

*Worshiping God Who is Near*

NOVEMBER 15, 2009

**Prelude**

*Open the Eyes of My Heart*

**Welcome**

Tammy Wisley

*Let it Rise*

*Faithful One*

*Better is One Day*

**Ministry Notes**

**Our Offerings**

*Hosanna*

**Measuring the Clouds**

Skye Jethani • Matthew 5:38-42

**Our Response**

*Lord, Reign in Me*

**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 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.

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*Praising God Who is Near with Wisdom*

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*Meet With Me*

**Welcome & Ministry Notes**

*How Firm a Foundation*

**God's Wisdom to Us**

*You're Worthy of My Praise*

*I Stand in Awe of You*

**Our Offerings**

**Message**

Charlie Woehr • 1 Peter 3:13-16

*Your Great Renown*

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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 that Karen H's condo will be sold soon so that she can be released to serve in Mongolia.
- Pray that men attending the retreat this weekend will follow through on their commitments as well as get involved in an on-going small group.
- Pray for wisdom and strength as Allen A, Krista A's father, is battling a cancerous brain tumor.
- Pray for Chris Ellerman as he leads Outreach Community Ministries through these challenging times.
- Pray that we would be able to bless people richly over this upcoming holiday season.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

### 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*.

### NEW ABC IN WHEATON

Uche Anizor will be facilitating a four week Adult Bible Community on the Holy Spirit beginning November 22 and meeting through December 13 at 9:00 A.M. Increase your knowledge and experience of this often misunderstood aspect of the Triune God and His role in our lives.

### ADVENT ABC IN WARRENVILLE: NOV. 29-DEC. 13

"Three C's of Christmas" with Lee Rieck: Join Lee as he leads a biblical study of the coming of Christ, the centrality of Christ and the characters surrounding his arrival.

### 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.

### ADVENT ORCHESTRA

Adults and youth instrumentalists are invited to participate in the Advent Orchestra in Wheaton on December 20th. Players of strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion instruments should have at least 2 years music reading and playing experience. Sign up in the foyer, online, or contact Brian Reichenbach with any questions.

### WARRENVILLE CHRISTMAS CHOIR

If you like to sing, join our choir during the Christmas season for worship at the Warrenville site on December 20th and 24th. We'll be practicing Wednesday evenings at 7:00 P.M. at Blanchard Wheaton. If you're interested, contact Larry Griffith.

### 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!

### 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.

## 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 if you are interested in serving by preparing food or staffing the shelter.

### FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN

Last week, a team of 35 people from Blanchard, along with our neighboring friends, met at Feed My Starving Children to pack meals. We were joined by two other groups from Batavia and Citibank. In less than two hours, we packed 25,920 meals, which will feed 72 kids for an entire year! That's the number of children in one orphanage in Haiti! We are so excited to be serving together and inviting our neighbors to join us as we help feed starving children around the world. We hope you will consider joining us next time we serve, on January 19, 2010.

### 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.

### SHARING CLOTHES AND TOYS

Christmas Sharing will be held December 11 & 12 in Warrenville. It is a way for us to bless needy residents with clothes and slightly used toys. Please bring in clothes for all seasons and toys to either Blanchard campus in these coming weeks. Also, consider volunteering to sort clothes and/or serve as a host on the days we open to the community. Sign up in the foyer on Sunday morning.

### SERVE AT JUBILEE FURNITURE CO.

Jubilee Furniture Co. resells quality, used furniture for charitable purposes to generate income for Outreach Community Ministries. Volunteers from Blanchard team up on the third weekend of every month. Shifts are available for Friday, Nov. 20 from 1-4:30 P.M., 4:30-8 P.M. and Saturday, November 21 10 A.M.-1 P.M., 1-4 P.M. To sign up, call Tim or Connie Kluckman. .

### 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 is looking for volunteer help from partner churches like Blanchard. If you're interested in helping by staffing any day shift, Monday through Saturday, please contact Bonnie at 630.393.5133.

## 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. For this special class we meet in the Jubilee room (below the sanctuary).

*SWAT Teams - Thursday, November 19*

Our small groups meet in homes this Thursday from 7-9 P.M. Contact James Grout if you do not know where your team is meeting.

### 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*. For this special class we meet in the Jubilee room (below the sanctuary).

*The Stand - Wednesday, November 11*

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