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Worship Service: 11:00 am

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For The Church

Spiritual Discipline: Confession and Self-Examination

Confession may be good for the soul, but it can be very hard to do. WE are invested in looking like good moral people. After all, appearing good is one way of dealing with the notion that something is wrong with us. We haven't murdered anyone or robbed a bank. Furthermore, when we do wrong we try to fix it and make it better. We can put a great deal of energy into maintaining the image that we are good moral people, but this very appearance of goodness can be a way we defend ourselves against our sin. For when we can't see our sin we have nothing to confess.

The truth is we all sin. Sin is anything that breaks relationships. Jesus is totally realistic about broken relationships. He experienced them. He was put to death by them. Yet Jesus taught that the damage done through sin was not the last word on life. Sin could be confessed. Sin could be forgiven; sinful people could be set free. Confession and self-examination are a desire to surrender my weaknesses and faults to the forgiving love of Christ and intentionally desire and embrace practices that lead to transformation. When I practice self-examination I allow the Holy Spirit to open my heart to see what is actually true about me.

Psalm 139:23-24 says, "Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." Every time we confess how we have missed the mark of God's love and truth, we open ourselves up to the mending work of the cross. Jesus' wounds hold true life-changing power. Through confession and forgiveness, we live into the truth of being God's new creation! The old is gone. The new has come.

In Our Prayers

Thomas Pruitt

Tim Taylor

Pam Aldrich

Dennis Rosenbaum

Crystal Emery (Gloria's mom)

Enrique Lira

Linda Guthrie

Kay Kinnamon

Ryker Berens

Betty Peptone (David's Sister)

Maverick Riegel

Katie Rosenbaum

Clay Mason

Miguel Devore

Helen Coffey

Landon Marks

Upcoming Events

Youth Group [Tonight]

We will have youth group tonight at 7 PM at the church building.

Silver Maple Camp

Early Session starts next Sunday afternoon - ask Zeb if you have questions.

Save the Date:

May 31-June 6 - SMC Early Session

June 7 - Kolton Sizemore Graduation recognition

June 14 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)

June 28 - Send off for Emery's

July 5-July 11 - SMC 1st Session

July 12-July 18 - SMC 2nd Session

July 19-July 25 - SMC 3rd Session

August 5 and 12 - VBS

Birthdays

Gloria Batten - May 25

Helen Coffey - May 26

Hadley Marks - May 27

Zach Marks - May 27

Cheyenne Holmes - May 30

Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Zeb & Jessica Carter

Song Leader: Richard Brensing

Sound System: Zoey Carter

Gathering: #66 – Doxology

Song: #2 – We Praise Thee, O God

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Shepherd's Prayer: Carl Feril

Scripture Reading: Jerry Kinnamon (Ephesians 4:4-6)

Song: #3 – Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Song: #4 – To God Be the Glory

Song: #76 – How Great Thou Art (vs. 1, 3, & 4)

Communion: Tom Turner (James Harmon, JW Like, Chris Mansel)

Song: #359 – I Love the Lord

*Song: #779 – I Love you, Lord

Scripture Reading: Shawn Batten (Ephesians 1:1-14)

Song: #153 – Come Let us Worship and Bow Down

Scripture Reading: Orrin Feril (Ephesians 2:1-10)

Song: #129 – Amazing Grace (vs. 1 and 4)

Scripture Reading: JW Like (Ephesians 3:14-21)

Song: #147 – I Stand Amazed

Scripture Reading: Jayce Feril (Ephesians 4:1-3)

Song: #948 – I am Resolved (vs. 1, 3, & 4)

Song: #15 – Step by Step

Scripture Reading: Chris Mansel (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Song: #47 – Holy, Holy, Holy (vs. 1)

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #53 – Father, I Adore You

Closing Prayer: Gary Hornbaker

* During the final verse of this song, children will be dismissed for Bible Hour.



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