

Praising Christ, the Living Word

SEPTEMBER 6, 2009

Prelude

Let Them Praise

Welcome

Lynette Ebel

Better is One Day

Scripture Reading

John 1:1-14

Awesome God (Your Voice)

Be Unto Your Name

Ministry Notes

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Your Name

The Fire and Hammer

Eric M • Jeremiah 23:28-29

Communion

Refiner's Fire

May the Mind of Christ My Savior, Hymn 483

Closing Prayer

Postlude

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_____ WELCOME TO BLANCHARD _____

We are one church with two congregations in Wheaton and Warrenville, being formed as God's own people and revealing God's grace and truth to people in our lives. Welcome! We are glad that you are here.

_____ OUR SUNDAY SCHEDULE _____

Early Childhood: Care for babies and classes for two through four year olds is offered during both ministry hours.

Kid's Community offers ministry for K-5th grade children. At 9:00, Kid's Exploration provides a hands-on look at God's Word. At 10:45, Kid's Celebration teaches children to worship in fresh and creative ways.

Student Classes: Our classes for students meet during the 9:00 ministry hour; sixth graders meet at the Blanchard House; junior high students meet in the Cornerstone Room; high school students meet in the Foundation Room.

Adult Bible Communities: Our Adult Bible Communities (ABCs) are Sunday morning gatherings of people desiring to grow and learn more about how God's Word applies to our daily lives. From August 30 through September 13, join us at 9:00 A.M. for *Being With God Through Listening*, where we'll outline and discuss the practical means we have of listening to God as one way to deepen our walk with our Creator and follow His will.

_____ BLANCHARD'S TEACHING PLANS _____

	Wheaton	Warrenville
Today	Eric Maxey <i>Jeremiah 23:28-29</i>	Jeter Livingston <i>Psalm 67</i>
Sept. 13	Ron Mangin	Jeff Kamphausen
Sept. 20	Skye Jethani	James Grout



Worshiping Our Sending God

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Wonderful Words of Life

Welcome & Ministry Notes

Jeff Kamphausen

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Call to Worship

Apostle's Creed

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God's Story of Sending

Beautiful Savior

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WARRENVILLE NEWS

POTLUCK & TOWN HALL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 13 – 5:30-7:00 P.M.

Enjoy the good food and conversation around tables in our sanctuary as we begin the fall. Mary Ellen Slefinger and Sarah Van Oss will join us to interact with parents and kids about children's ministries at Blanchard and Pastor Jeff will moderate an open mic time as well re: our life together as a church.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

PRAYING TOGETHER

Let's pray for these concerns:

- **Steve R's father** was recently diagnosed with cancer – pray for God's wisdom as doctors determine a treatment plan
- Missionaries C and R V, welcoming **Naomi** (7 lb, 13oz), born August 31
- Pray for **parents** as they balance busy family schedules with the blessing and challenge of training up their kids in Christ
- Pray for our partnership with **Outreach Community Ministries** in Carol Stream, Wheaton and Warrenville as we work together to be Christ in our increasingly diverse neighborhoods

UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Breakfast	September 12
College Student Cookout	September 13
Warrenville Town Hall Meeting	September 13
PerSisters	September 17
Women's Night of Worship	September 18
GroupLink (Wheaton)	September 20
Albany Park Soup Kitchen	September 27
Men's Retreat	November 13-15

BLANCHARD NEWS

A WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS

We're glad that you chose to visit us this morning. Our prayer each week is that people attending would meet God. Tell us about your experience at Blanchard by dropping in at the Welcome Center after the service.

NEW JUNIOR HIGH DIRECTOR!

We are pleased to announce that Brian Stoffer has accepted the role of part time Junior High Director. Brian has already been a volunteer in The Stand for a couple of years and will begin at 1/4 time. He and his wife, Jessica, have two daughters (Ava and Gwyneth) and live in Wheaton. Brian is also director of security at Moody Bible Institute.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

All men and boys are encouraged to attend our monthly Men's Breakfast, to be held at Blanchard Wheaton on September 12 at 7:30 A.M. Our speaker will be Dave Conner. The cost is \$3/person. Hope to see you there!

ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS!

Please join us behind the Blanchard House next Sunday, September 13, directly after the second service for an informal cookout. Meet students and teachers from local colleges and enjoy food from our talented chefs on the grill! See you there!

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Pick up the fall Women's Ministries brochure at the Welcome Center and check out all that is happening for Women at Blanchard this fall! All women are invited to join us for a Women's Night of Worship on Friday, September 18 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at Blanchard Wheaton. Join our own Sally Miller for an evening of worship, prayer, and time to connect with other women.

SMALL GROUPS SIGN-UP

Blanchard's small groups are about two things: connecting with others and spiritual formation. Small groups make church more than a Sunday morning experience. Indicate your interest in joining a group either through our web site (keyword: small groups) or by signing up at the Welcome Center. Also, an "inviting" event called GroupLink will be held for 30 minutes after all services on Sunday, September 20.

GOD'S CHILDREN SING

Brenda Stevens will be leading early childhood music classes at both of our sites this fall. In Warrenville the class will be on Thursdays (beginning 9/10) at 1 P.M. for 3-5 year olds. In Wheaton the class will be on Tuesdays (beginning 9/8) at 1 P.M. for 3-5 year olds. If there's interest for children aged 1 ½-3 a class will be offered at 12:15 P.M., preceding the older kids' class. Contact Brenda for an opportunity to draw out the music within your child.

FALL CHOIR REGISTRATION

Children's Choir will begin September 8 for children in grades 1-5, Tuesdays from 4:30-5:30 P.M. Worship Choir (adults) will begin on September 9 and will meet Wednesdays from 7-8:30 P.M. Both choirs meet at the Wheaton campus. Please fill out a registration form located at the Welcome Center.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

BECOMING A STEPHEN MINISTER

Stephen Ministers work alongside our pastors to care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people who are going through a difficult time, such as divorce, grief, hospitalization, unemployment, terminal illness, relocation, chronic illness, or loneliness. If you have gifts for caring, encouragement, and listening, please begin to prayerfully consider whether you might want to be part of this exciting ministry. If you think you might be interested, pick up some information at the Stephen Ministry table. Blanchard will be training another class of Stephen Ministers beginning in January.

TUTORING WITH LINCOLN

The principal and social worker at Lincoln Elementary School is very desirous that we continue to offer tutoring to struggling students. If you would be able to tutor for one hour on Wednesdays please indicate your interest on the Connection Pad today.

EARLY CHILDHOOD MINISTRIES

Prayerfully consider serving this fall in the happiest wing at Blanchard! Our toddlers are excited to hear true Bible Stories about their great God and His awesome Son, Jesus. Our curriculum is user-friendly and your reward-eternal! Call Mary Ellen at 630.653.1555, ext. 239 for details.

INNER-CITY SOUP KITCHEN

The needs of the homeless are daily but we try to step in once a month to provide them a hot meal. You can bless those in need by either serving food on Sunday afternoon, September 27 or by preparing some food to be shared. Contact Anita Sanchez for more information, or sign up at the Welcome Center.

THE WAH GAY FAMILY:

STRIVING FOR INDEPENDENCE

You can make a real difference in helping this Burmese Karen family achieve independent living in the USA. See the most recent list of ways to serve the family at the Welcome Center.

ADULT BIBLE COMMUNITIES

In both campuses our ABCs began last Sunday with a 3 week single class on the topic *Being with God Through Listening*. It's not too late to join us as we look at how God speaks to us, an integral part of His love relationship with us as His created people. *Meets in Wheaton at 9:00 A.M. and in Warrenville at 9:30 A.M.*

Other classes to be offered this fall include:

- *Life Coaching and Mentoring*, led by Joe & Andrea Denner. Meets at 9:00 A.M. in Wheaton.
- *Spiritual Formation in the Life of Peter*, led by Dan Haase & Skye Jethani. Meets at 9:00 A.M. in Wheaton.
- *Spiritual Warfare in the Life of the Believer*, led by Scott Moreau. Meets at 9:00 A.M. in Wheaton.
- *The Book of Hebrews*, led by Malcolm Broadhurst. Meets in Room 108 at 10:45 A.M. in Wheaton.
- *Spanish 101*, led by Phyllis Mitchell. Meets in Warrenville at 9:30 A.M.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

The Edge - Senior High Ministries

Leader's Night - Thursday, September 10

Students get the night off as our leaders meet for training and planning. Leaders, we meet in the Foundation Room from 7:00-9:00 P.M.

The Stand - Junior High Ministries

Wednesday, September 9

All 7th and 8th grade students are invited to our weekly gathering known simply as "The Stand". Come and meet your small group leaders and find out about the new year of ministry. We meet from 7:00-8:45P.M., in the Cornerstone Room.