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Worship Service: 11:00 am

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For The Church

Spiritual Discipline: Spiritual Friendship

Jesus Christ Himself was the model friend. He walked the complicated path of interdependence, both giving and receiving along the way. Jesus was not an independent mover and shaker; He lived in community. He surrounded Himself with twelve chosen companions who shared meals, ministry, work, rest, joys, and struggles. Among the twelve, Jesus drew especially close to Peter, James, and John. He invited them into high points like the Transfiguration and painful moments like Gethsemane. Though He could have experienced these moments alone, Jesus chose to share both the sweet and costly parts of life with others.

The discipline of spiritual friendship is the desire to develop relationships that encourage and challenge us to love God with all our heart, soul, strength, and mind. Spiritual friendship is a covenant relationship in which we can naturally and honestly share our lives with God and with one another. It is grounded in a relationship with God and a commitment to support, encourage, challenge, and pray for each other. Friends are not a dime a dozen. Friendship is different from simply being colleagues, neighbors, relatives, or acquaintances. True friendship requires intentionality and self-giving love. Friends share life together, offering support, counsel, laughter, encouragement, growth, and the gift of knowing that we are uniquely chosen and valued.

Spiritual friendship adds another dimension to this wonderful gift. As friends open their spiritual journeys to one another in the presence of Christ, they step onto holy ground. Spirit connects with spirit. Spiritual friends give themselves to one another in love and practice the biblical “one anothers” together. Like the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, whose love is abundant and overflowing, spiritual friends invite others into shared love and community. Loving another does not leave us with less love to give—it creates more.

In Our Prayers

Pam Aldrich
Crystal Emery (Gloria’s mom)
Linda Guthrie
Betty Peptone (David’s Sister)
Clay Mason

Miguel Devore
Mrs. Rose (Nancy’s Mom)
Natalie Lippholdt
Loree Boyle
Ty Cornwell

Terry Nash (Vanessa’s stepdad)
Don Hornbaker
Kylie Taylor
Helen Coffey
Shae Huffman

Upcoming Events

Youth Group [Tonight]

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

Bible Hour And Ladies Class [Wednesday]

There will be NO ladies class this Wednesday. Wednesday night Bible hour will meet this week at 6 PM.

100th Birthday Party [October 3]

Don Hornbaker is turning 100! Come help him celebrate this big milestone on Saturday, October 3 from 2:00-4:00 PM at the Stafford Church of Christ. Cards can be sent to Don at 258 NW 30th St. St. John, KS 67576

Save the Date:

October 11 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)
October 11-13 - SMC Men's Retreat
November 8 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)
November 13-15 - SMC Fall Teen Retreat

Birthdays

None



Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Tom & Pam Turner

Sound System: Zoey Carter

Song Leader: Shawn Batten

Gathering: #266 - Majesty

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Jerry Kinnamon (Rev. 9:20-21)

Song: #15 - Step by Step

Song: #324 - Alas! And Did My Savior Bleed?

Communion: Tom Turner (James Harmon, Orrin Feril, JW Like)

*Song: #144 - O Worship the King

Lesson 1: Zeb Carter

Shepherd's Prayer: Richard Brensing

Song: #827 - Sweet Hour of Prayer (vs. 1)

Lesson 2: Zeb Carter

Song: #934 - Softy and Tenderly (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Joe Cornwell

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

