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Bible Class: 10:00 am
Worship Service: 11:00 am

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For The Church

Spiritual Discipline: Silence

It is difficult to find silence in an age of technology and information. Silence challenges our cultural addiction to amusement, words, music, advertising, noise, alarms, and voices. Silence asks for patience and waiting. And both silence and waiting make us uncomfortable. They seem so unproductive. We can't tell if we are doing anything in them. So, when we come upon silence, we fill it. We cram it with something else we can learn or do or achieve.

The discipline of silence is the desire to free myself from the addiction to and distraction of noise so I can be totally present to the Lord; to open myself to God in the place beyond words. Silence is a regenerative practice of attending and listening to God in quiet, without interruption and noise.

We break the silence of travel with an iPod, the silence of evening hours with the TV or computer, the silence of sleep with an alarm clock. Every part of our life is inundated with words – urgent words, random words, trivial words, hurtful words, managing words, religious words and on and on. We need to understand that the world can go on without us for an hour or a day or even longer. We don't need to respond to every word and request that comes our way. The discipline of silence invites us to leave behind the competing demands of our outer world for time alone with God.

In quietness we often notice things we would rather not notice or feel. Pockets of sadness or anger or loneliness or impatience begin to surface. Silence is a time to rest in God. Lean into God, trusting that being with him in silence will loosen your rootedness in the world and plant you by streams of living water.

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)

Katie Rosenbaum
Clay Mason
Miguel Devore
Carl Feril
SMC 1st Session

Upcoming Events

Potluck [Today]

Please join us for our monthly potluck fellowship meal after services today.

Youth Group [Tonight]

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

VBS [August 5 and 12]

Our VBS will be on August 5 and 12 from 6-8 PM this year. There is a sign up sheet to volunteer in the foyer. We will have work times on Sunday, July 26 at 3 PM, Wednesday, July 29 at 6 PM and Monday, August 3 at 6 PM. Please see Zeb or Pam if you have any questions.

Save the Date:

July 12-July 18 - SMC 2nd Session

July 12 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)

July 19-July 25 - SMC 3rd Session

August 5 and 12 - VBS

August 9 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)

Birthdays

Lisa Cornwell - July 6

Lace Holmes - July 7



Worship Order

Welcome Table: Orrin & Meagan Feril

Greeters: Zeborah and Jessica Carter

Song Leader: Stan Aldrich

Sound System: Jayce Feril

Gathering: #2 - We Praise Thee, O God

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: James Harmon (Zechariah 4:6)

Song: #71 - As the Deer

Song: #350 - When My Love to Christ Grows Weak

Communion: Shawn Batten (Jerry Kinnamon, JW Like, Darrel Willinger)

*Song: #792 - My Eyes are Dry

Lesson #1: Zeb Carter

Shepherd's Prayer: Carl Feril

Song: #961 - There Is a Balm in Gilead

Lesson #2: Zeb Carter

Song: #874 - Walking Alone at Eve (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Gary Hornbaker

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

