

Life has a way of unfolding the integrity of the _____ you’re holding.

John 6:22-42 | ²²On the next day the crowd that remained on the other side of the sea saw that there had been only one boat there, and that Jesus had not entered the boat with His disciples, but that His disciples had gone away alone. ²³Other boats from Tiberias came near the place where they had eaten the bread after the Lord had given thanks. ²⁴So when the crowd saw that Jesus was not there, nor His disciples, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum, seeking Jesus. ²⁵When they found Him on the other side of the sea, they said to Him, “Rabbi, when did You come here?” ²⁶Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking Me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. ²⁷Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on Him God the Father has set His seal.” ²⁸Then they said to Him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” ²⁹Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent.”³⁰So they said to Him, “Then what sign do You do, that we may see and believe You? What work do You perform? ³¹Our fathers ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, ‘He gave them bread from heaven to eat.’” ³²Jesus then said to them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but My Father gives you the true bread from heaven. ³³For the bread of God is He who comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” ³⁴They said to him, “Sir, give us this bread always.” ³⁵Jesus said to them, “I AM the bread of life; whoever comes to Me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in Me shall never thirst. ³⁶But I said to you that you have seen Me and yet do not believe. ³⁷All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and whoever comes to Me I will never cast out. ³⁸For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that I should lose nothing of all that He has given Me, but raise it up on the last day. ⁴⁰For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day.” ⁴¹So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, “I am the bread that came down from heaven.” ⁴²They said, “Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, ‘I have come down from heaven?’”

TURNING ULTERIOR MOTIVES TO ULTIMATE MOTIVES:

_____ is often the feeling that sits on top of the hidden, ulterior motives of heart.

Proverbs 16:2 | All the ways of a person are clean in his own sight, But the LORD examines the motives. [Psalm 78:23-30, 1 Corinthians 10:1-12]

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- 1. **Jesus judges the _____, not just the _____.** (v. 22-27)
- 2. **Self-_____ contaminates good _____.** (v. 28-34)
- 3. **Pure motives are formed by _____ to and _____ Christ's words.** (v. 35-37)
- 4. **God's motives are Christ-centered and other-focused.** (v. 38-40)

1 Corinthians 4:5 | Therefore do not pronounce judgment before the time, before the Lord comes, who will bring to light the things now hidden in darkness and will disclose the purposes of the heart. Then each one will receive his commendation from God.

what's happening

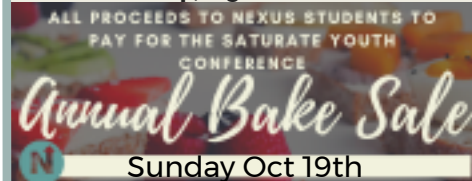
Connect Dish - To- Pass Lunch | Next Sunday, October 5th | 12:30pm

All those who are 60 years old and “better” are welcome to join us for a dish-to-pass lunch, after which we will fill shoeboxes for “Operation Christmas Child”. Please bring a dish-to-pass, and also please remember to bring the items for the shoeboxes that you committed to bring. Register up online or see Peggy Belfield.



BAPTISM | OCTOBER 12TH

Water Baptism is an important next step for anyone who believes in Jesus. Through immersion in water, we follow the lead of Jesus and demonstrate His death as we are lowered into the water and ultimate resurrection to new life as we are raised from the water. We are instructed to be baptized when we believe to publicly declare our belief in Jesus Christ. **If you are ready to take that step, register on our website today!**



SATURATE YOUTH BAKE SALE SUNDAY OCTOBER 19th

Nexus Student Ministry will be hosting a Bake Sale to help raise money towards students attending the Saturate Youth Conference! Please support our youth group by bringing cash and plan on buying some goodies after service. If you'd like to contribute baked goods, please speak with Lou Mead or Andrea Colton or sign up online!

IMAGINE COMMUNITY GARDENS KID'S PUMPKIN DAY | OCTOBER 11TH | 10am-12noon

Imagine Community Gardens will be having a kids pumpkin day on Saturday, October 11th 10am-12noon. Invite the community to come and enjoy painting and festivities at the garden.



ADVENTURE NIGHT FT. CHALLENGER LEARNING CENTER | NOVEMBER. 12TH | \$9

This season at Adventure Kids, we're discovering the names of God. Later in the semester, we'll be learning about Immanuel: God with us. When Jesus was born, the skies were filled with signs and stars pointing to the coming of the Messiah. To celebrate, Adventure Kids will step into a mobile planetarium and experience the wonder of outer space! All students attending this night must **register online**. Parents, we are asking you to cover the cost of \$9 per child, which includes everything they need for the evening. We can't wait to blast off into this unforgettable night!

Lost & Found:

Last call for long-lost treasures! Unclaimed items donated every other Thursday. Please check the coat-room for your items.

LOST SOMETHING?



HOPE CENTER GALA

SAVE THE DATE HOPE CENTER GALA | NOV 21ST

Save the date. On November 21st we will be hosting the first Gala for the Hope Center of Western New York. This gala will be intended to raise funds for the building project. Please save the date and stay tuned to announcements and bulletins on how you can purchase a ticket which will be \$60.

Ways to GIVE

Drop **Envelopes** in the back black boxes in the back of the sanctuary
Text "GIVE" to 716-714-4480

Online - see → Mobile app "MinistryOne" from the App Store!

Give by check online



Give Online Credit



Next Steps for the Hope Center

1. Pray - Pray - Pray!

2. Create a New Non Profit Entity

3. Create Two Teams

4. Work on Business Plan

5. Fundraising Give by cash, check note



Use QR code to give online

welcome.

Sunday, September 28th, 2025 | Freedom Church

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WELCOME GUESTS

LET US KNOW YOU WERE HERE



For the Kids:

*New: Age Groupings & starting locations

Treasures: 12 weeks – 18 months - Nursery

Builders: 19–35 months (up to age 3) - TOTS

Finders: 3 years – Kindergarten - Youth Room

Seekers: 1st – 3rd Grade - Youth Room

Momentum: 4th – 6th Grade - Upstairs Lounge

Check-In Procedures: Begins at 10:30am

- Everyone must **check in** each week.
- Treasures** will receive printed name tags.
- Builders** will receive printed name tags.
- Finders** & **Seekers** will use their permanent weekly name tags and go to the Youth Room.
- Momentum** attendance taken in the lounge.

Pick-Up Locations

- Treasures:** Nursery (Freedom Nursery Room)
- Builders:** Freedom TOTS Room
- Finders:** Youth Room/Youth Sanctuary
- Seekers:** Loft
- Momentum:** Upstairs Lounge

NEW FAMILIES PLEASE CHECK IN AT THE NURSERY STATION

CHURCH STAFF:

Pastor Craig Campbell | Lead Pastor
Peggy Belfield | Seniors Pastor | Ext. 100
Jennie Campbell | Worship Director | Ext. 100
Kerith McDonald | Office Administrator | Ext. 100
Lou Mead | Youth Director | Ext. 201
Michael Peacock | Ministry Assistant | Ext. 206
Curt Waugaman | Ministry Assistant | Ext. 205
Dominique Wroten | Children's Director | Ext. 200

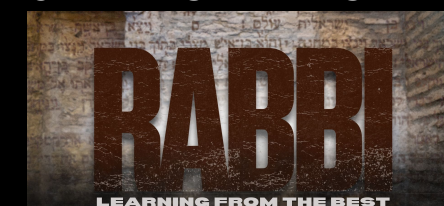
*If you'd like to contact an Elder, please call the church office.

CHURCH ELDERS:

Ron (Doris) Campbell
Jim (Ann) Hood
Bill Nimetz
Mark (Linda) Rathke
Matt (Kerith) McDonald
Jim (Debbie) Randle
Adam (Steph) Schifferle

Reach the Lost.
Disciple the Found.
See Lives Set Free and
Stay Free in Jesus Christ.

Current Sermon Series



Worship

I Know A Name
Resurrection Hope
Nothing But The Blood
Trust In God
Know You Will

Today

MOTION | lower level class | 9:15am-10:30am

This Week

Nexus:

Nexus | 6:45PM

Adventure Kids:

Adventure Kids | -Wednesday | 7pm

Lifegroups:

See website | Lifegroups

Update: Prayer for Israel & America | Every other Friday | begins 10/3/2025 | 6-7pm @ North Campus

Men's Basketball:

Monday 6-9pm - see the church app to sign up

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THE CHURCH OFFICE IS OPEN Mon-Thurs FROM 9AM – 4PM | 716-434-5451 *please ring doorbell or call the church office to be admitted into the building.