# Vital Signs

Last week's offering \$79,452 Weekly budget \$59,997 Sunday worship 1977 Sunday school 1286



## Prayer Requests

# Contacting Your Pastors

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TO ALL CAMPUSES

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### Faith Church East 8:00AM

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### Faith Church East 11:00AM

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### Faith Church West 9:30AM

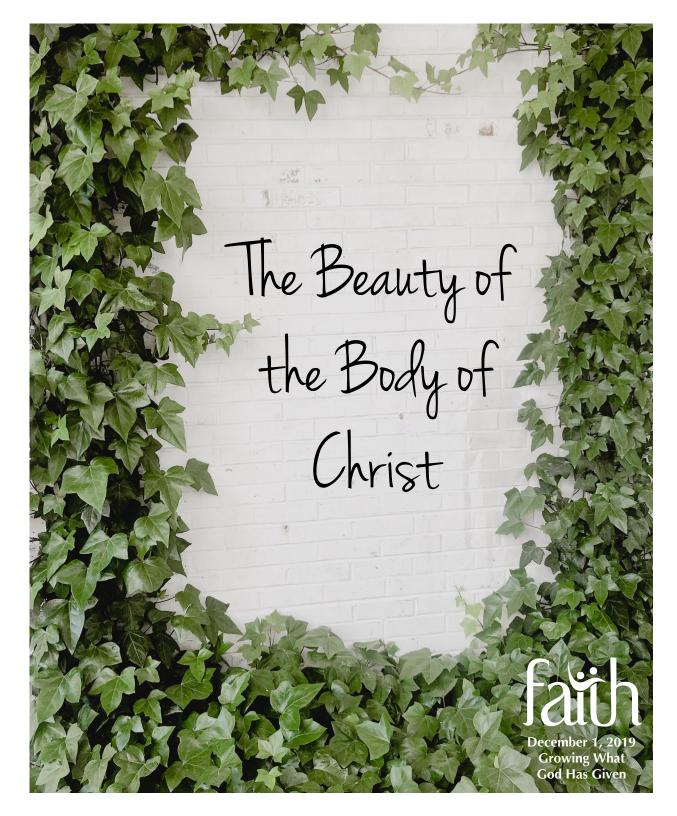
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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1 Church Family Morning

ALL CAMPUSES DURING MORNING SERVICES

DECEMBER 6-8 The Lafayette Living Mativity FATTH FAST 6:30-8:00PM



DECEMBER 13-15 The Lafayette Living Mativity FAITH EAST 6:30-8:00PM

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14 Christmas for Everyone Distribution Day

FATTH FAST 7:45 AM-4:00PM

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15 Christmas Carol Sing

ALL CAMPUSES DURING MORNING SERVICES

Monday, December 23 Winter Break Childcare FAITH EAST 7:00 AM-6:00 PM

Tuesday, December 24 Christmas Eve Candlelight Services

FAITH EAST 5:00PM\* FAITH WEST 6:00PM FATTH NORTH 7:00PM FATTH FAST 8:00PM

\*CHILDREN'S SERVICE AVAILABLE

DECEMBER 26, 27, & 30 Winter Break Childcare FAITH EAST 7:00 AM-6:00 PM

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 Mew Year's Eve Spectacular ALL COMMUNITY CENTERS 5:00-8:00PM

JANUARY 2-3 Winter Break Childcare FAITH EAST 7:00 AM-6:00 PM

JANUARY 5 & 8 Adult, Student, and Children's Ministries Resume





Since 1991, the annual Lafayette Living Nativity has given the community an opportunity to view a dramatic representation of the major events related to the birth of Jesus Christ. The Living Nativity takes place two weekends in December on Friday-Sunday nights (weather permitting) at Faith East.

6:30 - 8:30PM December 6-8 & 13-15

# Children's Ministry

READ: Numbers 13-14 ASK YOUR CHILD:

- Why were spies sent into Canaan? As an opportunity to trust God in the face of challenges.
- What report did the spies bring back? Ten urged Israel to turn back. Two urged Israel to trust God and take the land.
- How was Israel's doubt punished? *Israel wandered in the wilderness until everyone over 20 died.*.

**EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE**: God deserves our faith. Therefore, we should trust Him and obey.

### **PRACTICE**:

- Trust God's promises.
- Obey God's instructions.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: Read Deuteronomy 4-6
MEMORIZE FOR November 3 - December 1: "And we
know that in all things God works for the good of
those who love him, who have been called according
to His purpose. For those God foreknew he also
predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son,
that he might be the firstborn among many brothers
and sisters." Romans 8:28-29\*

\* Preschool verse in bold print

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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

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

### 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.

## 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.

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.

### Stefan Nitzschke

### The Beauty of the Body of Christ

1 Thessalonians 5:18	in everything give thanks; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.
3 reasons Christians I	ove the concept of Christ's body
I. The Incarnation De	emonstrates God's for Us
A. He	among us in His body
	d the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as otten from the father, full of grace and truth.
B. He overcame _	in His body
	[had] no stately form or majesty that we should look upon Him, nor at we should be attracted to Him.
C. He modeled	in His body
though he was	-7 - Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, butf, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.
D. He learned	in His body
<b>Hebrews 5:8 -</b> <i>suffered</i>	Although He was a Son, He learned obedience from the things which He
E. He became our	high priest in His body
	For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our of the control of
II. The Crucifixion D	emonstrates God's upon Us
A. His body was _	for us
	nd when He had taken some bread and given thanks, He broke it and gave it, "This is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me.
B. He bore our	in His body on the cross
	He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to ighteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.
C. His body was _	by His followers
	- After these things Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, but a secret the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus; and Pilate

granted permission. So he came and took away His body. Nicodemus, who had first come to Him by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds weight. So they took the body of Jesus and bound it in linen wrappings with the spices, as is the burial custom of the lews... D. His body was \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead Romans 6:3-5 - Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death. certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection... III. The Church Demonstrates God's \_\_\_\_\_ among Us A. We were all into His body, the Church, in exactly the same way 1 Corinthians 12:13 - For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one spirit... B. Our common baptism into His body is the foundation of our \_\_\_\_\_ 1 Corinthians 12:12 - For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ... **Ephesians 2:16 -** ...and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity... C. Being a body helps us \_\_\_\_\_\_ each person's unique contribution 1 Corinthians 12:14-18 - For the body is not one member, but many. If the foot says, "Because I'm not a hand, I am not part of the body," it is not for this reason any less a part of the body. If the foot says, "Because I am not a hand, I am not a part of the body," it is not for this reason any the less a part of the body. And if the ear says, "Because I am not an eye, I am not part of the body," it is not for this reason any the less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, just as He desired... D. Being a body \_\_\_\_\_ us to provide compassionate, consistent care to every member in need

- **1 Corinthians 12:25-27 -** So that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it...
- **1 Corinthians 10:16-17 -** Is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the blood of Christ? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ? Since there is one bread, we who are many are one body; for we all partake of the one bread.

# New Viving Mativity Servants

If this is your first year serving in the Living Nativity, please plan to attend an informal meeting December 1, 12:30PM at each of the 3 campuses. This brief meeting will help answer some of the frequently asked questions for first-time servants.

# Senior Christmas Trip

Friday, December 6, Caleb's Kin seniors will be taking a bus tour to view the Living Nativity and Christmas lights in the area. The only cost is \$3.00 for gas—we will leave from Meijer behind Dunkin' Donuts at 5:15pm. We can only take 30, so sign up early by contacting Nancy Wood at 765.357.1142. (And, if you sign up but then can't make it, please let us know so we can make your seat available to someone else.)

# Offering Envelopes

Offering envelopes will be out in the main foyer at each campus for pick up on Sunday, December 8.

# Christmas for Everyone

If you have a green bag ready, you can return it to the community center at the campus where you picked it up. Please remember to return your green bag by December 8.

## Senior Christmas Meal

Calling all senior adults to join our monthly fellowship at 10<sub>AM</sub> on Wednesday, 12/11 in the Senior Living Community clubhouse for a delicious Christmas meal (free to all who attend as our Merry Christmas gift to our seniors), a Christmas Carol sing-along with Pastor Trey Garner and his family, and a hilarious "Nasty Santa" Gift Exchange (bring a gag gift or a nice gift under \$5 to exchange). Questions? Contact Alisha Vegter (765.350.0919) or Roseanna Beecher (765.337.1699).

## Valet Parking

While scenery for the Living Nativity is set up around the Faith East campus from November 24 through December 15, we plan to offer limited valet parking on Sunday mornings to seniors citizens and persons with disabilities who have difficulty walking long distances. If you are interested in using this service, please fill out the form online (faithlafayette.org/valet) or at the welcome center.

## Census

The 2020 Census is almost here. When we complete our census form, we will be standing up for the belief that everyone counts. We will help shape our future. We will lift up our community and all the families and people in it. That's why Faith Church is a proud 2020 Census partner. Learn more and get started at 2020census.gov.