, and choir rehearsals. New this year—middle school small groups have moved back on campus Wednesday nights. It's a great opportunity for middle school parents to come to PCPC on Wednesdays.

"Midweek is a great respite in our sometimes harried schedules to connect to our church body over a meal, watch our kids spend time building their own friendships, and enjoy some deep conversations mixed in with the mundane topics of everyday life. We love getting to know other church families in the middle of a busy week outside of our Sunday best." - Lacey Cole

"Our family loves midweek dinners, which give us a chance to pause from our busy schedule and abide in Christ through Bible study and choir. We get to connect with other families over a delicious meal and our children enjoy

the playgrounds. It's midweek fuel for our souls to extend His Kingdom in our communities and provides a bridge to Sunday worship. Not needing to cook or clean is a bonus!" - Amela & Chris Ericson

"It is a wonderful time to catch up with friends at dinner and then go to Bible study together." - Diane Steele

Midweek dinner runs from 5:30-7:30 p.m. every Wednesday this fall. Vespers also begins at 5:30 p.m., an intimate service featuring hymns, prayer, Scripture reading, meditations, and Communion in the Chapel. Middle school small groups begin at 6:30 p.m., and adult classes begin at 6:45 p.m.

Adult classes include Focus Bible study for men, women, and couples, reJengage for married couples, and Young Men's and Young Women's Bible studies.

Please register online for dinner by Monday afternoon. We hope you will join us at Midweek this fall!

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DEEPLIGHT PODCAST



Deep Light is a space for community healing, hope, and education around topics of rescue and growth. This fall, our Deep Light series will focus on "limitations". Limitations can be emotional, physical, mental, vocational, or relational. We all have them, and rather than seeing them as a fault, they should lead us to greater dependance on the Lord. Join us as we look at the gift of limitations through interviews with various members of our church and counselors. This series will talk about how limitations become evident through raising a family, forced work limits, deliverance from anxiety due to lack of limitations, and how we use the gift of prayer and meditation to help us discover how to set those limits. This series will kick off with guest speaker Kelly Kapic talking about his book on limitations.

Past episodes of Seasons 1-3 are available. In the spring of Season 3, we discussed several topics including how people change, grief, trauma, and teenage years. Season 2 had 33 episodes discussing relationships, rest, and brokenness. And Season 1 started it all with the season of isolation during the pandemic.

Subscribe, like, and share these meaningful conversations with your family and friends, and help us build community, healing, and hope around topics of rescue and growth.

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