

First Time Here?

We're glad you came. It can be intimidating to check out something new for the first time. Let us offer some information that might help.

First, we won't embarrass you. You don't have to say anything. You don't have to stick out from the crowd. Just relax and take things in at your own pace. If you have a question, just ask someone near you. Sing if you want to, or don't if you'd rather not. We don't expect you to contribute to the offering. You are our guest.

For the children, we offer a children's message up front with the pastor during the service. Your children are welcome to participate, or just to watch from a distance. Nursery care is available for the younger ones during worship services. Feel free to use it, or keep your children with you, as you prefer. Our children's workers are all screened with background checks and trained for your children's safety and your peace of mind.

"Education hour" meets every Sunday after the children's message. Again, your kids are welcome. We strive to provide a safe, enjoyable, and meaningful experience with trained staff. Your kids can check it out or they can stay with you until they are more comfortable.

We thank you for coming. We hope you experience God among us.

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Welcome to a Cell

The following cell groups welcome you.

- **Bell Cell**, Mondays, 7:00 @ Bells'
Leaders: Darryl & Jackie Bell, 740-549-3096
- **EverReady Cell**, Wednesdays, 7:00, rotating homes.
Leader: Marcia Johnston, 614-766-6837.
- **Open Arms Cell**, Thursdays; 7:00 p.m., at Posts'. Leader:
Paul Post, 614-799-0086.
- **Young Adult Cell** Wednesdays. Various locations.
See Nicole Fowles for details, 330-340-3702. .

A Place for You



January 29, 2012

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Welcome

We're glad you're here today. Thank you for honoring God with your worship. We welcome Susan Heeter and Richard Scranton, from the Church of the Redeemer as part of our musician exchange today. The Promise Worship Team is leading worship at Redeemer's service today.

Dinner and Dialog

In honor of Valentine's Day, we're inviting people to an evening of dinner and dialog at the Bells' home on Saturday, February 11, at 6:00 p.m. The dialog will be on what keeps love alive in a relationship? This is for people in the community as well as those in the church. Tell Jackie or Darryl if you are interested.

Membership Renewal

Every two years members of The Promise are invited to remember the significance of membership, and to renew their membership covenant. We encourage you to renew that covenant with God and one another by signing the renewal form in your bulletin.

1,000 Touches

We want to touch our community with the love of God. When you have had an interaction with someone in which you intentionally tried to share God's love, please note it on the poster in the kitchen.

Teacher Needed

We are looking for an additional teacher or two for our Ed Hour ministry. If God may be nudging you about this, please talk with Wendy Gadd, 614-832-9567.

The End?

Message Notes: January 29, 2012

The Lord can use any of us, so be open and ready.

"If you can find even one person who is just and honest, I will not destroy the city" (Jeremiah 5:1).

"The Lord, the God of their ancestors, repeatedly sent his prophets to warn them, for he had compassion on his people and his Temple." (2 Chronicles 36:15)

In 586 BC the Babylonian army broke through the city wall.

God loved them too much to let them continue as they were.

God can't compromise his love or his holiness. They are both essential elements of his nature.

Jeremiah is known as the weeping prophet.

Ezekiel's message was consistently that God was going to defeat and destroy Jerusalem.

God's purpose in this harsh judgment was for everyone to know that he is God.

God restored Israel to their land again after about 70 years in exile.

"David my servant will be their prince forever" (Ezekiel 37:23).

Are we more inclined to seek God's approval or the approval of the people around us?

There is hope even in very bad circumstances.