July 24, 2022

Prayer Requests

Upcoming Surgeries Rebecca Buono

Caleb's Kin Fellowship Join our monthly fellowship at 10am on Tuesday, August 2, in the Senior Living Clubhouse. Bring a friend, enjoy the fellowship and food, and be blessed as Pastor Stefan Nitzschke shares how the Lord is working in his life and ministry. The cost is \$5 for the catered meal, but first-time guests (and any for whom cost is a hardship) eat for free. Questions? Contact Alisha Vegter (765) 350-0919 or Roseanna Beecher (765) 337-1699.

Women's Ministry Ice Cream Social

Grab your mom, neighbor, co-worker, friend, or daughter (late elementary and up) and join us for the Women's Ministry Ice Cream Social! We'll see you on Sunday, July 31, at 3pm in the Faith East Community Center multi-purpose room. It'll be a great time of fun, fellowship, and ICE CREAM, with a challenge from Sandy Esgar on "Learning to Count." Please sign up online at faithlafayette.org/women or today at the table in the foyer.

Faith Christian School

FCS has completed 25 years, and we are grateful for the support of Faith Church in our strategic expansion plans. School begins the week of August 8, and the Preschools begin the week of August 15. Some K-12 grades are full, but you can still visit www.faithlafayette.org/school to apply online. Faith East and Faith West Preschools have openings as well as staffing positions. Call the school office at (765) 447-2727 for information.

Strategic Ministry Plan
After months of surveys, input, feedback, and plenty of prayer, the 2023-2025 Free to Dream Strategic Ministry Plan and Capital Campaign is now available. Please pick up your copy of the plan at the table in the lobby after today's service.

Christmas Cantata Callout

Calling all singers and orchestra instrument players! Immediately following Church Family Night on August 7, the music ministry will be holding a brief callout in the auditorium for our Christmas Cantata. Please join us if you are interested in serving in the choir or orchestra for the Cantata to learn about the serving commitment and practice schedule.

Children's Ministry

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Pastor Trey and his friends will be uploading encouraging videos at faithlafayette.org/kidsvids.

You can find this week's online children's Sunday School lesson at blogs.faithlafayette.org/faithkids. You can use the ideas below to discuss the lesson as a family.

THE GENTILES RECEIVE THE GOSPEL

Read: Acts 10:1-11:18

Ask Your Child:

- How did God show that He wanted Gentiles to be saved? God gave Peter a vision which revealed that He had eliminated the distinctions between Jews and Gentiles, making the gospel available to all people.
- What happened when Peter preached in Cornelius's home? The Holy Spirit fell upon the Gentile believers.

EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE: GOD OFFERS SALVATION TO ALL PEOPLE. THEREFORE, WE SHOULD BELIEVE AND PROCLAIM THE TRUTH TO OTHERS.

- Rejoice that God has chosen to save both Jews and Gentiles.
- Share the gospel with those around you.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: REVELATION 20:1-15

MEMORIZE FOR JUL 24-AUG 14: "GOD MADE HIM WHO HAD

NO SIN TO BE SIN FOR US, SO THAT IN HIM WE MIGHT BECOME THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD." 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21 (NIV)*

* Preschool verse in bold



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Last Week's Offering - \$76,148.24 Weekly Budget - \$74,195 Last Week Sunday Worship - 1,439

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Growing in Gospel Gratitude Handling Criticism Victory for the Critical Heart

Numbers 21:4-9

"Space-travel really has nothing to do with the matter. To some, God is discoverable everywhere; to others, nowhere. Those who do not find Him on earth are unlikely to find Him in space. But send a saint up in a spaceship and he'll find God in space as he found God on earth. Much depends on the seeing eye." (C.S. Lewis, The Seeing Eye)

"Wilderness is the training place to wean the world's ways out God's people through learning the life of faith in the Word of God to adopt the ways of God" (Pastor Brent's summary of Deut. 8)

4 sights to look at with understanding to gain the victory over the critical soul I. God _____ Through the Trials – Revealing the Nature of Your Heart _____ of a Critical Poisoned Heart A. _____ the whole of the person – "The soul of the people" **Deuteronomy 6:5 -** You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart (innerman) and with all your soul (inner and outer) and with all your might (the resources at your disposal or what you "do stuff" with, i.e. your "strength/ might"). B. _____ in a "short/shallow soul" – impatience C. _____ (without 'seeing') at God's day-to-day provision as "empty/worthless" to Show That We Are Infected with Venomous Poison III. God's Gracious _____ IV. God's Provision for the Poisoned ______ – "Behold My Victory Over Death" **Exodus 17:9-15 -** So Moses said to Joshua, "...Go out, fight against Amalek. Tomorrow I will station myself on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand." ... So it came about when Moses held his hand up, that Israel prevailed, and when he let his hand down, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands were heavy... and Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other. Thus his hands were steady until the sun set. So Joshua overwhelmed Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword...Moses built an altar and named it The Lord is My Banner. _____ – the instrument of death – even the bite of the serpent taken by God, Himself – is turned A. God's __ into God's victory John 3:14-16 - As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up; so that whoever believes will in Him have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life. (cf. John 8:28; 12:32)

B. Man's _____ - "Look" to see (understand) and be healed from the poisonous spirit - not do!