

# PROCLAIM



Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples! - 1 Chronicles 16:24

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## FROM THE PASTOR



Rev. Paul Beck  
Senior Pastor

### A Walk You'll Never Forget

On Sunday, **May 18**, our church will be hosting a special Old Testament seminar with *Walk Thru the Bible* ministries. This seminar will be an inspiring event. During the day you will be taken on an unforgettable adventure back to the beginning of time. From there, a trained instructor will introduce you to prominent Bible characters and weave together their various stories onto one clear timeline that will be easy to remember. As you learn about the major people, places, and events of the Old Testament, God's ultimate plan of preparing the world for the coming of Jesus Christ will be revealed for you like never before.

The *Walk Thru the Old Testament* is a lot of fun too! There will be no required note taking. You will learn all the material using hand signs, catch phrases, group reviews, and dynamic interaction with the instructor. Most people are usually so moved by the conclusion of *Walk Thru the Old Testament* that over eighty percent of them will commit to read their Bibles and pray daily for at least thirty days.

More and more, people today do not accept the Old Testament as anything more than a collection of interesting Bible stories. A *Walk Thru the Old Testament* seminar will introduce you to how the Old Testament links together and ultimately leads to the cross. It will also rekindle a desire to seek God in His Word every day.

This event is designed for the entire family. In addition to the adult seminar we will also be hosting a seminar for children. The *Walk Thru the OT for Kids* will consist of stories, games, puzzles, magic tricks and skits. Our children will have their imaginations stimulated so that the Word of God can be planted deeply in their hearts. Most importantly, they will learn the basics of what we believe using the same hand signs and catch phrases that the adults will be learning. They will also be given a framework for all of the Bible stories they have learned and will see the common thread of God's will working to bring about His purpose for mankind. Kids will come away from their seminar with a Bible overview that will stay with them for years to

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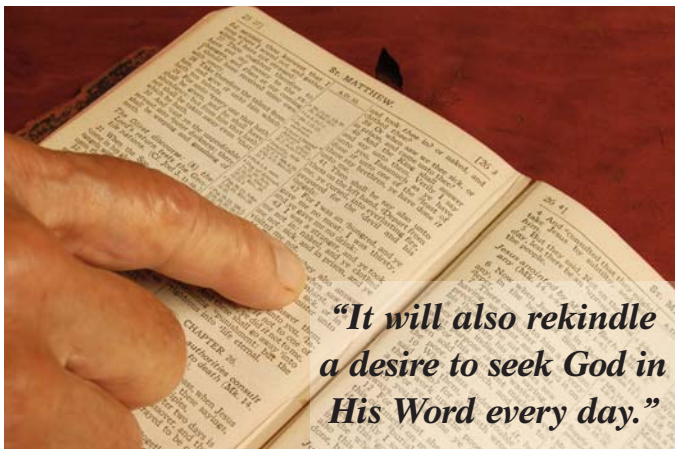


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Rev. Thomas Crumb

## WORSHIP NOTES

### Drama in the Skies

One of the topics in our recent Sunday

School class, *Managing Your Emotions* directed us to consider the subject of finding God's will for our lives in seasons of uncertainty. As a group, we pondered how to ascertain God's will for our lives when we are unsure of what He wants. In helping us address this issue, the curriculum we used directed us in a contemplation of Psalm 19, that wonderful Psalm that describes the way in which God has chosen to reveal Himself through His creation and then, more specifically, through His Word. As was the case throughout the course, we discovered that the Psalms helps those struggling with uncertainty to find God's direction for their lives. Through Psalm 19 we came to realize afresh that when we feel uncertain, we must listen for God's voice in creation, look for His direction in the Bible, ask for His conviction in our hearts, and then forge ahead with confidence.

The Psalm opens with a meditation on the creation account in Genesis. Creation is constantly

declaring God's glory and continuously proclaiming God's work. Creation's constant declaration of God's greatness goes through all the earth; every language and culture hears this wordless sermon. As nothing is hidden from the sun's heat, nothing is exempt from creation's witness to the glory of God. God never stops speaking to us through creation, and even speaks to us through the advances we make by studying His creation.

- <sup>4</sup> Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world. In them He has set a tent for the sun,
- <sup>5</sup> which comes out like a bridegroom leaving his chamber, and, like a strong man, runs its course with joy.
- <sup>6</sup> Its rising is from the end of the heavens, and its circuit to the end of them, and there is nothing hidden from its heat.



***“The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.”***

To be sure, the second half of the Psalm continues with reflection on the ways in which we need more guidance than we are given by the natural world. We need God's Word, and an intimate acquaintance with its full counsel if we want to accurately know God's will for our lives. As the psalmist reflects on all of these characteristics of the Bible, he views Scripture as infinitely valuable and pleasurable. The Bible forms the boundaries for our decisions by limiting our options and providing certainty

about what is right and what is wrong. If we allow the Bible to play its role in our lives, it revives our souls, makes us wise, gives joy to our hearts, enlightens us, and grants us integrity.

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- <sup>1</sup> The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims His handiwork.
- <sup>2</sup> Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.
- <sup>3</sup> There is no speech, nor are there words, whose voice is not heard.





**Pete Axelson**  
Youth Pastor

## YOUTH NEWS

### *Come and Go*

**B**y the time you are reading this, some warmer spring weather should be in the air, the Red Sox will have commenced their defense of a

World Championship, and with any luck I will have gotten in my first round of golf for the season.

I love spring..... when it finally arrives that is. I thought I would keep this month's column more informational and share in a little more detail about some spring youth group events that will be happening this month.

"The Core" Youth Leader Training - April 5th – You don't necessarily need to know this date in the sense that it effects any of you. I just thought you might like to know that we try to take our role as youth leaders seriously in our youth ministry. So, for the better part of the day on April 5th, our volunteer leaders and some student leaders will all be heading up to Grace Chapel for a day of training. The guest speaker that day will be Meghan Hutchinson, one of the youth pastors at Saddleback church in California. I would appreciate your prayers for all of us; that as youth leaders and student leaders we would benefit from our time there, and that we will continue to grow together as a leadership group.

Dessert & Auction - April 12th – By now everyone should know about this evening. Our list of gift cards and valuable items and continues to grow each day.

Come enjoy a night of free apple crisp and coffee, hear more about the Sr. High mission trip to Acuna Mexico this summer, bid on a few items, and maybe you might even go home with something you bid on. You do not need to RSVP to this event, and you are encouraged to bring others. We plan to have plenty of apple crisp. And of course, don't forget your check book.

### **Dessert & Auction**

**April 12th - 6:30-9:00 p.m.**

*"Come enjoy a night of free apple crisp and coffee, hear more about the Sr. High mission trip to Acuna Mexico [&] bid on a few items"*

Arise Concert - April 18th – Arise is the worship band at Monadnock Bible Conference Center. They are exceptionally gifted musicians and singers, and they go on tour throughout New England two times a year. We will be catching them at Grace Gospel church in Swansea that evening. Their emphasis is on the 12 – 25 year old age bracket, but I know a lot of older adults who enjoy them thoroughly, myself included.

I hope you've enjoyed this brief glimpse into the month of April.

*Pastor Pete*

## UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

### **Host a Foreign Student**

Tedeschi Food Shops employs a number of college students from many foreign countries during the summer. These students need host families to live with during that time. They are willing to pay room and board or exchange housework or tutoring for part of all of the costs.

If you are interested or would like more information, please call: 1-800-242-0207. Ext. 256. This is an unique opportunity to live out/share Christ with students who may have never heard the Good News.

Photo: Ramzi Hashisho



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### A Walk You'll Never Forget

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come. Most of them will make a commitment to pray and read their Bibles every day. We need at least twenty children committed to attending to make it fun and worthwhile

I have participated in *Walk Thru the Old Testament* seminars on two separate occasions. It is one of the best learning experiences I have ever had. It's fast and

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it's enjoyable. Here's how the day will work: We will follow our normal worship schedule on Sunday morning. Following our second service we will break for a wonderful lunch in the fellowship hall hosted by our Hospitality Committee. At 1:00 the seminar will begin. Be on the lookout for registration to begin soon!

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***"May the same power that raised Christ from the dead be at work in you as you walk even as He walked."***

Our Holy Week services were a meaningful and moving time of worship for all of us. From our Maundy Thursday and the fellowship we shared around the Lord's Table; to the Good Friday service and the solemn and dramatic enactment of nailing our sins to the cross as we remembered Jesus' supreme sacrifice; to the spectacular Sunrise service at Craigville Beach and our celebration of Jesus' resurrection in worship during our two services - it was a wonderful season of reflection, worship and praise.

Thank you to all who helped plan, lead and participated in our services! May the same power that raised Christ from the dead be at work in you as you walk even as He walked.

*In His grip,*

Pastor Paul

## WORSHIP NOTES - CONTINUED

### Drama in the Skies

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Standing on the beach at Craigville this past Easter Sunday morning, I couldn't have been more powerfully moved by the truth God has imparted about Himself in the wonderful words of this Psalm. As we shared in worshipping our risen Savior, the drama of the resurrection was acted out before our eyes. Arriving at the beach in the muted light of early dawn, the nearly full moon was still a vibrant presence in the sky. The moon is, of course, that lesser light God created to rule the night sky during those hours during which darkness reigns.

As we began to sing, listen to God's Word, and receive the proclamation of the new life that is ours in Christ, the sun broke over the horizon.

The radiant orange beams that served as harbingers of the sun's impending appearance quickly gave way to the ascent of the full orb sun above the horizon. By the time our service concluded, the sun was well on its way to appearing high in the sky, and what had been a bright, reflective moon was now but a dim outline in the ever brightening sky.

What an incredible picture for all of us of the way in which we who have been transferred from the kingdom of darkness to the kingdom of light are called to continually let the light of Christ burn brightly in our lives in order to swallow up the root and fruit of darkness that remains resident in our flesh. What a beautiful illumination of the message of Easter triumph that death (darkness) has

been swallowed up by life (light). The heavens declare the glory of God!

Photo: Gabriella Fabbri



## APRIL SERMONS

**SUNDAY, APRIL 6, 2008**

8:30 & 11:00 AM

*Guest Speaker*

**Gary Allen**

Christian Mission to the  
United Nations

**SUNDAY @ 6**

*Seven Spectacular Signs*

**Lord Over Judgment**

John 9:1-41

**SUNDAY, APRIL 13, 2008**

8:30 & 11:00 AM

New Series:

*Intense Spirituality*

**Running with Endurance**

Hebrews 12:1-3

**SUNDAY @ 6**

*Seven Spectacular Signs*

**Lord Over Death**

John 11:1-44

**SUNDAY, APRIL 20, 2008**

8:30 & 11:00 AM

*Intense Spirituality*

**Trials that Train**

Hebrews 12:4-11

**SUNDAY @ 6**

To Be Announced

**SUNDAY, APRIL 27, 2008**

8:30 & 11:00 AM

*Intense Spirituality*

**Avoiding the Ditches**

Hebrews 12:12-17

**SUNDAY @ 6**

*No Meeting*

## COMING IN APRIL

**Men's Breakfast** - Saturday, April 5 - 7:30-9:30 a.m.

Come \* Eat \* Laugh \* Learn \* Grow!

Join Special Guest Speaker Pastor Paul Beck and the men of Christ Chapel for a full hot breakfast and some great fellowship! Please sign up in the narthex or contact Jeff Miele if you plan to attend. A \$5 donation for the meal is appreciated!

**Uncommon: Compelled by God's Call** - a new Life Builders Adult Sunday School class led by Pastor Pete which began on March 30. It meets on Sunday mornings at 9:45 in the Youth Building.

Course Description:

God does not always speak in ways we can anticipate. Instead, He often desires that we follow Him in ways that may feel uncomfortable for us, but ultimately give Him glory. This six-week study will help learners to understand how God speaks and what God asks when He speaks to them. Through the study of real people like Moses, Joshua, and Rahab, learners will be challenged to not just hear God, but also to act on what He says.

**Purity & Passion - Loving God** Adult Sunday School class led by John Hotchkiss will begin meeting weekly in the West Transept at 9:45 a.m. on April 6.

Course Description:

In the world, it is common to observe passion without purity, this is expected these days. Rarely one may observe purity practiced, generally without passion. Only in the context of a proper relationship with God may both purity and passion be practiced simultaneously. In fact, God requires of us both purity and passion.

Purity & Passion is an eight week series in practical holiness. If you are a believer, it will deepen your understanding of the Christian life, challenge you to examine your life more closely, and encourage you to walk carefully in the path laid out before you. If you are not a believer in Christ, this series will give you a foundation of understanding as to what true Christian living entails. You may be surprised to find that following Christ is not at all like what you have observed in many Christians or heard in the media. In either case, you will find yourself desiring to drink deeply from the fountain of the water of life.

For a schedule and a course outline, please visit [purityandpassion.com](http://purityandpassion.com).

**Prayer for the Nations** will be meeting weekly in the Christ Chapel library on Tuesday afternoons from 12:00-1:00, beginning April 8, 2008. Please join us as we beseech the Lord of the Harvest!



## STEPHEN MINISTRY MOMENT

A Stephen Minister is trained to know how to respond to a person who has experienced the death of a spouse or family member. We like to think that we would not make the mistake of offering a thoughtless comment that adds to a person's pain, but since we are flawed people, it does sometimes happen. We want to take this opportunity to go over some of the types of inappropriate statements that well-meaning people have uttered in an attempt to help a suffering person feel better.

The following information comes from the book *Don't Sing Songs to a Heavey Heart*, written by Kenneth C. Haugk, founder of the Stephen Ministry.

### ***These are words that hurt and don't heal:***

*"I know how you feel"*

No one knows exactly how you feel and you don't know how someone else feels. Rather, do ask, "How are you feeling?"

*"It's all for the best"* and other similar statements, such as *"He's at peace now."*; *"Well you know she's in a better place."*; *"It's good he's not suffering any more."*; and *"It's a blessing."*

Trying to put a positive spin on the situation doesn't make the person feel any better. Eventually, however, they may be able to say these things themselves.

*"Keep a stiff upper lip."*

This implies a person should get on with the grieving process and then get back to normal as soon as possible. The most helpful words are those that allow a hurting person time to heal.

Statements with *"at least"* in them; such as, *"at least he didn't suffer."*

These tend to minimize a person's pain, by implying that the situation could have been a lot worse.

*"God doesn't give you more than you can handle."*

These words or those like them are not in the Bible. Therefore, we don't know if it is true or not. What the Bible does say in 1Cor. 10:13 is "And God is faithful, He will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear." Therefore, if you do say this to a person don't make it sound like it comes straight out of the Bible.

*"It's God's will."*

Saying this is often a way of minimizing or explaining away feelings and hurts. "Many things do hurt and that is reality. To try and lessen hurts by explaining them as part of God's plan is to deny the right we have as humans and as Christians to feel what we feel."

We hope you find this information helpful. Dr. Haugk says, "When bad things happen, people don't need platitudes and cliches. They need to be able to lean on each other and support one another."

The Stephen Ministry of Christ Chapel stands ready to care for anyone who may be hurting or going through a difficult time. Please contact a Stephen Leader or the church office if you want to learn more about the Stephen Ministry.

## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Please take a moment to welcome the following new members to our Christ Chapel family:

James Bayides	Michael & Beth Klink
Bob & Carol Fogle	Ginny Morgan
Gina Grenier	





# CHRIST CHAPEL

# APRIL 2008

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<i>Rejoice with those who are celebrating!</i> ◆ Birthdays ☞ Anniversaries	1 Men's Bible Fellowship 7-8:30 am Prayer for the Nations - 12-1 pm Yamouth Small Group - 7 pm	2 First Light Biblical Worldview Study - Falmouth - 6:30 am Prayer Meeting - 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry - 6 pm Jr. High League - 6:30-8 pm ◆ Priscilla White	3 Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30 am & 7:00-8:30 pm Choir - 7 pm ◆ Roberta Glazer	4 Man to Man - 6 am Mom's In Touch - 9:30 am ◆ Ian Sutton ◆ Marj Winchell	5 <b>Men's Breakfast</b> 7:30-9:30 a.m.
6 Morning Worship - 8:30 & 11 Sunday School - 9:45 am Sr. High Group - 5:30 pm Boys Brigade - 5:45 pm Pioneer Girls - 5:45 pm Sunday @ 6	7 First Light Men's Bible Study Centerville - 6:30 am CPR - 3:45-5:00 pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sandwich Small Group - 6:45 pm Christian Ed - 7 pm	8 Men's Bible Fellowship 7-8:30 am Prayer for the Nations - 12-1 pm Hyannis Small Group - 7 pm Mashpee Small Group - 7 pm Trustees - 7 pm ◆ Tom Carlson	9 First Light Biblical Worldview Study - Falmouth - 6:30 am Prayer Meeting - 1:00 pm Jr. High League - 6:30-8 pm ◆ Jesse Thomas	10 Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30 am & 7:00-8:30 pm ◆ Hamnah Driscoll ☞ George & Adele Anderson	11 Man to Man - 6 am Mom's In Touch - 9:30 am ◆ Polly Havener	12 <b>Youth Desert and Auction</b> 6:30 - 9 pm ◆ Courtney Driscoll
13 Morning Worship - 8:30 & 11 Sunday School - 9:45 am Sr. High Group - 5:30 pm Boys Brigade - 5:45 pm Pioneer Girls - 5:45 pm Sunday @ 6	14 First Light Men's Bible Study Centerville - 6:30 am CPR - 3:45-5:00 pm 1 <sup>st</sup> Sandwich Small Group - 6:45 pm	15 Men's Bible Fellowship 7-8:30 am Prayer for the Nations - 12-1 pm Yamouth Small Group - 7 pm <b>Newsletter Submission Deadline</b>	16 First Light Biblical Worldview Study - Falmouth - 6:30 am Prayer Meeting - 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry - 6 pm Jr. High League - 6:30-8 pm ◆ Samuel McGuire ◆ Ernest Witschi ☞ Paul & Lisa Beck	17 Women's Bible Study 9:30-11:30 am & 7:00-8:30 pm Choir - 7 pm	18 Man to Man - 6 am Mom's In Touch - 9:30 am <b>Jr./Sr. High Arise Concert</b> 5:30-10 pm ☞ Gerry & Priscilla White	19 ◆ Gretchen Axelson ◆ Linda Crumb
20 Morning Worship - 8:30 & 11 Sunday School - 9:45 am Boys Brigade - 5:45 pm Pioneer Girls - No Meeting Sunday @ 6	21 <b>School Vacation Begins</b> First Light Men's Bible Study Centerville - 6:30 am 1 <sup>st</sup> Sandwich Small Group - 6:45 pm ◆ Lauren Thomas	22 <b>Pace Testing</b> Men's Bible Fellowship 7-8:30 am Prayer for the Nations - 12-1 pm Hyannis Small Group - 7 pm Mashpee Small Group - 7 pm ☞ Thomas & Linda Crumb	23 <b>Pace Testing</b> First Light Biblical Worldview Study - Falmouth - 6:30 am Prayer Meeting - 1:00 pm ◆ Janet Dyer	24 <b>Pace Testing</b> Choir - 7 pm ◆ Hamnah Driscoll ☞ George & Adele Anderson	25 <b>School Vacation Ends</b> Man to Man - 6 am Mom's In Touch - 9:30 am	26 ☞ Carlton & Lillian Hulteen ☞ John & Sally Greene
27 Morning Worship - 8:30 & 11 Sunday School - 9:45 am <b>Day of Hospitality</b> ◆ Sevie Severance	28 First Light Men's Bible Study Centerville - 6:30 am 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sandwich Small Group - 6:45 pm CPR - 3:45-5:00 pm	29 Men's Bible Fellowship 7-8:30 am Prayer for the Nations - 12-1 pm Elders - 7 pm	30 First Light Biblical Worldview Study - Falmouth - 6:30 am Prayer Meeting - 1:00 pm Jr. High League - 6:30-8 pm	<p><i>For as the earth brings forth its sprouts, and as a garden causes what is sown in it to sprout up, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to sprout up before all the nations.</i> ~ Isaiah 61:11</p> 		

## CHRIST CHAPEL CLASSIFIED

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**Please submit contributions  
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**Behold, I make  
all things new.**

~ Rev. 21:5