

Calendar for Week of 2/12/2023

SUNDAY

8:30 / 9:45 - Contemporary [Worship Center]

9:45 - Sunday School

11:00 - Traditional Worship [Sanctuary]

11:00 - Parenting SS Class [Lounge]

11:00 - COGS Kids choir [Hall]

4:00 - CR Step Study [Lounge/Choir rm]

Youth Grades 6-12 please see Youth Page in the Announcements

MONDAY

10-12 - Staff Meeting

6:00 CR Praise Team Rehearsal [WC]

6-8 - Private [Sanctuary]

7:00 - SS Teachers Meeting [Hall]

TUESDAY

6:30 - Book Study [Forge rm]

WEDNESDAY

8:30-11:30 - MLLC [rms 200/202]

7:00 - Celebrate Recovery

7:00 - Traditional Choir Rehearsal [Sanctuary]

THURSDAY

5:00 - Contemporary Design Team

5:30 - Traditional Design Team

6:30 - Book Study [Forge Rm]

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9:00 - Contemporary Worship Rehearsal

1-3 - Cricut Class [Hall]

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Youth Group -

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WE EXPRESS APPRECIATION this morning to everyone who helped with this service.

Welcome to Contemporary Worship. We are so glad you are here this morning!

Mission Statement for the Church of the Good Shepherd

We are committed to:

Connecting persons to Jesus Christ

Connecting with broken and hurting people

Challenging persons to grow and celebrate their relationship with Jesus Christ

Equipping persons and partnering with them to serve in God-powered ministry



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When the Pressure Is On

February 12, 2023
Sunday worship 8:30 / 9:45 p.m.
Contemporary Worship
in the Worship Center

When the Pressure Is On

Welcome

Announcements

Opening Music: *Find You On my Knees*
By: Kari Jobe

Call to Worship

Giving of Our Gifts
Musical Offering (*Instrumental*) *It Is Well*

Song Celebration
Lord, I Need You
Stand In Your Love
Whom Shall I Fear

Message: *"When the Pressure Is On"*
Scripture: Daniel 6
Speaker: Pastor Cody Young

Prayer
Prayer Song: *Pray On*
By: Babbie Mason

Sending Forth

Closing Song: *Battle Belongs*
By: Phil Whickam

"When the Pressure is On" Daniel 6 Pastor Cody Young

Anxiety is becoming a normal part of our everyday lives. We do our best to deal with it, but we're often left paralyzed in the face of great challenges. We often turn inward and try to meet the demands of life using our own strength, but we're left angry, confused, worried. These emotions tend to leave us paralyzed. We're left no better than how we started as we try to figure out which step to take next. The pressure is on, and we have no idea where to begin.

Like many of us, Daniel's life was marked by moments of tremendous pressure. As a young man, his home was conquered. He was taken as a slave into a foreign nation, forced to become a eunuch, and was then subjected to pagan education. Talk about pressure! He lost his home, his freedom, his identity, and his way of life. The plans he made for his life – his dreams, aspirations, and ambitions – were all stripped away from him. I'm sure he asked many times, "What should I do now? What's my next step?"

What makes Daniel's story so unique is that when the pressure is on, he maintains his faith. As a result, he finds favor with both God and man. By the time we reach Chapter 6, Daniel is now in his eighties and serving in high positions of influence under King Darius. But, that doesn't mean the pressures of life are gone. In fact, Daniel had many enemies that conspired against him and sought to destroy him if it was the last thing they would do.

What we see in Daniel 6 is a man who knows that the best next step to take when the

pressure is on is to pray. He gets away from the noise and distractions of life, humbles himself before God, makes his requests known, gives thanks, and repeats the process. It's that simple.

We also get to see an example of a man who contrasts Daniel – one who learns the hard way that what we can do in our own strength is nothing compared to the wonder-working power of God. We watch as he comes to the realization that pressure is best dealt with in the hands of our Almighty God.

As we recall Daniel being taken to the lions' den, let us learn that prayer is our first line of defense, not a last resort.

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Church Office Hours Monday-Friday: 9am-2pm

Would you like to speak to someone regarding a personal or spiritual issue? Please contact the church office: 717-272-7741 to set up a time to speak with a pastor.

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