

Vital Signs

Last week's offering \$65,469
Weekly budget \$59,997
Sunday worship 1954
Sunday school 1298



Prayer Requests

RECENT DEATHS

• Violet was born to Nathan and Rachel Jones

RECENT DEATHS

• Cindy Prather's mother

RECENT AND UPCOMING SURGERIES

• Lana Smith

• Brenda Sparks

OTHER NEEDS

• Lynn Heusinger's father is under hospice care

• David Worrell is in the hospital

Contacting Your Pastors

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October 6, 2019
Growing What
God Has Given

Growing by
Changing Our
Desires



CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT

Tonight @ 5:00pm

Join us at Faith East for new member testimonies, baptisms, and ministry updates! Also join us for the ordination of Pastors Aaron Birk, Rod Hutton, Stefan Nitzchke, and Greg Wetterlin. New member pictures will be taken in the Faith Resource Center, 4:15 - 4:45PM. Afterwards, join us at the community center for some relaxed family fun.

FCDC Workday

Oct. 19, 9AM- Noon
2314 N. 19th, Lafayette

We'll be doing some demo work and any skill level is welcome. While we have some tools available, if you have any of these, please consider bringing:

- scrapers
- crowbars
- hammers/sledgehammers
- safety glasses
- cordless drills
- shovels

We'll provide water and the "tear-something-apart" opportunity! Direct questions and RSVPs to Lori Walters at lwalters@faithlafayette.org



Our Roots

Faith Church



Faith Christian School



Faith Community Ministries

Faith Biblical Counseling



Children's Ministries

Vision of Hope



Faith Bible Seminary

Student Ministries



College & International Ministries

Adult Ministries



Learn more about these ministries at faithlafayette.org

Children's Ministry

READ: Genesis 37 & 39-50

ASK YOUR CHILD:

- What did Joseph's brothers do to him? *They sold him into slavery.*
- What happened after Joseph was sold into slavery? *He interpreted dreams for Pharaoh and was put in charge.*
- How did God reunite Joseph and his family? *Famine brought them together. Joseph forgave and cared for his family.*

EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE: God uses everything to help us grow. Therefore, we should please Him with every choice.

PRACTICE:

- Trust God when life is hard.
- Forgive when others sin against you.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: Review Genesis 1-50

MEMORIZE FOR September 22 - October 20: "For the word of God is living and active and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing as far as the division of soul and spirit, of both joints and marrow, and able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart."

Hebrews 4:12*

* Preschool verse in bold print

Faith Church's entire sermon library is available on the SermonAudio app. Download @ sermonaudio.com/mobile. Church member ID is "faithlafayette".

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Sundays

Faith East 9:30 & 11:00AM


Faith West 9:30AM

Faith North 11:00AM

Wednesdays - Faith East and Faith North 6:30PM

Thursdays - Faith West 6:30PM

 [faith4twelvestudentministries](https://www.instagram.com/faith4twelvestudentministries)

 [faith412](https://www.facebook.com/faith412)



Adult Bible Fellowships

- 8:00AM SONRISE (215/217)
- FOUNDATIONS (203/205)
- 8:30AM DISCIPLES (FW MPR)
- 9:30AM AMBASSADORS (VOH)
- BEREANS (207/209)
- CAREER (FECC rm 1/2)
- GENERATION (201)
- PEACEMAKERS (MS)
- PROCLAIMERS (202/204)
- YOUNG COUPLES (211/213)
- YOUNG FAMILIES (203/205)
- 11:00AM ENCOURAGERS (202/204)
- ESTUDIO BÍBLICO (NCC)
- FRIENDSHIP (MS)

Faith Groups

Faith Groups promote spiritual growth through meaningful Christian relationships. They encourage spiritual growth through the study of God's Word, being vulnerable with other Christians, group service opportunities, and additional biblical training. They meet throughout the week and are led by various members of Faith Church West.

More information about Adult Bible Fellowships, Faith Groups, and Neighborhood Bible Groups is available online at faithlafayette.org/church/connect and at the welcome desk.

Neighborhood Bible Groups

Neighborhood Bible Groups at the Northend are a place of community that provide a safe place to strengthen one another's faith, encourage one another to good deeds, and to love and serve God and others. The groups meet throughout the week and are led by various members of Faith Church North.

Growing What God Has Given Growth Essentials Growing by Changing Our Desires James 4:1-10

The church was facing diverse trials

James 1:2 - Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials...

These trials included problems in their personal relationships

James 1:19 - This you know, my beloved brethren. But everyone must be quick to hear, slow to speak and slow to anger...

James 1:26 - If anyone thinks himself to be religious, and yet does not bridle his tongue but deceives his own heart, this man's religion is worthless.

James 2:1 - My brethren, do not hold your faith in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ with an attitude of personal favoritism.

James 3:6 - And the tongue is a fire, the very world of iniquity; the tongue is set among our members as that which defiles the entire body, and sets on fire the course of our life, and is set on fire by hell.

James 4:11 - Do not speak against one another, brethren.

James 5:9 - Do not complain, brethren, against one another...

John 17: 22-23 - The glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, just as We are one; I in them and You in Me, that they may be perfected in unity, so that the world may know that You sent Me, and loved them, even as You have loved Me.

3 three exhortations to help us change our desires and preserve unity in our family, church, and neighbor relationships

I. Realize the Cause of Conflict—My _____, "My Life for Me" (4:1-3)

- A. "Quarrels and conflicts" = hostility in relationships. This term can include hostile relationships between nations (i.e. "war" as in KJV), v. 1.
- B. Hostilities in relationships that can in the extreme lead to "murder" v. 2
- C. The hostilities come from your "pleasures" (v. 1, 3), "lust/envy" (v. 2)
- D. We learn from other places of Scripture (Matt 6:21; 15:15-20) those "pleasures in your members" are the motivations of your heart which drive your behavior.

Matthew 6:21 - ...for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

If you desire to study more about the heart, please consider the following resources:

Gospel Treason by Brad Bigney

The Heart of Change video series by Pastor Brent Aucoin (free at www.faithlafayette.org/heart)

II. Be _____ by the Description of Living for My Pleasures—"Spiritual Adultery & Pride" (James 4:4-6)

- A. Spiritual "Adultery" (v. 4-5)

James 4:4-5 - *You adulteresses, do you not know that friendship with the world is hostility toward God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God. Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"?*

B. "Proud" (v. 6)

"God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble."

You have conflict with neighbors because you have conflict with God in your pride and as "spiritual adulterers."

For the one principle of hell is—I am my own. I am my own king and my own subject. I am the centre from which go out my thoughts; I am the object and end of my thoughts; back upon me as the alpha and omega of life, my thoughts return.

My own glory is, and ought to be, my chief care; my ambition, to gather the regards of men to the one centre, myself.

My pleasure is my pleasure.

My kingdom is—as many as I can bring to acknowledge my greatness over them.

My judgment is the faultless rule of things.

My right is—what I desire.

The more I am all in all to myself, the greater I am.

The less I acknowledge debt or obligation to another; the more I close my eyes to the fact that I did not make myself; the more self-sufficing I feel or imagine myself—the greater I am.

I will be free with the freedom that consists in doing whatever I am inclined to do, from whatever quarter may come the inclination. To do my own will so long as I feel anything to be my will, is to be free, is to live. George McDonald (Unspoken Sermons; <http://www.online-literature.com/george-macdonald/unspoken-sermons/30/>)

III. _____ by Embracing the Cure for Conflict—A New Pleasure—"My life for you", "I Am Not My Own" (James 4:7-10)

A. Submitting to God (v. 7)—In submission to God we abandoned the principle of "my life for me"—living for my own hedonistic pleasures

B. Resisting the Devil (v. 7)—The devil is the epitome of "my life for me" and "I am my own." (cf. James 3:14-15)

James 3:14-15 - *But if you have bitter jealousy and selfish ambition in your heart, do not be arrogant and so lie against the truth. This wisdom is not that which comes down from above, but is earthly, natural, demonic.*

C. Drawing near to God (v. 8)—learn the "choreography of Heaven" in the Gospel, "my life for you."

D. Repenting (vv. 8-9)

James 4:8-9 - *...Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded. Be miserable and mourn and weep; let your laughter be turned into mourning and your joy to gloom.*

"My life for yours: it may mean three seconds of my time to redeem some thoughtless bit of self-indulgence on the part of someone else, or it may mean, or did mean, Golgotha, where My Life for Yours was supremely dramatized and entails our eternal joy." George McDonald, *The Night Far Spent*, 129

Life Chain

Life Chain is holding their annual event this afternoon from 2:30-3:30PM. Join fellow pro-life supporters for a time of peaceful protests along Sagamore Pkwy and State St. It is a child-friendly opportunity to silently stand and pray regarding the issue of abortion in our nation. For more information, please contact Jessica Nugent at jnugent75@yahoo.com.

Vehicle Donation

Car Works seeks to provide transportation to those in great need. By donating your vehicle, you could help a family or individual through the support of our program. These vehicles are often repaired and provided at low-cost to those in need. Donations with a higher value are sold to support the mission of our program. Contact Curt Hadley for more information at 765.449.3773 or carworks@faithlafayette.org.

Caleb's Kin

Calling all senior adults to join our monthly fellowship at 10AM on October 9 in the Senior Living Community Clubhouse. In addition to our usual food, fellowship, and spiritual challenge, a representative from ViaQuest will be presenting a "Caregiving 101" seminar. The cost is \$5 for the catered meal, but first time guests eat for free (as do any seniors for whom the cost is a hardship). Questions? Contact Alisha Vegter 765.350.0919 or Roseanna Beecher 765.337.1699.

Intro to Faith

The Introduction to Faith class is in session every Wednesday until October 23, 6:30-8:00PM at Faith West. Intro is designed for people who have questions about Christianity, the Bible, or our church. Sign up online at faithlafayette.org/fci.



LIKE TO SING?

If you can match pitch and have a heart to sing, please join the Faith Church Choir in the Music Suite on Wednesdays, 8:05-9:05PM! We are always looking for singers!

*Must be a member or in the process of becoming a member.