

*Worshiping God Who is Near*

NOVEMBER 8, 2009

**Prelude**

*Sing Alleluia*

**Welcome**

Craig LaRusso

*My Lips Will Praise You*

*Our Great God*

*O God Our Help in Ages Past*

**Prayers of Praise**

*Nothing Without You*

**Ministry Notes**

Spain Team Sharing

**Our Offerings**

*Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel*

Children's Choir

**Making Life About God**

John Casey • *Isaiah 36,37*

*Purify My Heart*

**Closing Prayer**

**Postlude**

**BLANCHARD ALLIANCE CHURCH**

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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 and high school students are currently meeting together 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. For a listing of communities that are currently meeting, please visit the Welcome Center in the foyer.

\_\_\_\_\_ **BLANCHARD'S TEACHING PLANS** \_\_\_\_\_

	<b>Wheaton</b>	<b>Warrenville</b>
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*Praising God Who is Near in Trials*

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**Prelude**

*Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

**Welcome & Ministry Notes**

**Scripture Reading**

Psalm 130

*Faithful One*

**Our Offerings**

*Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel*

Children's Choir

**Measuring the Clouds**

Skye Jethani • Matthew 5:38-42

**What is God Saying to You?**

*Sing to Jesus*

**Communion**

*Behold the Lamb*

*Once Again*

**Closing Prayer**

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**Student Classes:** Middle School and High School students meet together at 9:30 A.M. in the Student Ministries room (upstairs).

**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. Join us at 9:30 A.M. for *Spanish 101*, led by Phyllis Mitchell, or *The Beatitudes*, led by Dan Wisley.

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## PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

### PRAYING TOGETHER

Let's pray for these concerns:

- Pray for Dan and Tanya K as they begin the process of transitioning to North Carolina for continued ministry with International Students Incorporated.
- Pray for the upcoming men's retreat, Nov.13-15, that God would meet men in their small group settings.
- Rejoice with Brian and Christy R in the October 7 birth of Simeon David (8lbs 5oz)
- Pray for the Christian House of Worship, the Russian speaking church using our facility on Sunday afternoons.
- Pray for the many families already affected by the H1N1 virus outbreak.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Men's Retreat	November 13-15
Albany Park Soup Kitchen	November 22
Thanksgiving Eve Gathering	November 25
PADS	November 30
Women's Christmas Lunch	December 5

## 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.

### BEYOND RISING!

Last week God's people here gave \$33,000 to our Beyond campaign, pushing the total to \$2,753, 655! This is great news because every dollar we give reduces our debt which then reduces our mortgage and thus frees up more dollars to give to God's work in our community and beyond. Let's keep looking to God to help us give beyond what we think possible.

### THANKSGIVING EVE

#### PRAYER GATHERING & PIE SOCIAL

Join us at Blanchard Warrenville on Wednesday, November 25th at 7:00 P.M. for a time to pray and give thanks together. Bring a pie to share after the service.

#### WOMEN OF BLANCHARD...COME AND SEE!

Tickets are on sale today in the foyer for our Women's Christmas Luncheon, December 5 from 10:00 A.M. to noon. This festive event kicks off the Christmas season and is a wonderful opportunity to bring neighbors and friends. Fill a whole table! Tickets are \$10.00 each. Sally Miller will be encouraging us to take *A Fresh Look at the Manger*.

#### WORSHIP PAGE FOR CHILDREN

Did you know? There are pages available at the Welcome Center in the foyer for children who attend the worship service with their parents. They contain questions and activities to help them connect with the message. Stop by and pick one up for your child this morning!

#### BLANCHARD MEN...

This morning is your last chance to register for an opportunity to break the routine that so often leaves us dragging spiritually and stuck relationally. Register in the foyer for our fall men's retreat, *Sacred and Redeemed*, November 13-15 at Covenant Harbor in Lake Geneva.

#### NEED HELP MOVING?

Our Men's Ministry has a team of guys who volunteer to assist people in our congregation when they move. If you could use their help, contact Ron DeVries.

#### ENDING HUMAN TRAFFICKING

On Thursday, November 12 at 7:00 P.M., Immanuel Presbyterian Church in Warrenville is sponsoring the film, "At the End of Slavery" about the plight of those caught in human trafficking and what we can do to end it. All are welcome.

### PARENTING VISION AND STRATEGY CONFERENCE

Strengthen your family as you interact with ideas from guest speakers and fellow attendees at this two-day conference held at Wheaton Bible Church on November 13-14. The cost is \$40 per couple or \$25 per individual. Child care and lunch are provided. Call 1.800.771.8334 for more information or visit [www.biblicalpharenting.org](http://www.biblicalpharenting.org).

#### SHARING OUR WHEATON FACILITY

We have entered into a working agreement with the Christian House of Worship, a Russian congregation, to use our building on Sunday afternoons and Thursday evenings. We welcome the opportunity to make space for this growing congregation. If you are booking the church space for your ministry activities, please be aware of this agreement.

## OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

#### PUBLIC ACTION TO DELIVER SHELTER

DuPage PADS provides homeless people with meals and a mat on the floor at a local church. The next PADS staffed by Blanchard will be Monday, November 30 at Trinity Episcopal Church in Wheaton. Contact Laurel Lebo (630.231.2594) if you are interested in serving by preparing food or staffing the shelter.

#### CLOTHING DRIVE & CHRISTMAS SHARING

Throughout November we will be collecting clothing for the homeless in Albany Park and for needy residents in Warrenville. Clothes for all ages will be accepted for Christmas Sharing in Warrenville, while winter clothing (hats, gloves, coats, sweaters, and boots) will be gathered for the homeless in Albany Park. We're asking that you bring items to the Cornerstone Room this weekend, but will accept donations throughout the month.

#### 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, November 22 or by preparing food to be shared. Contact Anita Sanchez for more information, or sign up at the Welcome Center.

### STAFF A SHIFT AT DISCOVERIES RESALE SHOP

Discoveries Resale Shop in Warrenville exclusively supports the work and ministry of Warrenville Youth & Family Services as they serve Christ and the community of Warrenville. The shop is having its best year ever and would like to expand its hours into the evening but needs volunteer help (4-5) from partner churches like Blanchard to make it happen. If you're interested in staffing a Wednesday evening shift, contact Pastor Jeff ASAP at the church office or via e-mail at [jeff@blanchardalliance.org](mailto:jeff@blanchardalliance.org).

## STUDENT MINISTRIES

#### THE EDGE - SENIOR HIGH MINISTRIES

*The Cutting Edge - Echo (The Story of God)*

The Edge and The Stand are joining together throughout this and next semester to go through The Story of God together. This morning we begin with "in the beginning". For this special class we meet in the Jubilee room (below the sanctuary).

*Leader's Meeting - Thursday, November 12*

Students have the night off as our leaders meet for training, planning and prayer. Leaders, please meet in the Foundation Room at 7:00 P.M.

#### THE STAND - JUNIOR HIGH MINISTRIES

*Stand Firm - Echo (The Story of God)*

The Stand and The Edge are joining together throughout this and next semester to go through *The Story of God*. This morning we begin with "in the beginning". For this special class we meet in the Jubilee room (below the sanctuary).

*The Stand - Wednesday, November 4*

Our junior high group meets this Wednesday night for large group fun and small group discussion from 7:00-8:45.

#### THE ROCK - 6TH GRADE MINISTRIES

*Bonfire Social*

All sixth graders are invited to join us for a Rock social on Friday, November 13 from 7:00-9:00 P.M. We'll meet for a bonfire at the M's house in Wheaton. Sign up this morning to bring hot dogs/chips/s'mores fixings. Questions? Call Lauren Latoundji.