

Welcome to Faith

May 28, 2023

Prayer Requests

RECENT SURGERIES
Jay Casey

Church Family Night

Join us June 4, at 5pm, at Faith East for Church Family Night. New member/update photos will be in Jeremy Vegter's office from 4:15-4:45pm.

Free to Dream Groundbreaking Ceremony

You are invited to a brief groundbreaking ceremony for the Free to Dream major projects on Sunday evening, June 4. The ceremony will begin at approximately 6pm (after a shortened Church Family Night) on the lawn of the Faith East Community Center. We will celebrate starting the new FCS High School Facility, FE Athletic Training Center, FE Church Lobby Renovation, and completion of the Restoration Sawmill & Classroom Facility.

Caleb's Kin Picnic

Senior adults - Join us at 12pm on Tuesday, May 30, for our annual spring picnic at the Senior Living Community Clubhouse. Enjoy a tasty carry-in lunch (please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share; the chicken, drinks and tableware will be provided). Then, get ready to laugh as we enjoy a rousing round of Family Feud! To help us plan for the amount of meat to purchase and the amount of seating needed, please RSVP today, May 28, to Nancy Wood: nl42wood@aol.com; (765) 357-1142.

Caleb's Kin Fellowship

Senior adults - Join us for our monthly fellowship at 10am on Monday, June 5, at the Senior Living Clubhouse for an uplifting time of testimony, song, and fellowship with the teens and leaders of our 4:Twelve Student Ministries group. 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.

Last Week's Offering - \$82,095.51
Weekly Budget - \$74,195
Last Week Sunday Worship - 1,910

Children's Ministry

2^{YR} - 5TH grade

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.

JESUS WALKS ON WATER

READ: Matthew 14:22-33

ASK YOUR CHILD:

- What miracles did Jesus perform in today's lesson? *Jesus walked on water, enabled Peter to do the same, and calmed the storm.*
- Why did the disciples worship Jesus? *Christ's power over nature caused the disciples to recognize in a deeper way that Jesus is God.*

EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE: Jesus is Almighty God. Therefore, we should trust and worship him.

PRACTICE:

- Make Jesus the focus of your life.
- Worship Jesus with humility and passion.
- Trust in Jesus by serving and obeying Him.

PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK: Matthew 16:13-17, 21-27

MEMORIZE FOR APR 30-MAY 28: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins** and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. **1 John 1:8-9** (ESV)*

*Preschool verse in bold

Promotion Sunday

On Sunday, June 4, many of the kids and teens involved in our children's & student ministries will promote to the next level. To learn where your child should go, please visit faithlafayette.org/promotions or use the QR code.



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Hope in Everyday Suffering
The Hope of Grace in Suffering
1 Peter 5:1-14

A path God has provided His church to find blessing and hope in times of suffering

I. God has Called Pastors to Care for the _____ (1-4)

A. Not out of a sense of _____, but with genuine service (1-3)

1 Peter 5:1b-3 - ...witness of the sufferings of Christ, and a partaker also of the glory that is to be revealed...

1 Peter 2:21-24

1 Peter 4:1-2 - Therefore, since Christ has suffered in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same purpose, because he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, so as to live the rest of the time in the flesh no longer for the lusts of men, but for the will of God.

Luke 24:45-48 - Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ would suffer and rise again from the dead the third day, and that repentance for forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in His name to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things."

1 Peter 5:1-2 - ...shepherd the flock of God among you, exercising oversight not under compulsion, but voluntarily, according to the will of God; and not for sordid gain, but with eagerness; nor yet as lording it over those allotted to your charge, but proving to be examples to the flock.

B. Knowing the Chief Shepherd will _____ (4)

1 Peter 5:4 - ...when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the unfading crown of glory.

II. Humbly _____ in the God of Hope (5-9)

1 Peter 5:5 - You younger men, likewise, be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, for God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

A. _____ yourself

1 Peter 5:6 - ...humble yourselves under the mighty hand of God, that He may exalt you at the proper time...

B. _____ our cares on Him

1 Peter 5:6 - ...casting all your anxiety on Him, because He cares for you.

C. _____ in the care of God

Isaiah 40:10-11 - Behold, the Lord God will come with might, with His arm ruling for Him. Behold, His reward is with Him and His recompense before Him. Like a shepherd He will tend His flock, in His arm He will gather the lambs and carry them in His bosom; He will gently lead the nursing ewes.

D. _____ the devil

1 Peter 5:8-9 - Be of sober spirit, be on the alert. Your adversary, the devil, prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. But resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same experiences of suffering are being accomplished by your brethren who are in the world.

Romans 12:1-2 - Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

1 John 2:15-16 - Do not love the world nor the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the boastful pride of life, is not from the Father, but is from the world.

1 Peter 1:13 - Therefore, prepare your minds for action, keep sober in spirit, fix your hope completely on the grace to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 5:5 - ...God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

III. Hope During _____ (10-11)

A. _____ Suffering with eternity in focus

1 Peter 5:10-11 - After you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who called you to His eternal glory in Christ, will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.

1 Peter 5:11 - To Him be dominion forever and ever. Amen.

1 Peter 1:24-25 - For, "All flesh is like grass, And all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, And the flower falls off, But the word of the Lord endures forever." And this is the word which was preached to you.

2 Corinthians 4:17 - For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison.

B. God will _____, confirm, strengthen and establish you

1 Peter 5:10 - ...will Himself perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish you.

C. _____ in the sovereignty of God